



News Shots

ICSI News – 23rd May 2022

This week in News Shots: No birds from France, License Fees Review, Cartridge Costs, Clinics, Something to Watch, Courses, Workshops, Zoom Seminars and Visits.

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NO CHICKS, POULTS OR EGGS FROM FRANCE FOR 22-23 SEASON



It now appears to be almost certain that the effects of the bird flu outbreak in France will mean that there will not be the usual supply of chicks, poults or eggs from France in time for the 22-23 season. The 90-day rule will not allow imports of birds or eggs from France until late October and this late date will almost certainly mean that imports will not come from France. We await the effect this will have on the 2022-23 game season and the number of shoot days offered to clients.

REVIEW OF LICENSING PRICING UNDERWAY

Malcolm Plant reports news from BSSC.



Kit Malthouse MP and Secretary for State has said that the Government is committed to the efficient and effective licensing system and to achieve a full cost recovery for the police. He states that, “we have commenced a review of licensing fees for police issued certificate, which will be informed by the Firearms Fees Working Group. The Working Group will carry out a detailed review of the costs to the police of

administering firearms licensing and develop proposals for revised fees, in accordance with HM Treasury Guidance.

The Firearms Fees Working Group will be chaired by the Home Office and comprise of representatives of the following organisations:

- National Police Chiefs’ Council
- Police Scotland

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- Association of Police and Crime Commissioners
- British Shooting Sports Council
- British Association for Shooting and Conservation (BASC)
- Gun Trade Association
- National Game Keepers Association
- Countryside Alliance
- Scottish Association for Countryside Sports
- Scottish Government and
- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- The proposals will be formulated and then subject to public consultation.

The key phrase is, in accordance with HM Treasury guidance, which restricts the scope of any increases in fees.

CONCERNS OVER CARTRIDGE COSTS



The Times highlighted the current problems affecting the ammunition market. The disruption to production and distribution during the Covid pandemic, the election of Joe Biden in the USA and the war in the Ukraine have all influenced the cost of all types of ammunition worldwide. As production recovered after the major effects of Covid the war in the Ukraine started. Much of modern ammunition for shotguns uses a powder which also has military uses and so is in short supply. Prices in the UK have risen by 25% in the last 12 months and some prices even

more. These price rises have been reflected in the footfall in shooting grounds, but major shoots remain well supported.

SHOTGUN FITTING & EYE DOMINANCE CLINIC TUESDAY 24TH MAY 2022

As you read this newsletter the first ICSI Clinic will be taking place in Wykeham. It is planned that this will be the first of a number of similar clinics to help develop coaches and instructors knowledge and understanding of many of the aspects of shooting.

A report on this clinic will feature in the next edition of News Shots.

SOMETHING TO WATCH.....

Steel Shot and Old English Shotguns

Some sound advice and some encouraging opinions.

<https://youtu.be/zo6NqxrAQmQ>

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WORKSHOPS AND CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A full list of Workshops and Courses are featured on the Institute Website.

To book a place on a workshop or course please do so on the web site.

Dates given below:

Coach and Instructor Development Workshops Course Calendar

Gun Fit and Eye Dominance Clinic

Wykeham
24th May 2022

Coach and Instructor Development Day

Kibworth
27th June 2022

Coach and Instructor Development Day (Follow up)

Oakedge
25th July

Coach and Instructor Development (Advanced)

Venue to be confirmed
September

Game Shooters and Loaders Course Calendar

Game Shooters and Loaders Course

Doveridge
6th July 2022

EXTERNAL VISITS & ZOOM SEMINARS

Visit to Birmingham Proof House

As I send this out, Paul Dancer is leading a visit to the Birmingham Proof House.

Report on visit next edition

Zoom Seminars

We hope to announce further Zoom Seminars in the near future.

ICSI ONLINE SHOP

The online shop is now up and running.

Items may be purchased and paid via our Institute PayPal account, normal debit and credit cards may be used and goods will be despatched as soon as possible

Please visit the website to view merchandise and prices

FINALLY.....

I am sure you have a tale or two related to your coaching experiences or information you have heard which would be of interest to other members or a photograph which would be good to share. Please send them to me for inclusion in News Shots on icsimembership@gmail.com

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If there are seminars which you would find useful and know of a provider, please let Simon Arbuckle know and we shall investigate if it is possible to provide a zoom seminar.

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