

KENT COUNTY SMALLBORE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

BISLEY NEWSLETTER



National Smallbore Rifle Championships, 14th - 21st August 2010

In August this year a record number of Kent Shooters took part in the annual National Championships at Bisley, with some great successes.



Individual Achievements

Individual shooting at the National Championships is formed of three elements; the Weekend Aggregate, the Grand Aggregate, shot during the week, and the Earl Roberts British Championship. The Aggregates are shot in 5 classes, over 50m and 100yds, with an average of 100 competitors in each class.

Outstanding Kent success of the Championships included:

- ❖ Neil Umpleby of Faversham Rifle Club, who, shooting in his first ever Bisley, won the Weetabix Challenge Cup for winning Competition 5 (60 shots at 50m) in Class C
- ❖ Dave Robinson, also of Faversham Rifle Club, who won the Jaeger Championship Trophy for winning Competition 6 (60 shots at 100yds) in Class C
- ❖ Diane Russell of Ashford & District Rifle Club finished in 3rd place in the Womens Open Meeting Championship

- ❖ Promotion earned by
 - Darren Sprules of Faversham and Ashford Rifle Clubs by finishing 9th in the Grand Aggregate in Class A – next year Darren will be shooting in class X,
 - Clive Varrall of Ramsgate & Dover Rifle Club and Keith Adair of Ashford & District Rifle Club, who finished 4th and 11th respectively in the Grand Aggregate in Class B, and will both be shooting in Class A next year.
 - Robin Miller of St Nicholas Rifle Club, who finished 8th in the Weekend Aggregate in Class C, and will be shooting in Class B next year (N.B. all promotions subject to confirmation)

Congratulations also to

Darren Sprules, who was the top-scoring Kent competitor in the Grand Aggregate, and to

Diane Russell and Darren Sprules who qualified for the second stage of the Earl Roberts British Championship, and to Graham Freeman (Ramsgate & Dover Rifle Club) and Neil Umpleby who qualified for the second stage of the BOBs (Classes B, C and D)

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Weekend Aggregate

23 Kent competitors competed in the Weekend Aggregate competition, firing 120 shots in a total of 3 competitions, with three further aggregate competitions. The Weekend Aggregate is unsquadded, with shooters from a mixture of classes on each detail.

NAME	CLUB	SCORE	CLASS	CLASS PLACINGS
M West	Sevenoaks Seniors	1148	A	5 th Comp 10a Class A
M Ashby	Faversham	1144	B	9 th Comp 10a Class B
J Bennett	Edenbridge	1143	B	7 th Comp 10 Class B
R Miller	St Nicholas	1140	C	8th Weekend Aggregate Class C 8 th Comp 9 Class C 7 th Comp 10b Class C
A Parkinson	Ashford & District	1137	A	7 th Comp 10 Class A
D Sprules	Ashford & District	1137	A	
Mrs R Cargill-Thomson	Sevenoaks Seniors	1137	B	
J Watterson	St Nicholas	1129	B	
J Clark	St Nicholas	1128	B	
J M Wilkes	Ashford & District	1118	B	
M Tranter	Borough of Wandsworth	1112	C	
S Wright	Ashford & District	1109	C	
D Robinson	Faversham	1108	C	
M Cox	St Nicholas	1095	D	
J Robinson	Faversham	1093	B	
R J Atkinson	Edenbridge	1089	B	
E J Crippin	Swalecliffe	1079	C	
Miss V Redman	Sevenoaks School	1068	D	
Mrs C Mills	Ramsgate & Dover	1067	D	
D Mills	Ramsgate & Dover	1059	C	
N Robinson	Sevenoaks School	1050	C	
M Jones	Sevenoaks School	1019	C	
F Harris	Sevenoaks School	1011	D	

Grand Aggregate

18 Kent shooters competed in the week-long Grand Aggregate. The Aggregate consists of 6 separate competitions, with a total of 280 shots. The competitions are squadded, so that all shooters from a particular class shoot at the same time in the same conditions.

