

The Schools Challenge

*in association with
The Oxford Gun Company*

Newsletter

**- 2008 Schools Challenge date -
Wed 23rd April 2008**

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Firstly I'd like to start by wishing you all a happy New Year and great success in all your shooting throughout the coming year. We've set a date for the Schools Challenge - **Wednesday 23rd April 2008**. I'm also proud to welcome **Webley & Scott** as our new major sponsor this year!

The Schools Challenge Cartridge

At The Oxford Gun Company we've been teaching youngsters to shoot for many years. One of our main concerns over the years is what we consider to be the over development of cartridges. The trend to develop increasingly fast cartridges has had two sides affect - more recoil and increased noise. We feel that both of these aren't good for youngsters. With this in mind we've worked with Roger Hurley from Express to produce a cartridge with light recoil, which still kills well. These cartridges are ideal to help minimise the effect of shooting on growing youngsters. We're proud to be using these cartridges at this year's Schools Challenge.

This year's Schools Challenge

This year the main event will be a 60 bird sporting shoot, which is open to any school or individuals under the age of 21. Entry fees are £30 per person, including 60 Express cartridges to be used in the competition £150 per team of five.

Timings:-

Due to popular demand we've decided to have the entries in two time slots - the first will start shooting at 10am, finishing around 1pm. The second will start shooting at 1pm, finishing around 4pm. Therefore you must be here and ready to shoot **half an hour before you are due to start shooting**.

Time slots will be allocated on a first-come-first-allocated basis, but we'll try to accommodate those travelling the greatest distances, and local schools will be allocated morning slots to help with this.

Extras on the day:-

We'll still have the extra events on the day, including the Cynergy Challenge Rabbit Mania and the Webley & Scott Pool Shoot – along with the Pro-Shot Shooting Simulator – all there for some added fun on the day!

Photos:-

We have a photographer on hand taking photos all through the day, hoping to capture some great moments. These'll be available to buy on the day, or through their web site - www.Pics-4-U.co.uk.

Food:-

Please ensure that competitors bring sufficient funds with them on the day as we'll not only have photos to buy, but will also have catering onsite in the Old Barn for lunch and snacks, as well as other side events throughout the day.

Prizes:-

Prizes will be awarded to the following:

Prep:

High Team - Webley & Scott goodies + Schools Challenge perpetual trophy and individual trophies

Prizes also awarded for High Gun, Runner Up, Ladies High Gun, Ladies Runner Up

Senior:

High Team - Webley & Scott 900 over & under Shotgun worth £700, Webley & Scott perpetual trophy + Schools Challenge perpetual trophy and individual trophies.

Prizes also awarded for High Gun, Runner Up, Ladies High Gun, Ladies Runner Up

We've not quite finalised our prizes yet – details will be posted on the website soon.

Our Sponsors

This year our sponsors include:-

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Webley & Scott

Our website

www.theschoolschallenge.co.uk

Hopefully you've found our website by now, and kept up-to-date with what's happening this year? The site provides news, photos and event information, and is regularly updated. Newsletters and entry forms will be downloadable. If you have any suggestions on how you feel we can improve it we'd love to hear from you.

2007 Results

If you missed them, here are the results of last year's event:-

Team Results

<u>Senior School Results</u>	1 st Millfield School Boys	254
	2 nd Stowe School A	242
	3 rd Wellington College A	241
<u>Prep School Results</u>	1 st Bruern Abbey A	151
	2 nd Bruern Abbey B	135

Individuals Results

<u>Seniors boys</u>	1 st Alex Dolan (<i>Millfield School</i>)	58
	2 nd Chris Whitingham (<i>Seaford College</i>)	57
<u>Seniors Girls</u>	1 st Hattie Sloggett (<i>Millfield School</i>)	51
	2 nd Celia Baker (<i>Millfield School</i>)	49
<u>Prep Results boys</u>	1 st Oliver Meekins (<i>Worth Abbey</i>)	53
	2 nd Daniel Wicker (<i>Headingham School</i>)	48
<u>Prep Results Girls</u>	1 st Victoria Young-Jamieson (<i>Millfield School</i>)	37
	2 nd Hayley Wood (<i>Tudor Hall</i>)	34

The shooting was excellent last year - but let's see if we can raise the standard even further this year!

We're really looking forward to welcoming you for this year's Schools Challenge 2008, at The Oxford Gun Company!

With kind regards,

David Florent

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