



News Shots

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MEMBERS SURVEY

For some time now your Council have been looking at ways in which we can provide members with opportunities to develop their skills and knowledge as Instructors and Coaches. To this end we have provided a raft of workshops, clinics, seminars and visits. Overall these have been well received, but it is now time to reach out to the membership to try and understand your expectations and needs so that we may provide members with opportunities, if possible, to fulfil these aspirations.

In the next few weeks you will receive links to a series of surveys. These surveys will progressively seek to pin down how the Council might meet the needs of the members.

The starting point really has to be, what are our members presently doing. Without this knowledge it is hard to find direction for the future.

Going forward, the results of the surveys will drive the future direction of the Institute, therefore it is vital that members participate so that they may influence the future activities of the Institute.

Please look out for the first of these surveys and please take a little time to complete and return your answers.

As each survey is completed we shall share the overall results and keep members informed. It is your Institute, please support the Council.



Photo by Alan Rampton Photography

WHAT'S ON

BRITISH OPEN SPORTING

30th August to 3rd Sept

WESTON PARK GAME FAIR (FORMERLY MIDLAND GAME FAIR)

Sunday 18th September 2023

Weston Park,
Weston-under-Lizard, Shifnal
TF11 8LE,

BRITISH OPEN SPORTING

30th Aug—3 Sept

Garlands Shooting Ground
Staffordshire

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NEWS FROM AROUND SHOOTING

Home Office Statistics

The Gun Trade Association have reported recently on the Home Office statistics regarding various forms of licensing. In the year up to March 2023 there has been a fall in the number of registered firearms dealers (RFD's) by 6% and the number gun licence holders have fallen by 4%. Overall the statistics show a downward trend in shotgun certificate holders. Shotgun shooting has lost nearly 100,00 people in the past 10 years going from 583,000 in 2014 to just over 25,00 this year.

Clearly this is worrying news and Graham Downing of the British Shooting Sports Council points out that although worrying the reasons have to be seen in the context of the pandemic and the fact that several forces suspended grants of certificates.



The statistics also point to the fact that shooters are getting older with 67% of shotgun shooters now over 50 years of age. The need to broaden shotgun shooting to a younger audience has never been more important.

A reminder to members that the consultation on firearms licensing is still open until the 23rd of August and both BASC and the CPSA encourage members to respond to the consultation.

Armed Police Stop Legal Pigeon Shoot

Manchester police raided a legal pigeon shoot and confiscated the shooters shotguns even though they had valid certificate, the landowner confirmed they had permission to shoot over his land and they had not committed any offence. Police had received a complaint and then stopped the shoot. The police have not returned the firearms of given any explanation as to why they took possession of the legally owned shotguns.

United Utilities Ban Grouse Shooting

United Utilities have informed all shoot lease holders that they will not be renewing their leases for shooting over their land.

The company which supplies water across the North West of England will close down all grouse shooting on its land by

2027. Duncan Thomas of BASC commented that the decision was disgraceful and made without consultation and will ruin the relationship between the company, the rural population



and the wildlife across the North Est.

MP Raises GL43 Crisis in Parliament

Sir Jeffrey Clifton-Brown MP, Chairman of the all party shooting and conservation group and Vice President of BASC, raised the issue in Parliament criticising Defra timing on their policy regarding the release of birds. He claims that Defra knew the timetable of bird releases and took action at the last minute throwing many shoots into disarray and causing great losses within the shooting community.

Nathan Hales wins Gold at ISSF Championships!



Congratulations are also due to **Nathan Hales**, who won gold in OT out at the ISSF Championships In Lonato, Italy. Nathan showed impressive skills in the qualification round, finishing in first place with a score of 123/125. In the final, he main-

tained his performance - dropping only one target to finish on 49/50 and earning him a well deserved victory against Qi Ying (CHN).

This is an incredible achievement that sets a new World Record at the ISSF World Cup, breaking the six-year record set by Alberto Fernandez (ESP) of 48/50 targets.

