



Scottish Target Shooting

The governing body for all forms of target shooting in Scotland

Snapshot: March 2021

The monthly **eNewsletter** from STS

Shooting News

STS 2021 AGM

STS is pleased to confirm that this year's AGM will be held on Saturday 24 April. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions in place, for the second year running STS will be delivering its AGM online. The agenda, motions and paperwork for the annual general meeting will be **made available at the start of April** to all STS individual and club members, along with the process for registering attendance and submitting proxy votes.

Call for Nominations for Vacant Roles on STS Board

Are you interested in serving on the STS Board or know someone who is? STS currently has three vacancies available on its Board:

- AIR AMG Chair
- Business Vice Chair
- Coaching & Officials Director

The Air AMG Chair role is an elected role that must come from within the membership and be elected by the membership. The other two director roles are open for members and non-members so we can find the best person for the role via an informal interview process.

In all cases, applying for these roles can be done through a simple online application form. To find out more about each role and how to apply, <u>visit the Vacancies page on the STS website</u>.

COVID-19: First Minister's **Statement on 23 February**

On 23 February the First Minister provided the Scottish Parliament with an update on COVID-19 and related restrictions. The statement set out indicative dates to return to a system of levels from the last week of April. We wanted to make members aware of the key points, but to note that these dates are all subject to there not being any further setbacks or outbreaks. *Read the full article on the STS website*.

Could Your Club Save Money Through the STS Club Reward Scheme?

We are asking our individual members and club secretaries to think seriously about the STS Club Reward Scheme because it will likely save your club money but also all individual memberships will receive a £5 discount.

The Scheme is designed to reward clubs that sign up 90% or more of their active members. Rewards from signing up can range from free Club and Club Plus membership, to getting money back for the club. Currently, a number of clubs have signed up and each have made big savings so ask your club to get in touch and we can work out what it would mean for them! *Find out more on our website here*.

Nominations for the 2021 Bob Aitken Service to Shooting Award Close on 31 March

STS recognises the fantastic contribution Bob Aitken made to the sport of Target Shooting in both Scotland and further afield at performance and club level. This award recognises those like Bob who have done so much for the sport, no matter what level or discipline, presented each year to a deserving recipient. We are now calling for nominations for our presentation of the award in 2021. More information and the form for making a nomination can be found by visiting the Bob Aitken Service to Shooting Award page on the STS website.

STS Events

All STS Events Have Now Been Cancelled Until May 2021!

As a result of the latest set of Scottish Government announcements, STS has taken the difficult decision to cancel all physical competitions until the start of May 2021 including but not limited to:

- All remaining 10m Winter Grand Prixes for Pistol and Rifle for the 2020-21 season
- 2021 Scottish 10m Air Rifle & Air Pistol Championships
- 2021 All Ranges Competition

COVID-19 Club Support

Athlete Awareness Tool

In partnership with the Scottish FA, sportscotland have developed a **COVID-19** awareness tool. This tool highlights the responsibility we all have in keeping each other safe within sport during the pandemic, improving the understanding of what we can all do before, during and after sport and physical activity to protect and limit the spread of COVID-19.

STS recommends that clubs share this tool with their members so that all over the age of 13 use this tool if they or their children are participating in sport or physical activity training, competitions or other events.

Guidance

Guidance is being updated regularly and topics such as social distancing and the phased return to activity have a number of grey areas. We will look to provide members with clear guidance, tailored to the shooting community as best as we can, linking in to other partners in the shooting community (e.g. SCTA, NSRA etc) to be as consistent as possible. The latest advice can be found on the STS website homepage.

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 **sport**scotland. <u>Link to Funding Support</u>

Club AGMs

We are well into AGM season so if your club needs help holding your club AGM online, STS can provide advice, access and admin support to help. Contact us to find out more.

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. <u>Take the sportscotland Club COVID Officer E-Learning Module</u>

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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