



Shooting Activities

The Club Range at Wellington Road is a purpose built 25 yard indoor range. It offers you the opportunity to shoot a variety of disciplines:

- Small-bore Prone Target Rifle (25 yard .22 LR Rimfire)
- Benchrest Target Rifle (25 yard small-bore or air rifles)
- Lightweight Sporting Rifle (LSR)
- Standing & Kneeling (3 Position or 3P)
- Air Weapons (.177 or .22 rifle or pistol)

The Range is open at specific times during the week for certain types of shooting discipline. You can view the club calendar on the club's website (www.chichesterrifleclub.co.uk) which has details of session types, dates and times.

Getting Started

Probationary members who are beginners must attend a minimum of 6 shoots during the first 6 months of their probationary membership.

As the club gets going after the long period of lockdown, we are offering a package of 3 training sessions which includes the session fee, .22 rimfire ammunition and rifle hire. Sessions are held on Saturday Mornings for small-bore prone and Thursday evenings for benchrest.

Once you have completed the course, small-bore prone shooters are asked to shoot on Wednesday evenings. Benchrest shooters will continue on Thursday evenings. Once you are a **Full Member** you may shoot at all events.

Moving On

Once you are allowed to shoot on probationary sessions, you should get in as much practice as possible.

Start by shooting a 2 spot card and concentrate on your grouping. Don't worry about the score. Try to get a series of 5 shots as close together as possible.

As your confidence builds, you can start to shoot a 10 spot card and score the results. Practice cards can be scored by the Range Officer and the scores entered on the New Shooters' scores sheet on the notice board. This enables us to work out average scores and assign new members to the appropriate teams.

Competitions

Once you become consistent in your scores, you can enter some team competitions.

The summer and winter postal leagues are a popular way to enter your first competitions. These are arranged by the various Associations to which the Club belongs. Team cards are shot at the Range and scored against other Club or County teams throughout the UK.

- Teams of 4 or 5 are arranged according to members' current average scores.
- Each league requires members to shoot a certain number of cards (from 1 to 4) within a given time frame, usually a month.
- Cards are placed in the racks and it is important to adhere to the 'Shoot by' date, shoot the cards in round order, sign each card after shooting it and have it witnessed and dated by the Range Officer. (Failure to do this results in the score not counting in the team's total.)
- Each team has a Team Captain who needs to know if there is any problem in meeting the 'Shoot by' dates - a substitute shooter can then be found.
- Please note: The 'shoot by' date may differ from the closing date of the card. This is done to assist the team captains collecting and sending the cards to be scored.
- There is no charge made for participation in postal leagues.

Members can also enter individual postal competitions, most of which are arranged on a class or handicap System. You will be competing against other club members and members from other clubs across the UK. There is a small charge made for these competitions.

At various times throughout the year we hold Club Shoots. All members are welcome and have a chance of winning trophies as some shoots are arranged on a class or handicap system. Details will be posted on the notice boards.

Other Ranges

The club can arrange visits to the NSRA range at the Lord Roberts Centre at Bisley. this has an excellent 50m outdoor range. You could even pick up some toys at the NSRA shop while you are there?

The club is affiliated to the NRA and can host full-bore club shoots using 7.62mm rifles at the National Shooting Centre at Bisley near Woking. These are outdoor events at ranges between 300 and 1000 yards.