SCOTTISH SMALL-BORE RIFLE ASSOCIATION MAIL SHOT FEBRUARY 1991

Hello and welcome to my first newsletter as Secretary. Yes, shooters, you have a new editor and he wants to hear from you. So let me know what's happening in your part of the world and I promise not to keep it to myself.

Glasgow Rail have been in touch. They are desperately trying to find one of their many trophies. "The Daily Express Trophy" was last seen in 1980. It is a silver cup with two handles, and measures about 16" across the handles and has a 10"diameter rim. The cup's name and "Presented To The Glasgow Railwaymen's Rifle Club.1935" is engraved on the side. Anyone seen it?

BBC RADIO SCOTLAND have also been in touch and, as soon as I get back to them, you can tune in to "OUT OF DOORS" at (wait for it) 7.30-8.00 A.M. on Saturday. Hopefully they will include something of interest to us e.g. weather conditions for outdoor competitions.

Even the NSRA has been in touch. SCOTTISH SMALL-BORE RIFLE MEETING 1992: They would welcome, on or before 16 March, bids for venue with

- Confirmation that a local Organising Committee would be available to assist with hosting the meeting in a particular area/region
- Outline proposals for the range location within that area/region with an indication if Military Approval has been given in principle.

Replies to D.KING, SECRETARY NSRA.

<u>DENWOOD</u>: The refurbishment is progressing well, but there is still a lot of cash to be found. So if you haven't already done so, why don't you help yourself by helping them.

WHAT IS YOUR COUNCIL UP TO?

Our illustrious chairman is endeavouring to price SSRA jerseys and other sundries. We can only supply on a demand basis so if you want a jersey tell us size, colour and quantity that you're interested in and we'll see what we can do. The more orders, the less it's likely to cost.

Available at present the Association has:

NAVY BLUE LAMBSWOOL SWEATERS(SMALL ONLY)	
WITH ASSOCIATION LOGO EMBROIDERED	£20.00
1 FAWN & 1 NAVY SWEATER (MEDIUM)	
TIES	£ 6.00
SWEATSHIRTS(ROYAL BLUE WITH WHITE LOGO	£10.00
BADGES:WIRE	£ 7.00
CLOTH	£ 3.50
ACRYLIC CENTRES	£ 0.50
1"	£ 1.00
VINYL STICKERS:4" & 1"	£ 0.50
PAPER KNIVES	£ 3.50
KEY FOBS:LEATHER	£ 1.00
METAL	£ 1.50

These items will generally be on display at Grand Prix and the Scottish meetings. Those who do not attend these events can obtain any of the above items by post. If anyone has ideas for any other items they would like us to provide please inform our treasurer and we'll see what can be done.

Any orders or requests should be sent to

A charge will be made to cover the cost of postage on bulkier items.

Sinclair Bruce is still increasing his list of contacts away from home. So if you are attending a competition outside Scotland he may have a local contact of use to you. Alternatively, if you have been

away shooting somewhere and found someone to be of particular help, why not let us know? Then we can all benefit.

Shirley Smith tells me that we have budgeted to <u>assist</u> up to 2 people to attend a Coach Educator's Course. Each application will be assessed individually and we would expect some return of service at our Squad Training sessions. Please write to Shirley if you're interested. Some assistance may also be available to those attending NSRA approved meetings outside Scotland. Bids should, nay must, be processed well before the meeting you intend to attend. Again, each case will be assessed individually and the treasurer's decision will be final.

Here's a list of other things that we do. Far from comprehensive I might add, but it may well interest you.

a.GRAND PRIX CO-ORDINATOR:GAVIN LEMON
b.STSF DELEGATES:CdeJ, CWC OGLE, S SMITH
c.DRUGS LIAISON OFFICER:PW OATLEY
d.ULSTER TEAM MANAGER/ORGANISER:CdeJ
e.NEWSLETTER EDITOR :NB BAKER
f.SCORERS: (i)MATCHPLAY - BILL HAMILTON
(ii)SPEEDWAY/MEDAL/CANDICAP - CdeJ
(iii)SPEEDWAY A&B FINAL - PW OATLEY & J WARD
(iv)SPEEDWAY C&D FINAL - WT VAUGHAN & J WARD
(v)3P QUALIFIER - ANNE HAMILTON

