



NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Cottesloe Heath Challenge Competition Notes

Friday 19th – Sunday 21st June 2026

This event is governed by the rules laid out in the Target Shotgun Handbook, and in turn the NRA Handbook. Please ensure you are familiar with the rules of the competition. If you have any queries please contact competitions@nra.org.uk

Programme: This event is a full day match with 8/9 stages, **some of which can only be shot with solid slug**

Entry Requirement Summary (See Terms of Entry at the end of this document for full details):

- ✓ **Membership:** This competition is open to NRA Members. Shooters from other Home Office Approved Clubs are welcome but are required to pay the Non-Member Fee
- ✓ **Shooter Certification Card (SCC) in Target Shotgun:** If not in possession of a suitable SCC, shooters should email competitions@nra.org.uk before entering to apply for a temporary card
- ✓ **Age:** On the first day of the event, you must be aged 14 or over - please contact the event Competitions Team before entering if this is not the case

Entry Fee: £110. £66 U25s (40% discount for those that are under 25 years old on the day of the Event)

Lunch: £10 – Delivered to the range for the break for lunch, must be pre-booked:

Friday: Sweet & Sour Chicken with Rice

Saturday: Chicken, Chorizo and Smoked Ham Paella / Vegetable Paella, Ciabatta and Side Salad

Sunday: Roast Pork & Chicken/ Vegan Wellington, Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Puddings, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy

Team Entry Fee: £5 per team. Four shooters per team, with the best 3 scores to count. Team scores are derived from concurrent individual scores. Team nominations must be submitted to stats prior to the start of shooting

Non-Member Fee: £17.00 for entrants that are not members of the NRA

Entry Deadline: Thursday 11th June at midday

Cancellations: Cancellations must be received via email to competitions@nra.org.uk by **8am Wednesday 17th June.**

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

Making an entry: Entries can be made and paid for online via: online.nra.org.uk. A PDF copy of the entry form will be available from the webpage and can be returned via email or post. Competitors can only compete in each firearm class once.

Firearms Classes:

- **Standard:** Any Semi-Auto Action Shotgun with a fixed magazine, iron sights only
- **Standard Manual:** Any Manual Action Shotgun with a fixed magazine, iron sights only
- **Open:** Any Shotgun

Gallery Rifle ID (GRID): This is a unique index number that allows us to match up your scores from multiple events in TS Festivals, and is also used for the Cottesloe Heath Challenge and Action Weekend Competitions. Your GRID is listed on your membership profile and on our online booking website: online.nra.org.uk/customer/info. If not yet in possession of one, this will be issued when you make your entry

Courses of Fire: Please note the course of fire for the Cottesloe Heath Challenge varies at each Meeting, and is not known before the day of the event. You will receive a briefing on the day of the event at each stage. We advise bringing 100 rounds of birdshot (max size UK No. 4), and 30 solid slug. **Only Fibre wad ammunition is permitted on Cottesloe Heath**

Squadding: Once entries have closed your competitions will be allocated (squadded) to a specific squad which will be communicated to you via email. If you are new to the competition 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

Firing Positions: Para A3.4 of the TS Handbook: When entering a Meeting, a competitor who has a physical disability (temporary or permanent) which prevents the use of a position specified in the event conditions may apply to the Meeting Director for permission to use an alternative position. Such an application should be supported by medical evidence (e.g. a Doctor's note) whenever possible. The Meeting Director will determine which, if any alternative position(s) the competitor will be allowed to use in which event(s) and will notify the competitor of the decision. The competitor will typically be allowed to adopt the next most difficult position applicable to the event. This will vary between events but may include:

- a. Sitting instead of Prone
- b. Kneeling instead of Sitting
- c. Standing (strong or weak shoulder/hand) instead of Kneeling, Sitting or Prone
- d. Kneeling Unsupported instead of Standing

When you arrive: Please report directly to your starting stage on Cottesloe Heath for the event briefing. Timings of the briefing will be emailed prior to the event

Scoring: the Comstock scoring method is used for this event:

- Competitors have unlimited time to complete a stage and fire as many shots as they want
- The time is measured from the start signal until the last shot is fired
- 5 points are awarded per metal plate, or 5 points per A zone on paper targets
- Competitors are ranked by their hit factor, which is the ratio of points per second
- The competitor with the highest hit factor wins the stage

Results: Results will be available online shortly after the Competition via: www.nra.org.uk/liveresults

Challenging Results: It is the competitor's responsibility on the day of the competition to ensure that scores are input into the tablet correctly before being confirmed by the Range Officer. Any challenges to scores before they are signed off must be made immediately to the Range Team on the day. 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 the week following the event to contact the NRA for errors relating to the digitising of the hand recorded scores

Individual Awards: NRA awards are presented to the top placed individuals in each class, subject to the amount of entries:

- 2+ competitors: 1st Place Tankard and Gold medal
- 6+ competitors: 1st Place Tankard and Gold medal, 2nd Place Silver medal
- 11+ competitors: 1st Place Tankard and Gold medal, 2nd Place Silver medal, 3rd Place Bronze medal

Additional Awards: An NRA Gold medal will be presented to the highest scoring competitor in each class, in each of the below categories:

- Serving Member of the Military (including reserve forces), police or other emergency services
- Ex-Serving Member of the Military (including reserve forces), police or other emergency services
- Female
- Under 25

Team Awards: NRA medals will be presented to the top placed teams in each class, subject to the amount of entries:

- 2+ teams: NRA Gold medals
- 4+ teams: NRA Gold medals, 2nd Place Silver medals

Prizegiving: There is no Prizegiving at this event. Once the results are finalised the medals will be sent for engraving, with the aim to be available for competitors to collect from the National Open Championships in September. If not collected they will be posted out to competitors

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: online.nra.org.uk/customer/firearmusages

Terms of Entry:

- I agree I meet the entry requirements 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:
 - I am an individual member of the NRA (or temporary 'Meeting Member' by paying the Non-Member Fee)
 - 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')

Warnings:

- I agree to abide by the rules of the National Rifle Association and I will accept the decisions of the Event Director or the NRA as final
- I agree that results of the Competition and classifications may be published on the internet or elsewhere containing my name, competitor number, country, class and score
- I agree that I have read the NSC Range Regulations in regards to the wearing of ear protection, and Appendix III of the NRA Handbook in regards to the wearing of eye protection, and shall not hold the organiser responsible for any injury resulting from non-compliance therewith. Any mandatory details will be contained within these Event Notes
- I understand that if I have debts to NRA or NSC Ltd over 90 days outstanding, entry to this event will be restricted until these have been settled in full
- As an event entrant of the NRA, I acknowledge and agree to my data being held by the Association in accordance with the published GDPR policy on the NRA website: nra.org.uk/nra-data-privacy-notice-gdpr