



Bury Rifle Club Newsletter

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SPECIAL EDITION

Welcome to the latest edition of Shoot.

Quite a lot has happened since the last edition of SHOOT, but sadly, this issue will be very short but very relevant. There is a small request at the end, so please read on ©

As we all know COVID-19 is sweeping the country causing major disruption and distress to us all. The committee hope that you are all keeping well and are managing to keep safe by practicing social distancing and washing you hands on a regular basis.

We would like to remind members that the club is currently closed and that nobody should be attending the club for social purposes. We do not know when we will be open again, but as soon as we get news on when restrictions are to be lifted we will let you know.

As one committee member said (and I hope he doesn't mind me quoting his text) "As long as we are bug-free, if any of you need any assistance, or if you know of any club member in need of help, please let me know. We all have to look after each other at this time."

We all know that lots of stories/reports are emerging about the virus, some true and lots false. The NHS and .GOV websites are very useful and hold lots of information.

On a personal note, for all of you who are working from home, I am in the same situation and have been for two weeks now – probably will be for a number of months. I'm bored and miss the office life/banter. There is also

the tension of sharing the house 24/7 with the wife and daughter. But I'm doing my bit and staying safe and indoors. I'm relaxing by shooting people on my Xbox gaming console and spending time in the garden. My exercise is a brief walk into our local village to the shops and back again.

A few hints and tips from my household, when we wash our hands we don't use hand towels to dry. We are using facecloths. Single use to dry our hands then it's in the wash. Also good to use it to turn the tap off. We have disposable gloves for shopping – how clean are the trolleys or baskets? We also use them when dropping supplies at my mums, the door handles and elevator buttons are all prime targets. Petrol stations – we don't know who's been using the pumps. If you've no gloves, use paper towels or tissues and throw them away, it all helps to fight the spread of the virus. Such simple things make a big difference. Less contact = less risk.

We would also like to thank Alan Schofield for keeping the website updated during the early stages of this rapidly changing situation, a number of updates for the website were submitted in a very short period of time and were always dealt with very promptly.... Thank you Alan.

Like I mentioned earlier, it's been short and sweet this edition, just a few words to keep in touch and to say "you've not been forgotten – and we're all here for each other", and to repeat the quote from above "As long as we are bug-free, if any of you need any assistance, or if you know of any club member in need of help, please let me know. We all have to look after each other at this time."

My request to you all.... Personally I think it would be nice if we could issue a number of these newsletters on a regular basis – 1 per week. Each one written by a different person. Tell us how you are coping with the lockdown and how you are managing to keep spirits high, or maybe you've already throttled the wife/husband/partner and buried them under the patio ⊚. Hints and tips for staying safe, or maybe you just want to warble on for a bit. Simply throw some words together and email them to me and I'll put together the newsletter and publish it. So come on – help spread some happiness in these times of darkness. You can remain anonymous or I'll put your name in a fancy font (like mine below). So – who's first?? – come on – don't be shy.

In the meantime, please, please, please stay safe, and hopefully it won't be too long before restrictions are lifted and we can slowly start to return to normal. On behalf of the committee I would like to wish you all well. Best wishes

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Wayne Taylor Hon. Secretary

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