The Podium Positions

Gold - Nathan Hales, GBR

Silver - Qi Ying, China

Bronze - Pirthviraj Tondaiman, India

Richard Faulds Wins British Open Skeet

Richard Faulds won the British Open Skeet at East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground. After gwinning the World Sports Trap at EJ Church-



COUNTRY AND GAME FAIRS

WILTSHIRE GAME AND COUNTRY FAIR

Sat & Sun 12th & 13th August
Bowood House, Calne, Wiltshire
SN11 0LZ

CHESHIRE GAME & COUNTRY FAIR

Bank Holiday Sunday & Monday
27th and 28th August
Cheshire County Showground
Talbey, Knutsford, Cheshire
WA16 0HJ

SANDRINGHAM GAME AND COUNTRY FAIR

Sat & Sun 9th & 10th September
Sandringham Estate, Kings Lynn
Norfolk PE 35 6EN

SANDRINGHAM CHRISTMAS CRAFT, FOOD AND GIFT FAIR

Fri, Sat & Sun 17th, 18th & 19th
November
Sandringham Estate, Kings Lynn
Norfolk PE 35 6EN

For more details go to:
www.livingheritaageevents.co.uk

ills, Richard again shows his superb versatility by winning the British Open Skeet with a score of 100. His son Charlie took the Colts with a 95. Well done Richard

	NAME OF WINNER	CPSA NO	SCORE ex 100	S/O RES.*
HIGH GUN	Richard Faulds	EE187	100	*
RUNNER UP OF MATCH	Peter Chester	EE9471	100	*
THIRD OVERALL	Henry Bales	EE138368	100	*
CLASS AA				
1ST	Archie Stannard	EE132396	99	
CLASS A				
1ST	John Dyson	EE7027	100	
CLASS B				
1ST	Ross Nabney	EE52646	98	
CLASS C				
1ST	George Billington	EE141839	92	

MEMBERS WORKING ON THE CPSA CLAY LINE AT THE GAME FAIR

Every year the CPSA run a clay line at the Game Fair, helping literally hundreds of visitors, to the show, have perhaps their first experience of clay shooting.

This event relies on CPSA instructors and coaches giving their time and efforts and passing on their passion in the hope of attracting new shooters to the sport. As you can see from the HO statistics this is a really necessary activity.

In the photo are :

Steve Williams, Nick Haycock, Lee Wilcoxson, Derek Wetter,

Larry Armistead, Simon Arbuckle, and Patrick Jones.

Phil Ellison was also part of the team but is not in the photo



CPSA Courses

ESP Level 2 - Coach Training Course - Northampton Shooting Ground

Monday 18th – 20th September 2023

ESK Level 2 - Coach Training Course - Northampton Shooting Ground

Monday 18th – 20th September 2023

Trap Level 2 - Coach Training Course - Northampton Shooting Ground

Monday 18th – 20th September 2023

In order to attend a coaching course, at least a year must have elapsed between the L1 and the L2 course or one L2 course and another. Also the candidate must have completed the 3 day Common Element which includes the 3 Coach Development Workshops in ESP, ESK & Trap and qualified as a Referee in their chosen discipline. Those who have previously completed a 2 day Common Element will need to complete a one day discipline specific Workshop prior to attending the CTC.

