



Scottish Target Shooting

The governing body for all forms of target shooting in Scotland

Snapshot: August 2023

The monthly **eNewsletter** from STS

Shooting News

STS Responds to Key Shooting Consultations

The following key consultations, with an impact on the shooting community, closed on 23 August:

Home Office Firearms Licensing Consultation

The Home Office published on 29 June a consultation which closed on 23 August. It covered a number of recommendations it has received on suggested changes to firearms licensing. The consultation seeks views on recommendations made to the UK Government by a number of committees.

Scottish Government Permitted Development Rights Review Consultation

A consultation on Permitted Development Rights was published by the Scottish Government on the 31 May which closed on 23 August. It contained a section that covers Temporary Use of Land: Shooting Ranges. Section 6.2 and Question 30 of the consultation relate to the particular issue of 'Shooting Ranges'.

In summary, the Scottish Government were seeking views on proposals to remove an exemption which allows temporary use of land for up to 28 days per calendar year, without planning permission, from applying to shooting ranges for fixed targets.

[See the responses to both consultations provided by STS](#)

STS Recruiting for Performance Roles

STS is recruiting for a few positions relating to the running of its Performance Programme over the coming months:

PERFORMANCE & PATHWAYS MANAGER (MATERNITY COVER)

The Performance and Pathways Manager role is crucial in developing the Performance Programme to support Scotland's current generation of talented athletes and building pathways to identify and develop talent for the future. STS is looking for someone to cover this role for a minimum of 6 months for when the current post holder goes on maternity leave.

[If you're interested and want to find out more, check out the link to the advert open until 12pm on 30 September 2023](#)

PISTOL, RIFLE & SHOTGUN BREAKTHROUGH COACHES

STS has the exciting opportunity of driving the Performance Programme for shooting in Scotland. We are looking to support people already coaching in clubs to take their coaching to the next level. Breakthrough coaches will help identify talented individuals and support squads from the STS performance programme. We are looking to support up to two candidates per discipline.

[If you're interested in one of these roles and want to find out more, check out the links to the adverts open until 12pm on 30 September 2023](#)

Scottish TR Athletes Compete at 154th Imperial Meeting

The NRA hosted its 154th Imperial Meeting at Bisley in July and as usual had competitions for a wide variety of shooting disciplines. As entry numbers are now returning to pre-COVID levels, the Scots that made the journey down faced tough opposition in both the individual and team competitions. [Read the report on the Target Rifle competitions](#)

2023 Bisley Meeting **Scottish Rifle Report**

Scottish rifle shooters descended on Bisley for the 2023 Bisley Meeting. The event draws all the top shooters, with X-class loaded with internationalists, including USA star Mark del Cotto. Scotland sent down a number of shooters both young and old, experienced and new to the competition to compete for individual honours but also in the Home Counties International. [Read the report on the STS website to find out how the team and individuals got on](#)

Gallery Rifle **End Summer On High**

The key final events of the summer for the STS Gallery Rifle AMG ended with considerable successes for the individuals and teams involved:

- Members from the Scotland Squad attended the 2023 Derby Handgun Challenge on 19-20 August and came away with a number of medals ([read the match report](#))
- The Scotland Squad was victorious in the Home Counties National Match for only the second time in fifteen years, as well as some other notable successes at the National Championships held on 2-3 September at Bisley ([read the match report](#))

Scottish Juniors Descend on Bisley for **2023 Junior International**

A number of junior Scots travelled down to Bisley to compete at the 2023 Junior International competition, competing in both pistol and rifle events and coming away with a number of medals. Read the reports prepared by both:

- [Pistol JI Report](#)
- [Rifle JI Report](#)

STS Member Clubs Run **Successful Summer Events**

A number of STS member clubs held a series of successful events over the summer months. Read the reports below to find out more:

- **Badenoch & Strathspey Muzzle Loading & Rifle Club** held their July competition on the club's range near Kingussie ([read the report](#))
- The **Inverness-shire Open** competition was held on the 5-6 August at Cawder Range ([see the results](#))
- **Alloa & District Rifle Club** ran a Club Instructor on 12-13 August course to support Scottish Universities ([read the report](#))

STS Announces **New Clothing Supplier**

STS is delighted to announce that we have teamed up with Zeon Sports to provide branded clothing. The window for ordering will be open until 10 September, so if you wish to purchase team kit please get your order in before the ordering window closes. The ordering window will be opened again later in the year and we will notify members when it is active. [The STS Shop can be found on the website here](#)

STS Events

STS Confirmed Events for 2023

Please see below some key upcoming STS organised events taking place/closing soon:

- **Entries for the STS Winter Postal Leagues are closing soon:**
 - [Pistol Summer Postal Competitions](#) (all entries close on 1 October)
 - [Rifle Summer Postal Competitions](#) (league entries close on 31 October)

STS is pleased to announce the following competitions and events have been confirmed for the coming months:

- 14 October 2023 - [10m Air Pistol Grand Prix 1 \(Carlisle\)](#)
- 15 October 2023 - [10m Air Rifle Grand Prix 1 \(Carlisle\)](#)
- 11 November 2023 - 10m Air Pistol Grand Prix 2 (Inverness)
- 12 November 2023 - 10m Air Rifle Grand Prix 2 (Inverness)
- 9-10 December 2023 - 10m Air Pistol Grand Prix 3 (Callander)
- 10 December 2023 - 10m Air Rifle Grand Prix 3 (Alloa)

[You can enter the majority of STS events online through our online booking system here.](#)

The STS Events committee continues to meet regularly to review the events programme and is currently finalising entry details for these events.

