

Snapshot: March 2022

The monthly **eNewsletter** from STS

Shooting News

STS 2022 AGM Call for Nominations

STS will be holding its AGM at 13.00 on Saturday 23 April. Although restrictions around COVID-19 have eased since our last AGM, the Board are of the opinion that for the safety of all concerned, the meeting should once again be held online.

At the 2022 AGM, the Sports Vice Chair position is up for election. A description for this role, along with a link to the nomination form, can be found <u>here</u>.

It means we 3 positions in total that are vacant that we would like to remind members about:

- Sports Vice Chair
- Business Vice Chair
- Field Target Airgun AMG Chair

All nominations and motions that members wish to submit for the 2022 AGM must be submitted by 23.45 on Thursday 31 March 2022. Nominations must be made using the online form. Motions are to be emailed to admin@scottishtargetshooting.co.uk by the same deadline.

STS Wants Our Members' Views

It is nearly 4 years since we launched our 2019-27 Strategic Plan, so we wanted to take stock and review what progress we're making. As part of that, we want the views of our members to see if their priorities have changed from 4 years ago, if they feel STS is heading in the right direction and what our members feel our priorities should be for the next 4 years. The survey can be completed anonymously.

<u>Click here for the survey</u> - it will close on 17 April 2022.

Data from the survey will be shared with the STS Board and results shared with the wider STS membership and sportscotland.

STS Welcomes Back Scottish Air Championships

STS was pleased to once again hold the Scottish Air Championships on 12-13 March after a short hiatus due to COVID. It was fantastic to see so many athletes from across the UK travel to Napier University in a welcome return to one of our key annual events. There was even a chance to see Olympic athlete Seonaid McIntosh in action on the range on both days.

There was some tremendous performances by a number of athletes happy to back shooting but the two day event would not have been possible without an array of hard working volunteers and officials so a huge thanks to all of them from everyone at STS.

A full report is being prepared but in the meantime, the result can be *viewed here*.

Alloa & District RC Confirm Summer Competitions

Alloa & District Rifle Club have confirmed the details of the club's summer competitions to be held at the Tullygarth Rifle Range in Clackmannan:

- Alloa Double Dewar 28/29 May 2022
- English Match (60 shots at 50m) 2/3 July 2022
- Double Dewar 27/28 August 2022

For more details and entry forms, contact:

Willie McAulay, 07863 906135, <u>mcaulay8580@btinternet.com</u>, or Billy Crawford, 07796 491149, <u>billyhcrawford@sky.com</u>.

Get Your Nominations in for the 2022 Bob Aitken Service to Shooting Award

Following the sad passing of Bob Aitken in October 2016, Scottish Target Shooting recognise the fantastic contribution Bob made to the sport of Target Shooting in both Scotland and further afield through this award which is designed to recognise people who have served the sport over a number of years in so many ways, just as Bob did. **We are now calling for nominations for our presentation of the award in 2022.**

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.

CSF(ED) Wales 2022 Expression of Interest

For those not yet aware, Wales have announced that they will host a Commonwealth Shooting Federation (European Division) (otherwise known as CSFED) competition in September 2022. The shooting programme is extensive and STS is seeking expressions of interest from athletes with a desire to be considered for selection in the events listed not currently supported by the performance programme. For more information, <u>see our full article</u>.

Lesley Stewart Wins Perth & Kinross Award

Congratulations to Lesley Stewart for winning the Disability Sports Personality of the Year Award at the 2022 Perth and Kinross Sports Awards. The award was presented to Lesley by Ian Hutton, Live Active Leisure, Wellbeing Manager.

Alloa & District Rifle Club's Work in the Community Helps with New Roof

Alloa & District Rifle Club are in need of a new roof at their indoor range but in the last few months the club have had some exciting news - they have been able to secure half the funding for this work from the local council from their Local Community Planning Budget. This is great news for the club who were helped in their application by the amount of work they do in the community helping different groups.