See www.cpsa.co.uk/courses for more details



RISE IN CARS BEING STOLEN IN THE UK



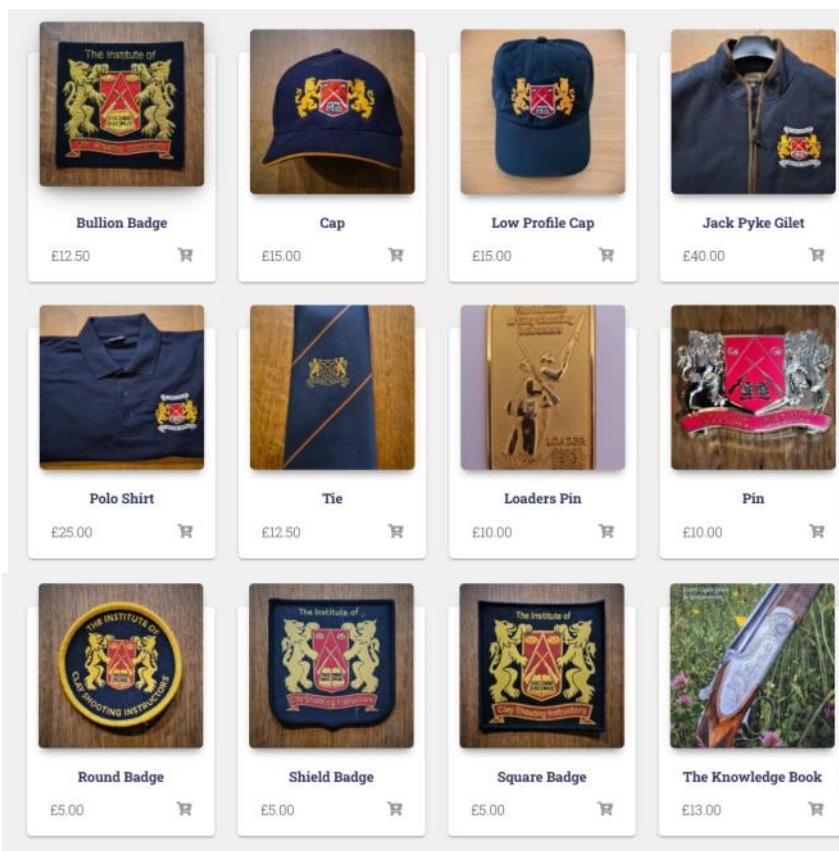
According to data from the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA), approximately one out of every 100 Land Rovers in circulation was reported stolen between April 2022 and March 2023. These statistics reveal that Land Rovers are three times more likely to be stolen compared to the second most popular target for thieves, which is the Mercedes-Benz.

The concerning situation in car theft is highlighted by information obtained by Confused.com through Freedom of Information requests. Out of the 896,948 licensed Land Rovers in the UK, 8,284 were reported stolen during this period, resulting in a ratio of 924 thefts per 100,000 vehicles.

Notably, Land Rover models dominate the top – 10 most stolen list, with six of their vehicles featured. The Range Rover Velar R-Dyn emerged as the most frequently targeted model.

Obviously the theft of any vehicle is distressing but many are stolen off drives when being made ready to go away. Clearly if you have packed your car with guns and your equipment, for a days coaching, such a loss will be considered badly by Police.

ICSI MERCHANDISE—WEB SITE SHOP



The items shown on the left may be purchased on the web site in the members area. If you attend a workshop or clinic Jason normally has a selection of shop items for sale on the day.

Now back in stock, the Jack Pyke Gilet sell out very quickly so don't delay in ordering..

THE INSTITUTE OF CLAY SHOOTING INSTRUCTORS

Founded in 1987, The Institute of Clay Shooting Instructors is a formal, non-profit making organisation serving Clay Shooting Coaches and Instructors.

The 'Aim' of the Institute is to deliver 'Continuous Professional Development' for the membership at all levels, through a variety of channels.

The 'Objectives' of the Institute are set to provide resources and opportunities that allow individuals to progress their skillsets in coaching, within a mutually supportive network.

SOMETHING TO WATCH

James Stewart of Longthorne Guns services a one of his guns for a client. He also gives tips regarding the care and cleaning of one of his guns. James is an Institute member and has shared his knowledge with members at our AGM and during factory tours.

<https://youtu.be/IVnql6d97eE>



AND FINALLY.....

ICSI Council

Chairman: John Robinson

Treasurer: Dr Malcolm Plant

Registrar & Membership:

John Cullinan

Courses & Shop: Jason Rowntree

Zoom Seminars: Simon Arbuckle

CPSA Links: Steve Williams

PR and Press Derek Wetter

Keith Stoker

If you have anything related to your activities as a coach or shooter that you think might be of interest to other shooters and coaches please send it in. It may be a funny incident, a snippet picked up in a gun shop or from a Police Enquiry Officer, from a ground owner or client, it may be a funny picture and an unusual picture.

Remember, this is your Institute.

