



Bury Rifle Club Newsletter

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Dear Member

Happy New Year and welcome to the latest edition of Shoot, Bury Rifle Clubs newsletter, which is packed full of updates, news and more.

So, happy reading, good luck if entering the competition and enjoy.

With best wishes from not only myself but the rest of the committee

Wayne

Ps: If you do not wish to receive this or have any comments/suggestions or would like something included in the next issue, then please let me know.

CUMBRIA COMPETITIONS!

The new season of Cumbria is now underway and all of those who have entered have cards in their pigeonholes to shoot.

The remaining dates for each round are shown below. If you think you may not be able to get your entries shot by the required dates then please get in touch with Brian Fletcher or John Wilding ASAP.

Round 6 = 16th January 2023 Round 7 = 30th January 2023 Round 8 = 13th February 2023 Round 9 = 27th February 2023 Round 10 = 13th March 2023

SPOT THE ERROR COMPETITION!

Congratulations again go to Phil Shaw who won the last "spot the error" competition. There is a new "error" in this issue, so to be in with a chance of winning either a box of .22 ammunition or a tin of airgun pellets, all you need to do it submit your entry no later than 5th February. The winner will be announced in the next issue.

Good Luck!

REMINDER OF CLUB OPENING TIMES!

<u>Monday</u> 19:00 – 22:00 .22 rimfire 19:00 – 21:00* Airguns 21:00 – 22:00*	Wednesday 18:30 – 20:30 Airguns only (times under review)	<u>Thursday</u> 14:00 – 16:00 .22 rimfire	<mark>Friday</mark> 19:00 – 22:00 .22 rimfire 19:00 – 21:00* Airguns 21:00 – 22:00*
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*These times are dependent on the number of members shooting.

Members are reminded that arriving early does not necessarily mean guaranteed entrance to the club or an early start. Please be patient and allow the Range Officer time to complete all the steps required to safely open the club.

Fridays continue to remain less busy, but remember that as well as Wednesdays, airguns can also be shot on a Monday or Friday after the .22 has completed. We do however, permit air rifles to be shot at the same time as .22 rimfire as long as it is benchrest and single shot – but air pistols cannot be shot at the same time as the .22 rimfire, these must wait until all .22 rimfire shooting has completed.

Thank you.

CLUB EVENTS!

Club Presentation/Social Evening – good news – we now have a date – Saturday 4th March at the Masonic Hall in Bury. Doors open at 7pm with the event starting at 7:30pm.

As many of you know it's a great evening of awards, presentations, quiz, raffle, lighthearted games and much more. We will even feed you – yes you heard – you get a choice of meals (details available soon).

We are currently in the process of agreeing the ticket price, and we hope to be able to announce this within the next week or so.

So far we have 45 tickets requested, with only 20 of those being members, so if you want a great night out, and yes you can bring a guest, and you haven't already done so then put your name down and come and join the fun. There is a form at the club on the desk for you to register.

AGM!

The committee, at a recent meeting, asked for members to be reminded that at the last AGM only 3 club members attended. This meant that the usual activities, such as voting on subscription rates and agreeing the incoming committee could not be performed.

Members are reminded that the AGM is a key moment when they can speak up and be heard. After the recent membership survey, it is felt that many members want to be heard, they want change and want the club to move forward in various ways, or even wish to volunteer in a certain capacity to help. But without attending or submitting their details – nothing will happen.

Remember – if you want to see change or make things happen – then please get involved – as we always say - "the club is run by the members for the member5". The committee, politely request, that all members make every effort to attend the AGM's.

Thank you.

MEMBERSHIP INVOLVEMENT!

Moving slightly away from the AGM and onto the standard regular committee meetings, should any member feel they have something they want addressed which they feel needs to be discussed at committee level, then they can notify the club secretary, ideally in writing, so that it can be addressed at the next meeting. The secretary will acknowledge receipt and present the issue at the next meeting. Feedback will then be sent back to the member explaining what decision (if any) was made.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS & CARDS!

All membership cards have now been produced and should be collected from the club room. Unlike previous years, cards will not be posted to the members address. This removes the chance of cards being sent out to incorrect addresses and ending up in the wrong hands.

For those who pay their subscriptions quarterly, a new card will be issued for that quarter when the relevant fee has been received.

Quarterly payment dates are as follows:

- Quarter 1-1st October (start of new club year)
- Quarter 2 1st January
- Quarter 3 1st April
- Quarter 4 1st July

MEMBERS PERSONAL DETAILS!

All members will, by now, be aware that at the start of each new club year a form is sent out containing their personal details. It is asked that these forms be checked, altered as required and sent back ASAP. However, as well as this form, members are also reminded that if any of their details change throughout the year, i.e. address, phone number, email address etc, they must inform the secretary immediately.

ALCOHOL & GUNS!!



After receiving a direct message from a member regarding this subject, it was felt that a polite and gentle reminder should be made to all members that having alcoholic refreshments just prior to handling any type of gun is not an ideal scenario. Any member found to have been consuming alcohol before attending the club, may be refused admittance for health and safety reasons. Please remember – alcohol and guns do not mix.



It is recommended that all our members who are on Facebook should find and join our group. It's another way of keeping up to date of all news/events. You can even make your own posts and share information. It's a live forum related to the club and all things shooting, but to be honest anything goes if it's legal.

Simply find the group "BURY RIFLE CLUB" and hit the join button. A great place to catch up with what's going on and keep in touch.

Note: sales of firearms, airguns & ammunition is not permitted on the group due to Facebook policy. If unsure then please ask.