



NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Historic Service Rifle Match Notes

Saturday 30th September 2023

- **Programme:**
 - **PM:** 100x Snap, 200x Snap, 200x Rapid, 300x Harassing Fire, 300x Snap (**Entry Fee: £23.00**)
- **Entry Deadline:** Tuesday 26th September at midday
- **Cancellations:** Cancellations must be received via email to competitions@nra.org.uk by **8am Thursday 28th September**. 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 an additional Non-NRA Member Fee (£8.70)
 - ✓ On the first day of the Competition you must be aged 14 or over (please contact the Competition Co-ordinator before entering if this is not the case)
- **Classes:**
 - **Classic:** Pre-1919 SMLEs
 - **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
 - **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
 - **Backsight:** A backsight as issued must be used. The wind-gauge if any must be set centrally
 - **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

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- **Making an entry:** Entries can be made and paid for online via: online.nra.org.uk. 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: online.nra.org.uk/customer/info
- **Discounts:** *(off entry fee only)*
 - ✓ **40% discount** for those that are under 25 years old on the last day of the Event
- **Courses of Fire:** Conditions and courses of fire are listed in a separate document on the online event page
- **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:
 - a. The sitting position instead of the prone position
 - b. The kneeling position instead of the sitting position
 - 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
- **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
- **Targets:** Fig 12B at 100 yds (B&W Fig 12), then Fig 11 B at 200 and 300 yds (B&W Fig 11)
- **Scoring:**
 - Fig 12: 5 for hits within the 300mm circle, remainder 4
 - Fig 11: 5 for hits within the 300mm circle, 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: www.nra.org.uk/liveresults
- **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 competitions@nra.org.uk 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: online.nra.org.uk/customer/firearmusages
- **Awards:** NRA Medals and awards are awarded in each class subject to Prize List D of the NRA handbook:
 - 2+ Entries: Gold Medal
 - 6+ Entries: Gold and Silver Medal
 - 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 within the details of the Event I am entering
- 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')
- I agree that I have been warned that ear and eye protection must 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
- I confirm that the information given in this form is true, complete and accurate
- I meet at least one of the following conditions:
 - I hold a Firearm Certificate permitting me to use the firearms that I shall fire in this competition for target shooting
 - I am a full member of a Home Office Approved Club and will be shooting as a full 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 will only shoot with airguns that are exempt from the requirements of S1 and S5 Firearms Act 1968 (as amended) and/or with shotguns falling within the limits of S2 Firearms Act 1968 (as amended)
- I agree to abide by the rules of the National Rifle Association and of the Meeting and I will accept the decisions of the Meeting 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