



**Bedfordshire Smallbore Shooting  
Association**



# **The BSSA Grand Prix**

## **English Match Competition**

### **Information Sheet**

Thanks for your interest in the BSSA Grand Prix Open Shoot. We hope to be able to answer any questions you might have about the competition, as well as give you some help with filling out the entry form.

#### **Where does the shoot take place?**

The shoot will take place at Bedford Rifle Club, Clapham Road, Bedford, MK41 6EN.

#### **What will the 'Course of Fire' be?**

There will be three details of 20 minutes and 20 shots each with 10 minutes to change targets/details. If you're feeling up to it you can shoot in the extra competition – another 40 shots at 100yd over two further details.

#### **How much does it cost?**

The entry fee for the main competition is **£15** and the extra 40-shots will cost an additional **£8**. The good news is that if you're a junior (aged under 18 or under 21 and still in full-time education) the entry fee is just **£10** for the main competition and **£5** for the extra one.

Any profits made from the shoot will contribute towards the new county range fund as well as improvements for shooters across Bedfordshire county.

#### **How do I work out my average?**

To make sure you're competing against shooters of similar skill we'll need an average from you using recent scores from a competition you've shot in. Please take the last six 25 yard cards you shot, fill in the scores on the entry form and work out your average from the best five of those. If you're unsure or need any help then just let us know.

Note that if you've been nationally classified in X Class in the last five years, we'll automatically put you into X Class. For everyone else we'll split classes out as evenly as possible so you'll have some good competition on the day.



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### **How long do I have to enter?**

The final entry date is 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025. Late entries may be considered if there is sufficient space at the range.

### **What prizes are available?**

We have NSRA vouchers of various denominations up for grabs as prizes for the main competition – awarded for those placing between 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place in each class. All prizes will be presented after the shoot, at approximately 4:30PM on Sunday.

### **Can you give me my squadding details via post instead of email?**

We're happy to send your squadding details (i.e. the time and details of your on-the-day shoot) via post. If you'd like us to do this then simply include a self-addressed and stamped envelope with your entry form and we'll use it to send your information to you. Otherwise, we'll issue these via email.

### **Will there be refreshments available?**

There sure will! Our Catering Manager Rita Blackwell will be on site with light refreshments for sale throughout the day. Rita is always looking for helpers so if you or anyone accompanying you can lend a hand then please do let her know on 01582 690011.

### **What happens if there's a tie on the day?**

In the event of a tie, we'll decide who places higher by using 'Countback'. This means that we'll look at the last individual card each of the tying shooters completed and see which scored higher. We'll continue to count backwards until we have a winner.

### **What if I want to challenge my scores on the day?**

If you think your score may have been miscalculated on the day, our scorers will be on hand to re-score cards at a cost of £2 each. If you win the challenge then you'll get the £2 back.

Any disputes over the results of challenges or the conduct of the event should be referred to the Event Committee on the day. To appeal any decision made by the Event Committee, please contact the BSSA Secretariat (contact details below) in writing within 30 days.

### **What if I want to give you feedback?**

Our aim is to provide you with an enjoyable experience, so we'd love to hear any feedback you have to offer. Whether positive or negative, it will all help us improve events we organise in the future. Please feel free to speak to event organisers on the day or talk to the Secretariat, Maria Popham, via [bssasec@gmail.co.uk](mailto:bssasec@gmail.co.uk).