

Welsh Target Shooting Federation

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The Welsh Target Shooting Federation (WTSF) is delighted to announce that the High-Performance Manager for the WTSF, Mr William John Dallimore has been honoured in the Queen's Birthday Honours List, being made a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (MBE).

John has been involved in the sport of Target Shooting for over 50 years, for the first 20 years as an athlete, representing Wales and GB, and thereafter playing a leading role as Wales Team Manager for over 30 years.

When Sport Wales identified Shooting as a leading medal winning sport in Wales, he was instrumental in setting up the structure to ensure that the funding received from Sport Wales was used to greatest effect in terms of the number of Commonwealth Games medals won in shooting events and developing athletes to reach their full potential, across the country.

This reached an all-time high with the latest Commonwealth Games 2018 at Gold Coast, Australia, where Shooting was top of the Medal Table, across all Sport in Wales, with 2 Gold, 2 Silver and 1 Bronze medal won. Representing 20% of the total Gold medals won by Wales.

The facilities created for our Sport at High Performance level at Sports Wales National Centre at Sophia Gardens, Cardiff, are second to none, ensuring that our athletes have the optimum conditions to train under. These were made possible by John's determination and drive. He is passionate about his sport, to the degree that it is not restricted to target shooting within Wales. He is well known to give his time freely to those other Home Country Teams that seek to gain advice from his experience.

John is President of the Commonwealth Shooting Federation (European Division) and can be proud of his achievements, having overseen the start-up of the Commonwealth Federation (ED) and presiding over Wales successfully hosting the event in 2017. This was the first time in the Commonwealth European programme, that the event hosted Athletes and Para Athletes side by side in competition; a world-wide first.

John, is also Chair of his local club, Torfaen, which is the most successful club in Wales, winning the Wales and Monmouthshire league on a regular basis and successfully forging links with the wider community and particularly the Schools and Scouts in Wales.

John is married to Margaret, living in Cwmbran, they have a son Garan, daughter Ceri and grandson Tobias.

All members of Welsh Shooting are proud of John's achievements on their behalf. It is extremely rare for such an honour to be bestowed on an individual involved with our Sport.