



# Shoot

Bury Rifle Club Newsletter

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## EDITORIAL

Dear Member

Welcome to the September edition of Shoot, Bury Rifle Clubs newsletter, which is packed full of updates, news and more. If there's something you want to know about and it isn't covered in this newsletter, please feel free to ask any member of the committee and they will be all to happy to help.

Happy reading.

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 2023 Summer season has now come to an end and all scores have been posted. Hopefully there's no appeals and the scores posted stand. Good luck to all those awaiting final results – hopefully there's a few medals to go around.

Entries have now been sent off for the Winter 2023 season, hopefully stickers will be available soon. Good luck to all those who have entered.

## SPOT THE ERROR COMPETITION!

As nobody entered the previous competition, the prize still stands. ALL correct entries received by 4pm on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October will be entered and a winner will be picked out by lucky dip by the range officer on Monday 30<sup>st</sup> October. Good luck to those who enter.

# REMINDER OF CLUB OPENING TIMES!

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
19:00 – 22:00 .22 rimfire 19:00 – 21:00* Airguns 21:00 – 22:00*	18:30 – 20:30 Airguns only	14:00 – 16:00 .22 rimfire	19:00 – 22:00 .22 rimfire 19:00 – 21:00* Airguns 21:00 – 22:00*

\*The closing times are dependent on the number of members shooting.

It has been noticed that members are turning up earlier and earlier, and this is forcing range officers to turn up earlier, which in turn creates a longer night and puts extra pressure on the range officers. Can members please note the opening times are listed above which we are asking members to observe. Turning up early does not mean early entry or early shooting.

It was also suggested that members who have key access who turn up early, should act as range officer and ensure all the opening arrangements are made, this would also mean that they are unable to shoot.

Historically, the official opening/start time was 7:30pm, which may be brought back should members continue insisting on arriving early, sometimes up to 45 minutes early before the official opening times. This also includes Wednesdays; we have members arriving at 6pm. Wednesdays were moved from 7pm to 6:30pm to try and combat this problem, but now members insist on arriving even earlier.

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 (not magazine fed – anyone found shooting with a magazine fed rifle may be asked to leave the range)** – 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.

## MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS!

The 2023 club year is now at an end, the new 2024 club year will start on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Members are reminded that subscription fees must **NOT** be paid until advised to do so. This is so that the club can undertake its annual audit and ensure all financial dealings are complete for 2023 in time for the AGM.

Details of what to pay, how to pay it and when to pay it will be sent out in a separate email to all members.

## NEW SIGNING IN SHEETS!

All full members will now find new signing in sheets for 2024 in the blue folder. Can I please ask that any member who has a Firearms Certificate and owns their own rifle(s), to check the details in the gun section. If there are any changes to be made, please let me know and a new sheet will be produced.

# AGM AND CHRISTMAS FUN SHOOT!

Due to some of us having extended holidays later in the year, it has been decided to hold the AGM and Christmas Fun Shoot on the same night – Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup>. The night would consist of the AGM being held first and then moving swiftly into the Fun Shoot. Details of both will be made available nearer to the time.

## LEASE!

The renewal of the lease is moving forward and is currently back the council. We have been assured that all amendment requested have been considered, and we have requested a draft copy for approval. Further updates will be made when we have more information.

## PRESENTATION/SOCIAL EVENING 2024!

Yes, it's almost that time of the year when ideas will be thrown into the pot with regards to the content of the next presentation/social evening.

Would you believe that the next event will be the 10<sup>th</sup> and we thought it might be an idea to spice things up a little bit. Maybe hire the larger room and have a DJ – get those dancing shoes polished, or Karaoke. For those who like the fun side of the night - we will still have the fun/games – don't panic we won't bring out last years "Humming" game, although it did go down well 😊.

It's not just the content of the evening it's also the catering, do we continue with the choice of hot meals or maybe "up the ante" and have a sit-down plated meal – with it being the 10<sup>th</sup> event.

Do we spice things up with a more formal dress code? – don't know about you guys but I think it's nice to make the extra effort and dress up smart once in a while. Anyone for fancy dress 😊?

Lots of things to think about. This year is passing us by quickly and before we know it, we will be hurtling headfirst into the new year. So, get your thinking caps on and get the ideas rolling in.

All ideas can be emailed to me at [wjtaylor5414@gmail.com](mailto:wjtaylor5414@gmail.com)

## NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING!

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October, so if there's anything you would like to be discussed, please feel free to pass the details to the club secretary or to your member representative – Howard Temperley, and we will ensure that they are discussed and reported back on.

## CLUB ROOM!

It has been noted that the club room is starting to get a little cluttered and untidy. There are items which are not shooting related which have been brought down and left. Please note that space is already restricted when it comes to rifles cases/bags, therefore we do not have the space to store items which are not required. These items include unused gun cases, computer equipment, camera tripods, bags, and I'm sure other things. Can I please ask that if these are not required, then please take them home. Any items not removed by the AGM – 12<sup>th</sup> December, be warned – it will be disposed of, i.e. thrown away.

## DATA PROTECTION (GDPR CHECKS)!

Over the last few years, I have sent out forms containing members details and asked that they be checked and returned. To save on paper, envelopes and stamps etc, it has been decided that this process will be stopped. The responsibility of keeping membership data current and correct now belongs to each individual member.

Can all members please note that if any data changes, i.e. you move to a new house, change email address or telephone number etc, you are required to immediately inform the club secretary. Not informing the club secretary may result in documents being sent to incorrect address/people (this has happened in the past)

## MEMBERSHIP CARDS!

Again, to reduce the amount of work, materials used and cost, it has been decided that , as of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024, membership cards will no longer be automatically produced. Membership cards will only be produced if requested and will be provided in email/digital format (or by letter if an email address is not available).

Should you require a membership card, please get in touch and I will arrange for one to be produced.

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a dark blue rectangular background.

It is recommended that members who have an active Facebook account find and join our group. It's another way of keeping up to date of all news/events and non-urgent notifications. Feel free to make/share posts. It's a live forum related to the club, but to be honest anything shooting related is acceptable as long as 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 check with the groups Admins.