



# MLAGB

## eBulletin

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### MLAGB AGM

Notice is hereby given that the 50th Annual General Meeting of the MLAGB, a Company Limited by Guarantee, will be held at the Pavilion, Wedgnoek Range Complex on Saturday 5th June 2004 commencing at 2.30pm. All members are encouraged to attend and to exercise their voting rights in directing the policies of the Association. Agenda and motions for consideration will be included in the Spring Newsletter and added to the members area of the MLAGB web site at [www.mlagb.com](http://www.mlagb.com).

### Newsletter

As recently published, Kim Minshall has now taken on the role of Newsletter editor for the MLAGB. Anyone wishing to submit material for publication can contact Kim at:

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Telephone/Fax: 0117 9823087  
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### Annual Postal Competitions

Do you enjoy competition? Are you confident you can better other skilled shooters? Is your training suffering from lack of motivation? If you answered yes to any of the questions, then why not enter the MLAGB annual postal competitions? They offer the opportunity to enjoy competition, or to 'spice up' your training with a little added pressure, from the comfort of your own range and with a large variety of muzzle loading firearms. Give them a go! Competitions available are:

**25 metres:** Flint Smoothbore, Revolver (spirit of original), Percussion, Any pistol

**50 metres/yards:** Flintlock, Percussion, Any rifle, Patch ball, Offhand flint rifle, 3-man team (1 Flint Musket, 1 Percussion Musket, 1 Military Rifle)

**100 metres/yards:** Military rifle, Free rifle, Flintlock, 3 man Military rifle team

Stickers are required for the above competitions. £1.00 per sticker or 7 for £5.00. You can enter as many times as you wish and targets are to be sent to the postal secretary by December 2004. Stickers are A4 size so the envelope you send must be large enough and postage should be sufficient. Entries to: John Morgan, 5 Suffolk Road, Royston, Herts. SG8 9EX

### Range Finder: Where do you shoot?



*The MLAGB's range at Wedgnoek: where do you shoot?*

Surrey Branch Secretary, Paul Roberts, writes that he occasionally receives enquires from those seeking to get into the black powder arts and wish to locate their nearest range. The Association has clubs affiliated to the MLAGB, but the present database gives no information as to the whereabouts of ranges suitable and approved for muzzle loading. Some clubs, particularly in the Bisley catchment, have no suitable range of their own but regularly hire Bisley or MOD ranges.

Paul proposes to co-ordinate a database (probably just a list, but database sounds better!) of black powder ranges. Clearly such a database could also be of interest to existing black powder shooters looking for new shooting opportunities and certainly benefit Clubs looking to attract new members or increase range usage. The information requested from all Clubs, not just MLAGB affiliated, where muzzle loading takes place is as follows:

1. Name of Club or Branch
2. Contact Details (Not for publication)
3. Address or Location of Range(s) used. For instance, simply state, Bisley or Wedgnoek
4. Type of Range - Indoor or outdoor, covered or open, private or MOD
5. Length of Range(s)
6. Number of Firing Points
7. Approved for - Calibre/muzzle energy limits
8. Target Changing - Manual or electronic
9. Disciplines Shot - Slow fire, historic revolver, etc.
10. Availability - Days and times of use
11. Other Facilities - Toilets, car parking, disabled access, catering etc.

Responses may be posted to:

MLAGB, PO Box 779, West End, Woking, Surrey GU24 9WA

faxed to 01276 517335 or emailed to: [stumpy.roberts@ntlworld.com](mailto:stumpy.roberts@ntlworld.com)

Please help us to help you and respond promptly. Many thanks.

### Wedgnoek Range

Season tickets and hire charges from 1st April 2004:

Season Ticket	£75
Season Ticket (Non Member)	£135
Group Season Tickets	Negotiable

#### Day Fees:

Member	£7
Non Member	£10
Air Member	£4
Air Non Member	£6
Veterans	£5
Veterans (Air)	£3
Training (WRPC)	£3

Please note that price increases reflect the lack of volunteers and that most future labour charges will be paid at an hourly rate.

Shooters are reminded that during the Winter months (1 November-31 March) the MLAGB ranges at Wedgnoek are closed on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month.

*R.J. Holbrook*

### OTF Fundraiser Matches

The date of the Rifle and Pistol Secretary's matches in aid of the Overseas Team Fund (OTF), as published in the December 'Black Powder Newsletter', has changed to Saturday 17 April. This one day competition at Wedgnoek has a full program of musket, rifle and pistol events. Entry forms have been distributed to those that attended MLAGB matches in the last two years, are available via the web site, membership office or discipline secretaries. Please include a stamped addressed envelope if writing for an entry form.

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