

# **Historic Service Rifle Match Notes**

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024

- **Programme: 13:00-17:30:** 100x Snap, 200x Snap, 200x Rapid, 300x Harassing Fire, 300x Snap See separate Course of Fire Document
- Entry Fees: £28.00, £16.80 for those that are under 25 years old on the day of the event
- Meeting Membership: £10.50
- Entry Deadline: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September at midday
- **Cancellations:** Cancellations must be received via email to <u>competitions@nra.org.uk</u> by 8am Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Entries will be fully refunded (or credited) before this time, after this point entries are non-refundable. Credits are valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation

## **General Historic Service Rifle Event Information:**

- Entry Requirements:
  - Shooter Certification Card (SCC): Each civilian shooting on a MoD or NRA range has to carry a SCC issued by the chairman of a club of which they are a member and which is affiliated to the NRA. Competitors MUST be in possession of their SCC when shooting on NRA ranges. If you do not have an SCC for the type of firearm you wish to participate with please contact the Competition Co-ordinator before entering
  - ✓ This competition is open to members of Home Office Approved Clubs (HOAC) who are not prohibited under section 21 of the Firearms Act (The NRA is the largest HOAC in the UK). Non-NRA members are welcome, but are required to pay the Meeting Member Fee
  - ✓ On the first day of the Competition you must be aged 14 or over (please contact the Competition Coordinator before entering if this is not the case)
- **Making an entry:** Entries can be made and paid for online via: <u>online.nra.org.uk</u>. A downloadable paper entry form will also be available which can be returned via email or post.
- **Gallery Rifle ID (GRID):** This is a unique index number that allows us to match up your scores from multiple Historic matches, and is also used for the CSR Imperial and Action Weekend Competitions. Your GRID is listed on your membership profile and on our online booking website: <u>online.nra.org.uk/customer/info</u>
- Classes:
  - o Classic: Pre-1919 SMLEs
  - o Veteran: Pre-1955 No 4s/No 5s
  - Veteran Optic: Pre-1955 No 4T
  - All Comers Iron: Pre-1972 Foreign Service Rifles
- Firearm Specification: Service Rifle Class (a): A service rifle as issued by any government and used without any unauthorized alterations or additions
  - **Sling:** An as issued 1937 pattern sling attached to the butt swivel and the upper band swivel. The sling may be used for steadying the rifle and may be placed round one arm and/or wrist but not round any other part of the body
    - Veteran Optic Class only: the US M1907 Pattern sling is permitted and may be used either as a two point using the central sling swivel or with its integral loop
  - o **Rests:** No artificial rests/support may be used other than the sling
    - Veteran Optic: a sandbag will be provided to support the forward hand/wrist in the prone position only. There must be no contact whatsoever between the rifle and the sandbag or the ground
  - **Gloves:** No padded shooting gloves are allowed
  - Shooting jackets: No shooting jackets are permitted
  - o **Backsight:** A backsight as issued must be used. The wind-gauge if any must be set centrally