NAME	CLUB	SCORE	CLASS	CLASS PLACINGS
D Sprules	Ashford & District	2665	A	9 th Grand Agg Class A 2 nd Comp 2
Clive Varrall	Ramsgate and Dover	2661	B	4 th Grand Agg Class B 5 th Comp 5
K I Adair	Ashford & District	2650	B	11 th Grand Agg Class B 4 th Comp 6
Miss D M Russell	Ashford & District	2644	X	
R Taylor	Borough of Wandsworth	2643	X	
G M Freeman	Ramsgate and Dover	2630	B	4 th Comp 1
J D Watterson	St Nicholas	2628	B	
J D Bennett	Edenbridge	2618	B	
J M Wilkes	Ashford & District	2616	B	
M J Ashby	Faversham	2615	B	
N U Umpleby	Faversham	2609	C	1st Comp 5
D M Robinson	Faversham	2602	C	1st Comp 6
J P Robinson	Faversham	2594	B	
M Tranter	Borough of Wandsworth	2578	C	
Mrs S F Adair	Ashford & District	2573	C	
M Arvidson	St Nicholas	2538	C	
R J Atkinson	Edenbridge	2522	B	
T R Payne	Faversham	2465	B	

In the unsquadded competitions during the week:

- ❖ In the Womens' Open Meeting Championship (Bisley or Scotland) Diane Russell finished in 3rd place
- ❖ In the Women's Bisley Championship, Diane Russell finished in 5th place
- ❖ In the Life and Annual Members competition, Neil Umpleby earned 7th place in Class C
- ❖ In the Prince William of Wales Competition, Sue Adair earned 5th Place in Class C
- ❖ In the Veterans Competition, Robin Taylor earned 7th Place in Class X, and Robin Miller earned 3rd Place in Class C

County Teams

County 50m Competition – Wednesday 18th August

The team, selected on the basis of 50m in the Grand Aggregate, put in a very steady shoot and ended in a highly credible 11th place out of 25 county teams overall.

Diane Russell	581
Keith Adair	580
Darren Sprules	575
Clive Varrall	572
Robin Taylor	570
Graham Freeman	569
	3447



Kent County 50m Team (plus Rocky the lucky mascot!)

Alongside this, the County Ladies 50m competition was fired, Kent ending in 12th place with one of our highest ever totals.

Diane Russell	581
Sue Adair	564
Cynthia Mills	551
	1696



County Sextette – Thursday 19th August

The Kent team, selected from the Grand Aggregate scores up to Wednesday, finished in 20th place out of 27 County teams in the single dewar competition.

Robin Taylor	385
Clive Varrall	379
Keith Adair	375
John Bennett	375
Graham Freeman	372
Darren Sprules	371
	2257

Astor – Friday 17th August

The Astor is a single dewar course, shot for by a club team of six, representing the county, and this year St Nicholas Rifle Club won the right to represent Kent. Only John Watterson had the benefit of having been shooting the week, the unkind Bisley winds coming as a bit of a shock to the rest of the St Nics team, who finished in 16th place.

PJS Smith	377
W Shepherd	373
R Miller	372
J D Watterson	367
J Dowe	363
R Martin	360
	2212



The 2010 Kent Astor Team: St Nicholas RC

Queen Alexandra Cup

In the absence of the Kent County team qualifying for the Queen Alexandra Competition, Ashford and District RC competed in the Queen Alexandra Club Team competition, while Steve Wright represented Kent as the County's individual qualifier in the competition, finishing in 13th place.

	Deliberate	Time Limit	Skirmisher	Total
Diane Russell	194	193	11	398
Steve Wright	193	188	7	388
Keith Adair	191	179	10	380
				1166



Queen Alex Individual and Club Team Shooters Keith Adair, Diane Russell, Steve Wright

Social Scene

The Annual Kent Dinner was held on its now traditional spot of the Thursday evening at the Marylebone Pistol Clubhouse. This year 23 Kent shooters and their 'entourage' enjoyed a great BBQ and Curry night, fabulously cooked by Bob Atkinson and John Bennett.



Other Photos...



It wasn't *that* muddy...!



Happy Campers!



Neil prepares for his next victory



Keith shooting in the County Sextette



the range looking deceptively calm and summery...!



Graham prepares his rifle for the County match

