



Pedersoli Challenge

This years Pedersoli Challenge was characterised by some very higher scoring events. With two rifles made by the world famous manufactures Davide Pedersoli & Co, and made available by their UK distributors Viking Arms, competition was keen. The prize rifles were awarded to the winners of aggregate competitions.

Top prize in the rifle events was awarded for the aggregate of the 50m offhand rifle match plus the 100m prone military rifle match. The winner was David Minshall who was presented with a 'Sharps 1874 Hunter.'



David Minshall (left)



Nick Harvey (left)

In the pistol aggregate Nick Harvey won a 'Remington Rolling Block Infantry Rifle' with his aggregate score of flintlock pistol plus percussion revolver.

In addition to the rifles the MLAGB were also present with three special Pedersoli plaques. These were awarded to three competitors who shot outstanding scores: Olivia Lamont who scored a 97 to win the ladies 100m rifle match with the highest rifle score of the weekend, Shonagh Clark who shot a personal best of 97 in Kuchenreuter (repro. single shot) which was also the highest pistol score of the weekend, and finally

Geoffrey George who scored 96 to win Cominazzo (repro. flintlock pistol) which was a new British record for this competition.



Olivia Lamont, Geoffrey George, Shonagh Clark

Competition winners were:

Rifle and Musket

Whitworth – D.Chambers 94
Minie – P.Wolpe 91
Maximilian – O.Lamont 90
Miquelet – A.Winters 86
Walkyrie – O.Lamont 97
Tanegashima – D.Brigden 92
Vetterli – J.Grant 95
B/P Breech Loader – S.Fletcher 87

Pistol

Kuchenreuter (Repro) – S.Clark 97
Mariette- P.Chappell 96
Cominazzo – G.George 96
Kuchenreuter (Original) – B.Everitt 96
Colt – B.Everitt 94
Free Pistol – J.Munt 96
Matchlock – F.Thibault 90

HELP WANTED!

Surrey Branch has been asked to help out with Shoot Experience 2004. This is a scouting event at which up to 200 youths will be given a taste of several shooting disciplines. Surrey Branch will be providing scouts with opportunity to fire Enfield rifles at 50m. Please consider assisting as we need to encourage a new generation to take up shooting sports. The event takes place on Sunday 12 Septmber.

More details are available from Paul Roberts who can be contacted by phone/fax on 01276 517335 or email at stumpy.Roberts@ntlworld.com

Shotgun Autumn National



The Autumn National Sporting Clay Competitions will be held at Long Compton, Warwickshire, on 12 September. Events start at 10:00 am, with the last card in by 4.00 pm, and are:

- Tankard 20 clays singles
- Cotswold Shield 25 clays singles and doubles
- Small bore 25 clays (18 bore or smaller)
- Flintlock 20 clays singles
- Big bore 25 clays singles (10 bore or larger and charge you like)
- Ladies score taken from Tankard
- Teams of three taken from Tankard
- Hammer gun 25 singles and doubles (black powder only. Re-entry)

Details from: Warwickshire Autumn National, Yardley Farm, Vicarage Lane, Long-Compton, Shipston On Stour, Warwickshire CV36 5LH.

Shotgunners are also reminded that they are welcome at the regular Down the Line (DTL) training at Sywell Park. The ranges are situated on the A43 Northampton/Wellington Road and offer excellent facilities. New shooters are welcomed, and encouraged to try this demanding discipline. Full training or coaching can be given if desired by World Champions such as Peter Capewell or Mike Munnerley. Costs at Sywell are £5 for 25 clays.

The 21st MLAIC World Muzzle Loading Championships

The British muzzle loading team heads to the USA this month to compete in the World Championships at the Tri-County Sportsmen's shooting range outside of Batesville, Indiana. Congratulations to all those selected and best wishes for your medal success.

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