



# ENGLISH SMALL-BORE SHOOTING UNION

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## NEWSLETTER SPRING 2008

### TRIPLE ENGLISH CHAMPION – MICHELLE SMITH

Congratulations to Michelle on winning all three major English Women's Championships – 3 Positions, Prone and Air Rifle – at our Championships held on 3/4/5 May.

#### OPEN/CONFINED ENGLISH CHAMPIONSHIPS 2008.

The entry for these Championships was somewhat down on last year due primarily to a number of our top shooters competing in international competitions abroad on the same weekend. Also this was not a qualifying year for Commonwealth Games.

Overall the event ran very smoothly and our very grateful thanks go to all our helpers without whom there would not be a Championship.

#### TROPHY WINNERS – 2008

##### THE OPEN MEETING TROPHY

Men's Prone Rifle    Open Meeting Championship Trophy    P Scanlan    693.6

##### CONFINED ENGLISH TROPHY WINNERS

Men's Prone Rifle	The Eley Trophy	P Scanlan	693.6
Men's Three Positions	The Cafferata Memorial Plate	C W Hector	1220.9
Women's Prone Rifle	The Iris Trophy	M Smith	697.7
Women's Three Positions	Women's Three Positions Goblet	M Smith	666.8
Men's Air Rifle	The Walther Trophy	C W Hector	691.1
Junior Men's Air Rifle	The Ted Daw Air Rifle Trophy	N Sutherland	680.6
Women's Air Rifle	The Air Rifle Goblet	M Smith	491.5
Women's Junior Air Rifle	The Ted Daw Air Rifle Trophy	R Pidgley	489.0
Men's Air Pistol	The Calvert Plate	N Baxter	668.6
Men's Junior Air Pistol	The Trudy Henry Air Pistol Trophy	K Callaghan	543
Women's Air Pistol	The Women's Air Pistol Goblet	V Mullin	452.1
Women's Junior Air Pistol	The Trudy Henry Air Pistol Trophy	V Mullin	452.1
Men's Free Pistol	The Cafferata Memorial Plate	N Baxter	623.4
Rapid Fire Air Pistol	The Rapid Fire Pistol Trophy	L Pearson	565
Standard Air Pistol	The Hunter Trophy	R Hale	566
Standard Air Handgun		A Graver	575



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### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2008

Your Officers and Committee Members were elected unchanged as follows:-

President	This office is vacant.
Vice-President	D P Giuseppi Esq
Chairman	Maj. P F C Underhill
Vice-Chairman	A T Redhead Esq
Hon. Secretary	F H Balcombe Esq
Hon. Treasurer	Mrs N Hunter MBE
Hon. Asst. Secretary	Mrs A S Balcombe

Committee Members:

S J Dafforn Esq	J Mallows Esq
I French Esq	R Taylor Esq
D A Goodfellow Esq	M T White Esq

As the Annual General Meeting was poorly attended we are including with this Newsletter a copy of the Chairman's Report.

### HOME COUNTRIES AIRGUN INTERNATIONALS – FEBRUARY 2008.

It is very pleasing to report that England won all the Home Countries International Airgun matches including Junior Matches. Scores are as follows:-

Air Pistol Senior Open – M Gault 580, N Baxter 567, A Graver 563

Team Totals – England 1710, Scotland 1627, Wales 1614.

Air Pistol Ladies – G S Geike 386, J M Lydall 374, S Buckley 363

Team Totals – England 1123, Scotland 1048, Wales 1042.

Air Pistol Juniors – L P Hill 536, K Callaghan 532, E J Graver 526

Team Totals – England 1594, Wales 1547

Pistol Captain: Mr J Mallows

Air Rifle Senior Open – C W Hector 583, L C Minett 582, M Smith 582.

Team Totals – England 1747, Scotland 1733, Wales 1709.

Air Rifle Ladies – L C Minett 389, M Smith 388, S Lee 387

Team Totals – England 1164, Scotland 1146, Wales 1144

Air Rifle Juniors – R E Pidgley 573, D Rivers 571, F M Pascall 568

Team Totals – England 1712, Wales 1654.

Rifle Captain: Mr I French

### WINTER POSTAL COMPETITIONS – RESULTS 2007/8

Prone Rifle Class 1 – Mrs S Haskett Class 2 – D Mills

Air Pistol – Division 1 – A Graver Division 2 – T Smith Division 3 – R Careless



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### **CSF (ED) CHAMPIONSHIPS 2008 – GIBRALTAR**

We understand that these Championships are to be held in Gibraltar late September 2008. In view of the time scale we are including with this Newsletter details of Selection Criteria. Shooters selected for these Championships will be required to go on a self-funding basis and to be responsible for their own travel arrangements. If you are interested and wish to be considered please complete the enclosed form. At this stage we have received no paperwork from Gibraltar indicating what events will be included.

### **50M RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIPS – BISLEY – 13-15 JUNE 2008.**

We have been advised that the 3P Internationals normally shot at the start of the Bisley week have been moved to these Championships and also there will be new Prone 50M International Matches.

The teams for these will be selected from the entry by the captain who will be Ken Parr.

### **HOME COUNTRIES INTERNATIONALS – SCOTLAND – DUMFRIES.**

This year the Scottish Meeting is being held from June 28 to July 4. Team Officials will be:-

Full International – Captain – B C Norman, Secretary – R Taylor

Ladies International – Captain – Miss S Marshall, Secretary – t.b.a.

Junior International – If sufficient juniors attend – Captain – R J Wingrove.

### **TENT – SCOTLAND**

There will be an ESSU tent for the use of members. Please make sure that this is used.

### **ESSU vs ARMY vs POLICE SPORT UK – May 18 2008.**

This match resulted in a very good win for the ESSU in extremely tricky typical Lord Roberts' range wind conditions. Scores as follows:-

#### Match 1

R C Brown – 586, T Brunning – 583, N Clark – 581, M T White – 580, R Fowke – 579,  
M Bagot – 577, M Buttery – 570, L Webster – 565.

Reserves: P Awty – 565, S Rogers – 534.

ESSU 4621

POLICE SPORT UK 4593

ARMY 4532

#### Match 2

M Bagot – 582, L Webster – 582, C Clark – 582, R Fowke – 581, R C Brown – 576  
T Brunning – 575, M T White – 572, M Buttery – 572.

Reserves: P Awty – 564, S Rogers – 546.

### **TOTALS:**

**ESSU 9243**

**POLICE SPORT UK 9194**

**ARMY 9038**

Team Captain: Mr Robin Taylor



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### **PAYMENT OF MEMBERSHIP FEES BY STANDING ORDER**

Effective February 2009 you will be able to pay your Membership Fee by Standing Order. If you wish to do this please write to Mrs N Hunter MBE, 125 Turnpike Link, Croydon, Surrey CRO 5NU enclosing a stamped addressed envelope and she will send you the necessary form **WHICH YOU MUST SEND TO YOUR BANK.**

### **EMAILS.**

We still have only a small number of members taking their newsletter by email. Please email us if you wish to be included on our email list to receive future correspondence.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **INTERSHOOT**

**FEBRUARY 5/6/7 2009**

**The team will be travelling on February 4 and returning on February 8. The approximate cost will be £500. Further details with the next Newsletter.**

## **OPEN/CONFINED ESSU CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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