



## Scottish Target Shooting

The governing body for all forms of target shooting in Scotland

# Snapshot: *December 2020*

The monthly **eNewsletter** from STS

## Shooting News

### **STS Membership for 2021 Now Available!**

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*STS membership for 2021 is now available for clubs and individuals wishing to take out membership with STS for 2021. [Prices and benefits can be found on our website here.](#) Members set up for Direct Debit should have received a notification in the last 24-48 hours informing them that this will be taken at the end of this month and be automatically renewed. Clubs are also reminded about our Club Reward Scheme which can provide financial benefits to clubs. [Find out more on our website here.](#)*

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## STS Updates Return to Shooting Guidance

Since the initial launch of the latest guidance, taking into account the Scottish Government's introduction of Protection Levels, STS has made some adjustments to its guidance. The key areas updated include:

- Page 10 - A new section has been added here called 'School Clubs' to clarify that clubs operating out of local authority schools must follow guidance relating to education rather than sport and physical activity. Private schools will have their own arrangements in place so clubs operating out of these should consult with the school to ensure the activity can be in line with the guidance they have in place.
- Page 22 - The guidance under the Travel heading in the 5 Protection Levels section has been updated.

[See and download the latest guidance from the homepage on the STS website](#)

## Inquiry into the Impact COVID-19 Restrictions on Sports Clubs

The Scottish Parliament's Health and Sport Committee has launched an inquiry into the impact COVID-19 restrictions on sports clubs and leisure venues have had on local communities across Scotland.

The Committee's inquiry is seeking to quantify the various societal benefits that sporting clubs and leisure venues provide their communities. They are asking sport and leisure organisations what support they require to ensure these community services can be maintained.

The survey – which is aimed at clubs rather than individuals - should take no more than 6-7 minutes to complete and closes on **7th December** so we would urge our Clubs to submit a response quickly. [Take the Survey.](#)

## Team GB.com Publishes 'Dear Seonaid' Article

The Team GB website have today published the latest in their new series of articles where athletes write a letter a point in history of their younger selves. In this article, Seonaid writes a letter to her 17-year-old self just months after the diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis, when life was full of uncertainty and doubt. It's a letter full of lessons and candid reflections on one of the moments that made her who she is today and well worth a read. [Read Full Article.](#)

## Do You Want to Join Our New Club Steering Group?

STS is looking to put together a club steering group to help in ensuring the services we deliver for clubs are fit for purpose. The group will contribute through meetings and emails to help evaluate existing services, as well as steering the development of new services to ensure they meet the needs of our members. We are looking for volunteers from clubs across a range of different disciplines to ensure services meet the needs of the majority of clubs. If you are interested in volunteering, please email: [admin@scottishtargetshooting.co.uk](mailto:admin@scottishtargetshooting.co.uk)

## STS Events

### All STS Events Have Now Been **Cancelled Until January 2021!**

STS has taken the difficult decision to cancel all physical competitions for the rest of 2020 so clubs can focus on re-opening. We will continue planning for competitions so we are ready to restart them when it is safe to do so. We will be reviewing this position regularly, prioritising shooter safety.

## COVID-19 Club Support

### Guidance

Social distancing and the phased return to activity will have a number of grey areas. We will look to provide members with clear guidance, tailored to the shooting community.

### Online Training

If your club has training needs that we can help to deliver online, let us know by completing our education survey.

[Complete Our Education Survey](#)

### Funding

Whether it's through employing staff or facility payments, even when closed, your club may still be incurring costs. We've provided a link to advice, support and grants prepared by **sportscotland**. [Link to Funding Support](#)

### Police Scotland Liaison

If your club or members have questions about what to do with their firearms or air guns during this time, we can help get answers to your questions.

## Club COVID Officers

### E-Learning Module

**sportscotland** has developed an online module for supporting Club COVID-19 Officers. This module is free of charge, available online and should take about 30 mins to complete. It is recommended that all COVID officers across all sports completed it. [Take the sportscotland Club COVID Officer E-Learning Module](#)

## Find Out More About STS

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**COVID-19 Notice** - The STS Office is closed but our team are working from home. They can be reached directly via email and the office phone number which will redirect you - dial 0131 467 2489 and choose the option relating to your enquiry.

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## Scottish Target Shooting

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