NEWSLETTER

Winter Competitions - entry forms are enclosed.

** Entries for the Air Rifle and Pistol leagues close 6th November; late entries can not normally be accepted. The proposal for S.A.R.P.A. (item 7 overleaf) will not affect the running of the leagues.***

A 3-Position rifle competition is added to the programme. It will have three stages each for a half-course (20 shots each prone, standing and kneeling). The first two stages are postal, reducing the field successively to 25 them 10 shooters who will contest a shoulder-to-shoulder final in April.

All the .22 competitions have a formal closing date of 22nd November after which late entries are accepted (up to 1.d.f.s., 14 Jan.) on payment of a small surcharge to cover p. and p.

Shooting Development Officer for Scotland - the post is vacant and will be advertised in the Scotsman and Glasgow Herald during October. The Secretary will supply details and application forms on request.

Team Squads 1985

Dr. Harry Milne has been appointed Chief Coach to the senior squad and Dr. Geoff Webb will expand his Junior group to a Youth (under 25) Squad.

Trials have been held to select those who will undertake the winter training programme. There will be opportunity for additional members to be added to the Senior Squad during next summer season.

For the Youth squad, from which the under-21 team for the 1985 match against Lancashire will also be selected, any aspiring Junior (under 21 on 30/4/85) or Youth (under 25 on 30/9/85) not yet contacted should notify the Secretary of his/her interest.

Grant Aid

Shooters are reminded that it is their personal responsibility to apply for the grant aid towards "training" expenses increasingly available from many District Sports Councils, Maxwell House sponsorship and the Scottish Sports Aid Foundation.

Coaching Courses

- (a) A County Coaches' course in smallbore rifle will be held in February and March, 1985 under the instruction of Dr. G. Webb and two N.S.R.A. National coaches. Each County will be entitled to nominate two candidates. Those who pass the course will qualify as N.S.R.A. County Coaches. The content of all such courses now is 60% general, 20% prone, 10% standing and 10% kneeling. Interested candidates should apply through their County Association.
- (b) A series of courses for Air Weapons <u>Club</u> Instructors/Coaches is planned. Details will be published immediately after the A.G.M.

Deeds of Covenant

Club Treasurers may wish to note that a member has applied successfully to have his club subscription paid by deed of covenant. His club thereby gains more than 40% more income.

Sponsorship

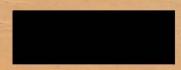
Thanks for support are again due to John Haig & Co. Ltd. for the Earl Haig Scottish Championship, to the N.S.R.A. for the Air Weapons Championship and to D. Crockart & Son, Stirling, for the Scottish 50 Metres (Grand Prix) Championship.

Crockart is offering a "winter special" (contact R. Normand) including:-

- 2 Auschutz 1813P (new) £495 each : 15 Klingner, vol. II £6 each
- 3 BSA Mk.11 (S/H) £100 each 5 BSA Mk.III (S/H) £130 each
- 8 assorted Japanese spotting scopes (new) £40-£55.
- Selection of Gehmann accessories at list less 15%.

Congratulations

Individual successes in 1984 have included Alister Allan, bronze medal, Olympic 3P; John Knowles and Bill Macneil, silver medals, Commonwealth Shooting Federation (European Division) in Prone and Air Rifle respectively; Bill Moonie, Scottish 50 Metres (Grand Prix) Championship again, and Anne Hamilton, Scottish Long-range (Haig) Championship.



3rd October, 1984.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Clubroom of Perth City & County Rifle Club, Rae Place, off Dunkeld Road, Perth (almost opposite Perth Ice Rink) on Sunday, 28th October, 1984, at 2.00 p.m.

- 1. Minutes of 1983 A.G.M.
- 2. Chairman's address
- Secretary's report
- 4. Financial accounts & Treasurer's report
- Team Manager's report
- 6. General business, including:-
 - Review of S.S.R.A. competitions for 1984/85
 - Shooting Development Officer (report)
 - National Range (progress report) (c)
 - (d) Team/Squad selection
 - (e) Coaching courses
- 7. Constitution: Approving the launch of S.A.R.P.A.

Having discharged the instruction of last year's Heeting (minute 9), Council is satisfied with the sub-committee's operational plan and draft constitution for an independent Scottish Air Rifle and Pistol Association to assume responsibility for the development of air weapons target shooting (paper and field) in Scotland and recommends its endorsement by the Meeting (nem. con.). The plan ensures no interruption to present club affiliation or insurance or to the winter competition programme for which entries are now open until 6th November, 1984.

The only amendment required as a consequence of this recommendation is:-

(a) "that clause 4(d) be renumbered 4(c).

There is a rival motion:-

(b) "that clause 4(c) be retained but that the second sentence making it of temporary duration only be deleted."

It has been filed by a member who wishes to argue for the retention within the S.S.R.A. of paper target air rifle shooting.

- Election of Office-Bearers and Council
- 9. Annual Subscription (Council recommends £1 again)
- 10. Presentation of Trophies
 - (i) 50 Metres Championship of Scotland
 - (ii) Association Silver Medal
 - (iii) Engraved Salvers Class A

B

C

D

Junior

- Speedway (Bill Dick Trophy) (iv)
 - (v) Freuchie (Wilkinson Sword)
- (vi) CanDicap
- (vii) Air Rifle Championship of Scotland (Crockart Rosebowl)

W. Moonie, Stirling R.I.

W.T. Vaughan, Selkirk

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Mrs. S. Bennett, Ardeer Rec.