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- Foresight: A blade foresight, which may be undercut
- Wind: Must be allowed for by aiming off
  - Veteran Optic: windage sight adjustments are permitted
- **Sights:** May be blackened, but nothing may be affixed for shading them
- **Trigger pull:** Minimum of 4.5lbs
- Courses of Fire: Conditions and courses of fire are listed in a separate document on the online event page
- **Muzzle Energy:** Ranges at Bisley use the Danger Area of Pirbright Range, which under MoD requirements state that all firearms used must either have a muzzle energy under 4,500 Joules (3,319 ft lbs), or else be zeroed at 200 yards or on the Bisley Zero Range prior to being used at a longer distance. If your ME exceeds the limit then you must zero your rifle, using the specially designed target, the day before the start of your particular Meeting
- **Firing Positions:** Prone, sitting, kneeling and standing. Para A3.2.22 of the CSR Handbook: A firer who has a physical disability (temporary or permanent) which prevents the use of a position specified in the match conditions may assume the next most difficult position instead. The CRO, RO and the MD must be informed before the start of the match. The following substitutions are among those permitted:
  - o a. The sitting position instead of the prone position
  - o b. The kneeling position instead of the sitting position
  - $\circ$   $\,$  c. The standing position instead of the kneeling position
  - d. The kneeling unsupported position (either on two knees or on one knee without resting the elbow on the knee) instead of the standing position
- **Squadding:** You will be 'squadded' into one of 4 groups, who will rotate between firing and operating targetry in the Butts. There will always be two groups on the firing point, and two in the butts at any time, so if you are physically unable to operate targets there should be additional competitors available to assist. Once entries to the event have closed you will be emailed a copy of the squadding.
  - If you are new to Historic SR and wish to be squadded alongside another competitor, please add a note to this effect on your entry form and we will try to arrange this
- **Targets:** Fig 12B at 100 yds (B&W Fig 12), then Fig 11 B at 200 and 300 yds (B&W Fig 11)
- Scoring:
  - o Fig 12: 5 for hits within the 300mm circle, remainder 4
  - Fig 11: 5 for hits within the '8' Scoring zone, remainder 4
- **On the Day:** Please head straight to the range for the 13:00 hrs Range Safety briefing (300 yard car park). Shooter Certification Cards (SCCs) will be checked if not held on Shooting Division records
- **Results:** Results will be input the day after the Competition and will be available online: <u>www.nra.org.uk/liveresults</u>
- **Challenging Results:** It is the competitor's responsibility on the day of the competition to ensure that the Wing Officer records their scores correctly. Any challenges of this nature must be made immediately on the day. Following the publishing of scores online competitors have until midday on the Thursday of the following week to contact the NRA for errors relating to the digitising of the hand recorded scores. Please email <u>competitions@nra.org.uk</u> with any challenges
- **Firearms Usage:** The NRA is required to keep a record of firearms used by competitors as required by the Firearms (Amendment) Acts 1997. Following a Competition please go to your online profile and update your firearms usage: <u>online.nra.org.uk/customer/firearmusages</u>
- Awards: NRA Medals and awards are awarded in each class subject to Prize List D of the NRA handbook:
  - o 2+ Entries: Gold Medal
  - o 6+ Entries: Gold and Silver Medal
  - o 11+ Entries: Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal
- **Prizegiving:** Prizegiving will take place on the range at the 300x Firing Point after the completion of shooting

### Terms of Entry:

- I agree I meet the entry criteria as stated in these Event Notes
- I confirm that the information given on the attached Entry form is true, complete and accurate

#### Access to firearms:

- I meet at least one of the following conditions that legitimises my access to firearms:
  - o I am an individual member of the NRA
  - o I make this declaration as a participant in an NRA Guest Day
  - I hold a Firearm Certificate or GB Visitor's Firearm Permit permitting me to use, for target shooting, the firearms that I shall fire in this event
  - I am a member of a Club Approved by the Home Office, the Scottish Ministers or the PSNI and will be shooting as a member of that club and will use any firearm for which I do not hold a Firearm Certificate only in accordance with the applicable exemptions to S1 Firearms Act 1968 as amended
- I am not a prohibited person within the meaning of Section 21 Firearms Act 1968 (as amended)
- I have never had a Firearm or Shotgun Certificate refused or revoked. (If you have, please enclose full details in a sealed envelope marked 'Confidential')

### Eligibility

- On the first day of the Event I will be aged fourteen years or over; OR I have the written approval of the NRA and the Event director to participate notwithstanding my age.
- I certify that I am qualified to participate in accordance with the Regulations and hold a current certificate of Safety and Competence, which I will present at the Event
- I am an individual member of the NRA; or by virtue of at least one of the following I meet the criteria to be granted, and I apply for, temporary membership of the NRA for the duration of the Event:
  - I hold a UK Firearm Certificate, GB Visitor's Firearm Permit or Permit under S7 Firearms Act 1968 authorising possession of a full-bore rifle, small-bore rifle or muzzle-loading pistol
  - o I am a full member of a club Approved by the Home Office, the Scottish Ministers or the PSNI
  - o I am a present member of HM Forces and have current military certification of competence with a full-bore rifle

#### Warnings:

- I agree that I have been warned that ear protection must and eye protection may be required to be worn at all times in the vicinity of all firing points while shooting is in progress, and shall not hold the organiser responsible for any injury resulting from non-compliance therewith. Any mandatory details will be contained within the specific Event Notes for each Event
- I agree to abide by the rules of the National Rifle Association and of the Event and I will accept the decisions of the Event Director or the NRA as final
- I agree that results of a Competition and classifications may be published on the internet or elsewhere containing my name, competitor number, class and score
- I understand that if I have debts to NRA or NSC Ltd over 90 days outstanding, squadding cards will not be issued to me until these have been settled in full