(vi)SUMMER MATCHPLAY - AJ OLIPHANT
g.MATCH & MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:ANNE HAMILTON
h.MEDAL/TROPHY ORGANISER:DAM McINTOSH
i.CALENDAR ORGANISER:WT VAUGHAN
j.FINANCE & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:AS BRUCE, CdcJ, J WARD
k.TRAINING PROGRAM ORGANISER:DAM McINTOSH
l.SCOTTISH SHOOTING LIAISON COMMITTEE REP:CWC OGLE
m.EUROPEAN COMPETITION CO-ORDINATOR:DAM McINTOSH
n.UK COMPETITION CO-ORDINATOR:AS BRUCE

You will have noticed some names there who are not actually on Council. May we take this opportunity to thank those individuals once again for their help. It is much appreciated - HONEST!

We have also selected a team for DORTMUND. This is an ideal opportunity to give some of our shooters much needed experience on the international circuit. And before you start asking why we are wasting your membership fees on a "jolly", we are not. This is a serious trip and those involved will be making a contribution to their own expenses and we are approaching other official bodies to see if we can keep costs to a minimum. At present the squad includes:

WF HAMILTON WHJ MITCHELL WA MURRAY
G WINCH I SHANKS R SELLAR
DAM MCINTOSH LR GRAHAM(JUNIOR)

o.TEAM ADMINISTRATOR:AJ OLIPHANT

This may well change depending on individual circumstances. GOOD LUCK! to those who go.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection is by committee comprising Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary, AJ Dick, AS Bruce.

A form is available from AS Bruce, if you believe you have some competition scores worthy of consideration.

HILSTER GAMES

A team of 8 prone and 3 3P (usually will also shoot prone) total of 8 plus team manager will be selected by the beginning of May. Will have to be based on last year's ratings due to lack of recent outdoor scores. This does not prevent any recent outdoor scores being considered. Accommodation will be paid but travel at own cost.

NEW ZEALAND MATCH

Speedway results and other relevant scores will be considered for the 15 places plus 2 reserves.

ARMY MATCH

Considered a training match 50% of team will be selected from the most recent GP results and other matches; 50% will be chosen to give experience.

MINIGAMES

Unfortunately the SSRA have insufficient funds to subsidise individuals for this event (subject to STSF funding).

Venue is Jersey and GP scores plus finance will be the deciding factors.

FUNDRAISING

Much the same as last year except for the 200 CLUB. From the end of October 1991 the 200 CLUB will be the 100 CLUB and the method of awarding the month's winnings will change. All 100 numbers will go in the hat every month. If the number drawn is not "owned" then the winnings from that month will be carried over and added to the following month's winnings. This increases the likely-hood of a larger prize at no extra cost to the participants (currently 47 numbers are allocated in the 200 CLUB). The monthly prize will remain at 60% of the income from that month.

Application forms available from AS Bruce.

TOM AND GLADYS COLVIN

As you may well know they are retiring after many years of service to shooting. I know that some of you are intending to show your appreciation for all this help by arranging a local collection for a retirement gift. This has been taken to heart by some and we can now tell you that a national (i.e.Scottish) collection is to be organised. You may decide to pool your collection with everyone else and help provide one large fund or you may not. This is a personal decision. However, if you agree with me that a gift from all the shooters of Scotland, and this does not only mean SSRA members, is a good idea then send your donation to Bob Aitken, Chairman STSF,

If you know of anyone who is not a member of the SSRA who might wish to contribute then let them know how. The presentation will hopefully take place at the Scottish this year.

TRAINING SQUAD

Dates so far as follows:

PRONE 9 MARCH 20 APRIL

3P SENIOR 14 APRIL

Individuals should be hearing from DAM McIntosh soon.

A NEW COMPETITION has been introduced to start the outdoor season with a bang, if you'll excuse the pun. See the enclosed entry form for details.

SSRA CALENDER 1991

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