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Chairman's Letter

Dear Members,

We are now half way through this year's full-bore season which has seen some good results so far. The first regional championships was the West of Scotland at the beginning of May which was also the first major competition using the new electronic targets at Blair Atholl. The targets worked very well and once everyone got used to using them the shooting speeded up considerably and with a total entry of 46 shooting was finished on time. The West of Scotland TR Grand Agg. was won by Mike Barlow, TR/F was won by Ron Scaglione and F-open was won by Des Parr. Later in May there was the annual match v RAF and Wales at Bisley which was also used as a training weekend for the Scotland team going to South Africa next year and the result was a win for Scotland.

The entries for the Scottish Championships at Barry in June were very good considering that it was not until April that we were able to confirm that the range was available following a 6 month closure for rebuilding the stop butt. Total entries were 81 shooting TR and 3 shooting TR/F. Unfortunately we lost time on Saturday morning due to poor visibility because the wind direction blew sea mist onto the range. By Sunday lunchtime we had caught up with the programme but on Sunday afternoon we lost more time due to sailing boats in the danger area which meant that the Lawrence Trophy Match had to be shot concurrent with the individual competitions. The Lawrence Trophy was won by Scotland, 13 points ahead of England. The winner of the Scottish Championship was Andrew Wilde who scored the only 150 at 900 and 1000 yards. Angus McLeod won the Caledonian Shield and Ian Shaw won the Grand Agg. The TR/F class was won by Paul Crosbie. The running of the Scottish requires a considerable amount of work and I would like to thank Allan Mabon for running the Championships and all the helpers who did the preparation work in getting the range ready.

The targets we use at Barry are owned by the SRA and are kept in a target shed in the Camp but this year we were advised that the target shed is to be demolished and we had to find alternative storage for our targets. Fortunately, we got permission to install a container at the butts to store the targets but this has cost the Association a total of £2,000 for the purchase and delivery of a 30 foot container – the alternative would have been to store the targets somewhere away from the camp but this would have resulted in significant annual cost for storage and transport.

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The entry for the Scottish Long Range Championships at Blair Atholl at the end of June were lower than normal with 15 entries for TR, 3 for TR/F and 7 for F-open. The electronic targets worked well and the programme was completed ahead of schedule. The winner of the TR Grand Agg. was John Potter for the second year in a row, and Paul Crosbie won both the TR/F and F-open Grands. During the Long Range Championships the final of the Grand Masters competition is held which is based on qualifying points achieved during the Regional Championships for the previous 12 months and a final shoot at 1000 yards. The winner this year was myself, just 1 point ahead of Kenny MacDonald.

Events for the rest of this year are the Pentagonal (TR) and Finlux (F-class) regional team matches on 6th July at Blair Atholl, the National Match and MacKinnon Trophy at Bisley during the Imperial meeting, the Tayside Championships on 1st/2nd August at Blair Atholl, the Invernessshire Championships at Cawdor on 9th/10th August, East of Scotland Championships at Castlelaw on 27th September, Scotland v London & Middlesex RA at Blair Atholl on 4th/5th October and the European Long Range Championships at Bisley on October 11th/12th. So there is still a lot of shooting available and details for these event can be found on the SRA website scottishrifleassociation.org.uk.

Good shooting,

Tim Kidner -- Chairman