STS Event Results in 2023

Please see below links to the latest tables from our postal events:

- **Latest STS Summer Postal League Tables are available for the [Pistol](#) and [Rifle](#) competitions**

Please see below links to the results (and, where available, reports) from our other events from this year:

- 7 January 2023 - [10m Air Rifle GP 4 \(Carlisle\)](#)
- 8 January 2023 - [10m Air Pistol GP 4 \(Carlisle\)](#)
- 11 February 2023 - [10m Air Rifle GP 5](#)
- 12 February 2023 - [10m Air Pistol GP 5](#)
- 18-19 March 2023 – [2023 Scottish 10m Air Championships \(Napier University\)](#)
- 23 April 2023 – All Ranges (Denwood) - CANCELLED
- 29 April 2023 - [Colmsliehill GP1 \(JSPC\)](#)
- 29 April 2023 - 50m 3P GP1 (Denwood) - CANCELLED
- 30 April 2023 - [50m Prone GP1 \(Denwood\)](#)
- 21 May 2023 – [Pentagonal & Finlux \(Blair Atholl\)](#)
- 27 May 2023 - 50m 3P GP2 (Denwood) - CANCELLED
- 28 May 2023 - [50m Prone GP2 \(Denwood\)](#)
- 3 June 2023 - [Colmsliehill GP2 \(JSPC\)](#)
- 3-4 June 2023 - [Scottish Long Range Championships \(Blair Atholl\)](#)
- 16-18 June 2023 - [Scottish Fullbore Open \(Blair Atholl\)](#)
- 17 June 2023 - [50m 3P GP3 \(Denwood\)](#)
- 17 June 2023 - [50m Pistol Championships](#)
- 1 July 2023 - [Colmsliehill GP3 \(JSPC\)](#)
- 7-9 July 2023 - [Scottish Gallery Rifle & Pistol Championships \(JSPC\)](#)
- 15-16 July 2023 - [Scottish 50m Rifle Championships \(Denwood\)](#)
- 5 August 2023 - [Colmsliehill GP4 \(JSPC\)](#)
- 26 August 2023 - [50m 3P GP4 \(Denwood\)](#)
- 27 August 2023 - [50m Prone GP4 \(Denwood\)](#)
- 2 September 2023 - [Colmsliehill GP5 \(JSPC\)](#)
- 2 September 2023 - [50m 3P GP5 \(Alloa\)](#)
- 3 September 2023 - [50m Prone GP5 \(Alloa\)](#)

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

STS Event Dates for 2024

STS is pleased to announce the following competitions and events have been confirmed for next year:

- **9-10 March 2024** – [2024 Scottish 10m Air Championships \(Napier University\)](#)
- **5-7 July 2024** - [Scottish Gallery Rifle & Pistol Championships \(JSPC\)](#)

Event Opt-Ins

*If you want to receive news about any of our shooting events, make sure you **update the opt-in section of your profile** in our membership system with a tick next to each discipline you want us to contact you about.*

Find Out More About STS

STS Vacancies

STS currently has the following staff vacancies:

- [Performance & Pathways Manager \(Maternity Cover\)](#) - closing date 30 September 2023

STS currently has the following voluntary vacancies:

- [Pistol, Rifle & Shotgun Breakthrough Coaches](#) - closing date 30 September 2023
- [Business Vice Chair](#) - closing date 1 October 2023
- [Field Target Airgun AMG Chair](#) - closing date 1 October 2023
- [Olympic Shotgun AMG Chair](#) - closing date 1 October 2023

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 [vacancies page on the STS website](#).

STS Members Insurance Microsite

STS has been working with our insurance broker, **Bluefin Sport**, to create the [STS Insurance Microsite provided by Bluefin Sport](#). 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

STS Branded Clothing

STS is pleased to announce Zeon as our new clothing provider.

[View the NEW STS clothing range provided by Zeon](#)

Some things to note when using the supplier's website (found in the link below):

- In order to see the prices you need to create an account/log in to the kit providers site.
- If you are using an iPhone you may need to turn the phone landscape in order to see the "cart".
- You can get embroidered initials onto the garments at an extra cost.
- **The current ordering block will finish on 10 September 2023 so order must be placed before then.**

We will notify members when the next block of kit ordering opens.

Contact STS

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