S.J. Dunlop, Watsonians

S. Lockey, Dundee U. A.G. Love, St. Andrews

W.T. Vaughan, Selkirk

I.E. Baird, Bon Accord

N.K. Mackay, Watsonians

W.J. Macneil, Chobham

R. Normand Secretary.

1984/85 Winter Competitions

Association Silver Medal and Engraved Salvers

A two-stage postal competition in five classes, the best ten qualifiers (and equal) in each class contest the Final for the Association Medal. Each class winner receives an inscribed Salver. Each stage is a three-card set.

Classification is based on best 10 of last 12 competition indoor cards:-

Class A - 98.0 up : Class B - 96.0 to 97.9

Class C - 93.0 to 95.9

Class D - below 93.0 : Junior - under 18 on 1st Jan., 1985.

Club Secretary or Captain should verify the average on the Entry Form.

Speedway (for the Bill Dick Memorial Trophy)

A single class competition with a postal qualifying stage of 5 cards (not a set). The best 16 qualifiers meet on a central range to shoot the final shoulder-to-shoulder in a round-robin competition of 5 separate 20 shot matches (i.e. all shoot all). Winner takes the Bill Dick Trophy and there are cash prizes for the first four.

The top eight go automatically into the Scottish team for the indoor postal match against New Zealand. Selection for the remaining seven places is based on current season's performances in the Medal, Speedway qualifying, Daily Record, News of the World and Vandeleur (West of Scotland). Scores at the Perth Open indoor shoot in January/February and in previous New Zealand matches are also considered.

CanDicap

A two-stage, own handicap, postal competition for <u>C & D class shooters</u> only. Qualifying stage has a set of three cards and the final has two cards. Handicap must be not less than 5 per card and the same throughout, and the best 20 and equal twentieth qualify for the final. Winner takes engraved Salver.

Three Position

A three-stage, single class competition. Each stage is a half-course (20 shots per position). The first two stages are postal, indoors; the final will take place in April shoulder-to-shoulder at 50 metres. Top 25 qualify for stage 2; top 10 in stage 2 for the FINAL.

Eligibility - the competitions are open to all Scots. Those who choose to become

Individual Hembers for the annual subscription of £1.00 (to be ratified by A.G.M.)

pay lower competition fees, receive personal copies of Newsletters and may vote at General Heetings. Others enter as "Club" members.

1984/85 Entry Form

Name:		Club:								
Address:			Post Code:							
Date of Birth (if under 18 on 1st Jan., 85)										
		(A)	or	(B)						
	Tick	Individual Members		Other Scots						
1. S.S.R.A. Individual Membership		£1.00								
2. Medal & Salvers(Avge)		0.70	Entries after	£1.00						
(Verified)	لـــا		22nd November, 1984							
3. Speedway		0.70	carry a late entry fee	1.00						
4. CanDicap		0.50	of 20p: accepted up to	0.80						
(declared handicapper card)			the closing date for							
5. 3-Position		1.00	shooting (14 Jan 85)	1.30						
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Association Stickers 30 pence each (send s.a.e. with orders for less than 10).
Return to R. Normand,

Air Weapons

Winter Programme 1984/85

Five Individual Leagues will again be run this winter:-

- (A) Air Rifle .177 10 metres
- (B) Air Rifle .177 6 yards
- (C) Air Rifle .177 or .22 6 yards recoilling weapons only
- (D) Air Pistol .177 10 metres
- (E) Air Pistol .177 6 yards

Competitors can expect 14 to 18 matches in five match periods between mid November and mid April. The 10 metre leagues are 20 shot matches and the 6 yard leagues 10 shots per round. League winners each receive an Association spoon.

The 6 yard shooting is split to cater for those competitors using weapons which are not recoilless. If there is any doubt as to whether a rifle is recoilless please contact R. Normand.

The competition calibre of .177" will apply strictly for (A), (B), (D) & (E) above. Category (C) (6 yards, recoilling rifle) will accept .177" or .22" and the outward gauge will be used gauging inwards to score all shot holes in this league. A shooter buying a new rifle should stick to .177 calibre. Peep sights are permitted but not telescopic. Pump guns are barred.

The targets to be used are the U.I.T. 10 metre pattern and the "National" 6 yards pattern (scoring rings at the same interval as in 10 metres). Currently approved targets are by N.S.R.A. and Field Sports Scotland. Full details of shooting and witnessing regulations will be issued with the competition stickers.

Handicapping will again be used in the 6 yard leagues.

Eligibility - the leagues are open to all Scots. If you choose to become an Individual member of the Association for the modest fee of £1, you pay lower competition fees, receive personal copies of Newsletters and have a vote at General Meetings - use column (a); if not, use column (b).

Please note entries close on 6th NOVEMBER, 1984 - NO LATE ENTRIES!!

R. Normand Secretary.

Entry Form - 1984/85 A	ir Weapons	Leagues -	close 6th	NOVEMBER,	1984.					
Name: Club:										
Address:			(a)							
	**Cu	rrent	Individual	or	(b) Other					
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S.S.R.A. Individual Membership				£1.00	-					
(A) Air Rifle	10 metres	()		1.20		£1.50				
(B) Air Rifle recoilless	6 yards	()		1.20		1.50				
(C) Air Rifle recoilling weapons only*	6 yards	()		1.20		1.50				
(D) Air Pistol	10 metres	()		1.20		1.50				
(E) Air Pistol	6 yards	()		1.20		1.50				
* Declare weapon to be used			-							
** Current averages are to be b			3		£					

(10 shots each). Where there have been insufficient competition cards to apply this rule, the Club Secretary/Captain should enter the three best known 10 shot scores.

Return to R. Normand,

with cash.