



The Schools Challenge

in association with
The Oxford Gun Company

"The Biggest Young Shots' Organisation in the UK!"

Newsletter

- 2010 Schools Challenge date -

**Wednesday 10th March 2010 at Oxford Gun Co and
Sunday 2nd May at Bredon School**

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The Biggest Young Shots Organisation In The U.K

Over £40,000 in Prizes!!

In Conjunction with Prescott Shooting

Main Sponsors for 2010:-

**Browning, Webley & Scott and
Stratstone Land Rover Cheltenham**

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 the dates for the Schools Challenge – at **Oxford Gun Co. on Wednesday 10th March 2010 and Bredon School on Sunday 2nd May 2010.** I'm also proud to welcome our new sponsors for 2010 John Rothery Wholesale, Croots, Rib-I shooting accessories, Hucklecote Country Clothing, P.G Trophies and The Spread Eagle Hotel, Thame.

Stealth Cartridge's

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. All competitors will be using these cartridges for the main event.

This year's Schools Challenge

This year the main event at Oxford and Bredon will be a 50 bird sporting shoot, which is open to any school/college or individuals under the age of 21 in full time education. Entry fees are £30 per person, including 50 Stealth cartridges to be used in the competition £150 per team of five. This year's event at Bredon School will be the same format as Oxford. You can use your own cartridges for the side events at each event but they must be fibre wad!!

Timings:-

Due to popular demand we've again 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. Individuals will be put into teams for start times therefore you must be here and ready to shoot **half an hour before you are due to start shooting**. The prize giving will be at about 6:00pm after all the shooting has finished.

Due to the increased popularity of this event we had to decide whether to put the shoot over two days or keep it to one day. After much discussion we have decided to keep it to one day but limit the entries to 180, start times will be allocated according to your location. Teams that are the closest to the shooting grounds will be allocated A.M squad times and teams that are further away will be allocated P.M slots. We feel this is the fairest way to allocated times and we expect all teams and individuals to enter into the spirit of this rule.

Extras on the day:-

We'll still have the extra events on the days, including the Browning Rabbit Mania which this year will have a prize of a new Browning 525 over & under shotgun at both shoots.

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 days, hoping to capture some great moments. These will be available to buy on the day and from their web site www.doublebarrelledpicturecompany.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 for lunch, snacks and hot and cold drinks as well as other side events throughout the day.

Prizes:-Over £40,000 In Goods

We have got the most sponsorship we have ever had in a value of around £40,000 over the two shoots there will be guns, Land Rover mountain bikes, 15,000 Winchester cartridges, Bowman clay traps, clothing, boots and lots more. As well as the normal trophies and medals for the classes. We have tried this year to spread the sponsorship prizes over more of the entries.

Accommodation

For those of you that are coming a long way we have organised The Spread Eagle hotel in Thame, to give us some rooms at a special price. To book or enquire please call Amanda Binnee on 01844 213 661 and quote The School Challenge.

Our Sponsors

This year our sponsors include:-

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| Browning | Huckecote Country Clothing |
| Lacross | Rib-I Shooting Accessories |
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| Bredon School | Sporting Shooter magazine |
| Stratston Land Rover Cheltenham | Webley & Scott |
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| Reeves Kennels | B.A.S.C |
| Prescott Shooting | The Spread Eagle Hotel |
| N.F.U Mutual Aylesbury Office | |

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.

Results of the 2009 Schools Challenge

As the Schools Challenge has now got so big and lots of prizes I have decided not to add them on to the newsletter but they are all on the web site so do have a look to see the results from last year.

The Schools Challenge at Bredon School

By popular demand we have now made the Bredon School's schools challenge the same format as the Oxford Gun Co shoot so get your team entries in as soon as possible. We will also be having the Browning rabbit mania, the pool shoot and the shooting simulator so there will be plenty to have fun on as well as the main event, there will also be the opportunity for parents, guardians and chauffeurs to shoot as well.

The Schools Challenge Browning Champion of Champions

Remember we still have the champion of champions which is the highest individual combined score of the Oxford Schools Challenge and the Bredon Schools Challenge. The winner will win the 2010 Browning Schools Challenge trophy.

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 2010 at The Oxford Gun Company and Bredon School.

With kind regards,

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