A pro-active club in the community, Alloa & District RC work with various Scout groups as well as sports development and active schools in Clackmannanshire. In addition, the club works hard to be inclusive and welcoming to all, working with athletes with a disability, including actively supporting the training of athletes through the Dwarf Sports Association UK to help prepare Scottish athletes. The club was even running sessions at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Spinal Injury Unit until recently, helping introduce patients to the sport of shooting.

STS salutes Alloa & District RC for the work they do and would recommend that other clubs see the good example they set and how it can benefit them in the long term.

STS Events

STS Confirmed Events for 2022

STS is pleased to confirm the following competitions and events. Please note that due to safety measures with regards to COVID-19, the format and/or squadding sizes may be different to previous iterations of these events - please refer to the information for each event to see what changes have been made:

- 30 April 2022 50m 3P GP1 (Denwood)
- 1 May 2022 50m Prone GP1 (Denwood)
- 28 May 2022 50m 3P GP2 (Denwood)
- 29 May 2022 50m Prone GP2 (Denwood)
- 18 June 2022 50m 3P GP3 (Denwood)
- 9-10 July 2022 50m Scottish Rifle Championships (Denwood)
- 27 August 2022 50m 3P GP4 (Denwood)

- 28 August 2022 50m Prone GP2 (Denwood)
- 3 September 2022 50m 3P GP5 (Denwood)
- 4 September 2022 50m Prone GP5 (Denwood)

The STS Events committee continues to meet regularly to review the events programme and is currently finalising entry details for these events. We are also looking at finalising entry forms for the 2022 Scottish Open (full bore), Scottish Long Range (full bore), Scottish GR Championships (gallery rifle) and Colmsliehill competitions (pistol).

If you want to receive details of our various shooting events, please update your member profile to make sure there is a tick next to each discipline you want to hear from us about.

STS Event Results in 2021-22

Please see below links to the results (and, where available, reports) from our most recent events:

- 2 October 2021 <u>10m Air Pistol GP 1</u>
- 3 October 2021 <u>10m Air Rifle GP 1</u>
- 13 November 2021 <u>10m Air Pistol GP 2</u>
- 14 November 2021 <u>10m Air Rifle GP 2</u>
- 11 December 2021 <u>10m Air Pistol GP 3</u>
- 12 December 2021 <u>10m Air Rifle GP 3</u>
- 8 January 2022 <u>10m Air Rifle GP 4</u>
- 9 January 2022 <u>10m Air Pistol GP 4</u>
- 12 February 2022 <u>10m Air Rifle GP 5</u>
- 13 February 2022 <u>10m Air Pistol GP 5</u>
- 12-13 March 2022 Scottish 10m Air Championships 2022

For any errors in the reports or questions about our events, please contact events@scottishtargetshooting.co.uk

COVID-19 Club Support

Athlete Awareness Tool

sportscotland have developed a **COVID-19 awareness tool** to highlight 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 to spread awareness. <u>Visit</u> the awareness tool.

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 <u>STS</u> 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. <u>*Complete Our</u></u><u><i>Education Survey*</u></u>

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

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. <u>Contact STS</u>

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

Find Out More **About STS**

STS Vacancies

STS currently has the following vacancies:

- Sports Vice Chair closing date 31 March
- Business Vice Chair closing date 31 March
- Field Target Airgun AMG Chair closing date 31 March

Information about the role, who to speak to for more information and how to apply can all be found using the links above. To see all our vacancies, please visit our <u>vacancies page on the STS website</u>.

STS Members Insurance Microsite

STS has been working with our insurance broker, **Bluefin Sport**, to create the <u>STS Insurance Microsite provided by Bluefin Sport</u>. The microsite looks to cover (please note that this microsite is operated by Bluefin Sport):

- Main insurance queries
- Copies of all policies (except for the Club Plus insurance letter)
- Details on cover for COVID-19
- Information on how to extend the cover for your club
- Contacts for making a claim

Contact STS

Facebook: <u>Scottish Target Shooting</u> | Twitter: <u>@ScotTargetShoot</u> | Website: <u>www.scottishtargetshooting.co.uk</u> Call Us: **0131 467 2489** | Address: <u>Caledonia House, 1 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9DQ</u>

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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