

**DERBY RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB 1999**  
**Twyford Range**  
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**DRPC 1999 NEWSLETTER – November 2016**

Dear Member,

Once again the end of the year is nearly upon us! Since my last newsletter the Committee has continued to work on your behalf and ensure that the club facilities have been improved and updated. The committee intend to install CCTV outside in the car park, both inside and outside the access door to the 25 metre range. The camera on the inside is to monitor the armoury in the event of an alarm call. This is to ensure members' safety, in particular when members are alone shooting on the 25 metre range. A monitor will be installed in the clubhouse lounge to enable members to view outside before they leave the range.

Nigel Waring stepped down mid 2016 as Chairman due to work commitments. Peter Lomas has taken over and will be standing again for the 2017-2018 shooting session. Many thanks to Nigel Waring who has led the club over 10 years and has overseen many changes that have taken place during his tenure.

The club has continued to grow and we now have 160 members - it has now closed its doors to new membership, our growth shows the reputation that the club has and the facilities that we are able to provide.

The club held its usual Open which attracted over 100 shooters from around the country, testament again to the good organisational skills and the time that Jim Smith, Pete Lomas, Dave Holt and many more members who gave their time to ensure that the event was a great success - congratulations to all who took part.

**AGM 29th January.**

The AGM will be held on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2017. There will be the usual buffet afterwards, the venue is yet to be decided and will be posted on the board in the club house and on the website. The agenda and minutes from the AGM held in January 2016 will be posted on the website in the first week of January 2017. If you have any items that you want to raise at the AGM you need to get them to me by the end of December – I look forward to seeing members at the meeting. The committee are also in the process of completing a new three year development plan for the club and this will be presented to members at the AGM.

### **Signing in the log books in the club lounge.**

Can I remind members to ensure that they have signed in on their personal file (as well as in the signing in book at the entrance of the club house) which is located in the club lounge. Police are requesting to know what rifles and pistols members have been shooting throughout the year - if you fail to record what you have shot it will be reflected in my letter back to the police and may have an impact on what rifles and pistols the police are happy for you to have on your firearm certificate.

### **RO Duties.**

A continual concern throughout 2016 has again been club days and nights when we struggle to have the appropriate Range Officers available. Many gaps have occurred again. Can I remind members of their individual commitment to carry out range duties when joining DRPC 1999. **Not putting your name down for a duty till the last minute could result in no space being available, resulting in a fine.** The rota for 2017 will be placed on the 25 metre point before Christmas so to avoid falling foul of the fine levied according to the club constitution, please ensure you enter name for RO duty as soon as possible and if you have not put your name down for this year please do so as soon as possible.

### **Lone Attendance Policy.**

A additional risk of lone shooting was highlighted by Mr Frank Haxton who signed the club certification certificates for DRPC1999 ranges. This prompted discussion between the secretary, the NSRA and NRA. The latter had no issues with members shooting on their own as long as a policy was in place. Peter Lomas constructed a document which the committee have agreed on, this is now on the website with a copy in the club house, the document will need to be ratified by the membership at the AGM. Could members please familiarise themselves with this policy as well as the health and safety policy document. There has also been a change in the Disciplinary section of the Club constitution, again could you familiarise yourself with this.

### **Christmas shoot and Club Dinner.**

There will be a Christmas shoot held on Sunday 11th December 2016 commencing at 10:00 am. The proceeds will go to the Air Ambulance again and the committee have agreed to match the amount collected.

### **Security.**

Could members ensure that they wear their I.D.Cards at all times and be prepared to challenge anybody not wearing one. If members have any concerns regarding members of the public turning up at the range and asking questions which give them cause for concern please contact either the Chairman, Peter Lomas or the Secretary, giving a good description of the persons and recording what they have said.

### **Members Addresses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers**

There have been a number of occasions when members have failed to pass on either change of address, email or telephone number. It is important that the club Secretary has current contact numbers and addresses and for our webmaster Jim Smith so that relevant information can be sent out to members. I would be grateful if members could ensure that this information is made available.

**DRPC1999**

Some members may well be aware that there are issues between some of the owners of the Twyford complex and may be concerned for the Club. Do not be alarmed. DRPC1999 will continue to shoot on its present location and be run by its own Committee for many years to come. If members are approached and what has been said to them causes them concern please contact the secretary or the chairman who can take the appropriate action.

**Attendances at outside competitions.**

Throughout the year there has been great success at open comps. DRPC 1999 has been well represented not only by the old guard (P.Lomas, J.Smith, D.Holt) but also by many new members. Congratulations to all who have been successful during 2016. Tim Mepham has worked tirelessly to ensure that there have been many club competitions available for members to participate in - long may he continue to be the club competition officer.

K.C.Robinson.  
Secretary DRPC 1999