



“How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world” (Anne Frank)



First Newsletter of the New Year.

Congratulations for the hard work to WTSF Executive and Board members in achieving a score of 13/15 with the Sport Wales “Self-assurance” score for 2014-15.

Great Britain Academy Programme (GBAP)

The programme is on-going with Welsh involvement, Ben Llewellyn-Skeet, Coral Kennerley-Pistol events and Michael Bamsey Rifle events involved.



Target Tokyo

We have a number of athletes currently going through selection process for British Shooting/UK Sport led “Target Tokyo”.

This will be in three Phases

1. **Phase one** was a one day selection process with just basic skills being sought by experienced coaches,
2. **Phase two** a two day process with more technical involvement
3. **Phase three** is more detailed involvement with an estimated small number still in contention for further involvement with the British Shooting World Class system.

Welsh athletes involved in Target Tokyo

- Shotgun are already on “Phase two” and there are a number (5) of Welsh Shotgun athletes involved after selection from Phase one
- Welsh athletes were participating in Rifle & Pistol at Bisley 24/25th January “Phase two” involved with 6 Rifle and 4 Pistol Welsh athletes competing in Phase two. Each of these athletes will/have been asked to train with Wales training squads. (It’s expected that Phase three of the Rifle and Pistol will take place at the High Performance ranges in Cardiff over the Easter weekend)

2015 World Cup selections. (to date)

Elena Allen

Women’s skeet UAE and Cyprus

Sarah Wixey

Women’s Trap Mexico.

Sadly Sarah has withdrawn from selection

Paul Gunn

For the World Cup in Gabala Azerbaijan has been appointed on the “Jury of appeal”. He will be covering all the Rifle/Pistol/Shotgun events.





Latest on 2018 Commonwealth Games

Mid Jan there was a meeting with CGW and all sports involved with Gold Coast 2018 to discuss selection policies. The meeting was chaired by CGW CEO Chris Jenkins. It was strongly stated that agreed standards for Gold Coast 2018 that are lower than Glasgow 2014 are not going to be accepted by Sport Wales and the CGW Board. All 2018 sports standards and policies have to be sanctioned with the CGW board and published on relevant Sports websites prior to the end of **November 2016**. Where sports cannot agree to stricter standards CGW reserve the right to set standards.

Shotgun training

Two members of the High Performance squad attend warm weather training camps and competitions in Malaga:

27th Nov – 1st Dec. also 15th -19th Jan

Disability matters Shotgun ISSF

<http://www.issf-sports.org/news.ashx?newsid=2187>

Matt Goodwin secured the silver medal in the "Disabled Olympic Trap" event in Malaga.

Air gun Competition Wolverhampton 17th-18th Jan.

Hannah Davies returned to win the Junior Women's competition and Emily Shawyer (on her thirteenth birthday) winning the overall silver medal in the air pistol final against senior men.

Latest from Griffin Lloyd



John.

Wm. John Dallimore.

WTSF  Performance Director

ISSF Rifle and Pistol training and news

There are monthly weekend sessions, mainly at Cardiff with WSRA and with the WAA

Coral Kennerley and Shawnee Bourner are training regularly at Bisley with the GBR 25mtr squad led by Steve Pengelly and ably assisted by John Kelman. John Kelman also held successful Air Pistol sessions at both Cardiff and Carmarthen and producing a steady stream of young pistol shooters

Fullbore

Gareth (Gaz) Morris has emigrated to New Zealand and earlier this month competed at the New Zealand open at Trentham range near Wellington and finished a creditable third position.



Gaz enjoying the company in NZ

New Range – Olympic Skeet: The concreting of the path/stations and High/Low tower area are all complete (image below). The high/low towers will be erected next month.

Brown Tourist Sign: Powys County Council confirmed that the sign is being manufactured and estimates 2 ½ months for completion.