

MEMBER STATS*

TOTAL MEMBERS:	133
Prone shooters:	62
LSR shooters:	39
Air rifle shooters:	17
Air pistol shooters:	14
3P shooters:	7
Gallery shooters:	17
Benchrest shooters:	16

*Several of our members are signed off on more than one discipline..



Club News

Hello, and welcome to the SPRC Times!

Following the AGM in January 2022, the Committee thought it a good opportunity to re-launch the Club newsletter, to allow us to keep you up to date with news and events. Some highlights of the year so far include:

January saw us welcome new members into the committee. Don joined us as Chairman and Sarah joined us as Communications Officer, with the rest of the committee reconfirming their roles.

- Don L, Chairman
- Roger H, Treasurer
- Simon F, Club Captain
- Alan S, Secretary
- Steve C, Training Officer
- Phil H, Child Protection Officer
- Kevin S, Armourer
- Rhid T, Webmaster
- Barry D, Membership Officer
- Sarah J, Comms Officer

We have just begun our second induction program of the year, which should see us further grow our membership baseline, which is great!

In late **May**, we held a Work Party in which a series of WONDERFUL volunteers helped us give the club some TLC. We jet washed the LSR range, sorted ammunition, jackets, tidied shelves, dusted, glued down flooring, polished, cleared back boards, updated lights and a dozen other things! Huge thanks to all those who came down to help.

Special shout out to **Paula** for keeping us energised with delicious cakes and biscuits!

If you couldn't come along but are interested in helping around the club, or have anything you'd like to discuss, get in touch via the Club Committee email address.

Or grab one of us (not literally) if you see us at the club.

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RECENT WINNERS

Winter 21/2 season:

- NSRA Short Range Team
Winner Div 10
- Surrey Prone B Team
Winner Div 5
- Surrey Individual Prone
Winner Div 11
Winner Div 13
Winner Div 15
Winner Div 19
- Surrey Benchrest
Individual
Winner Div 3

Competitions

Our members continue to show great promise in the world of competitions, with 34 members entered across various competitions for the current Summer '22 season.

This is great news for the club as it not only encourages more members to enter each year but also elevates our reputation within the sport.

After a difficult two years in the sport, it's great to see competitions back up and running. There are currently 34 club members entered into the Summer '22 season. These are:

- City of London Prone Team
- NSRA Short Range Prone Team
- NSRA Air Rifle Team
- Surrey Air Pistol Individual
- Surrey Prone Team
- Surrey Prone Individual
- Surrey 50m Individual
- Surrey LSR Precision Individual
- Surrey LSR Timed Individual
- Surrey Benchrest Individual
- West Kent Championship Individual
- West Kent League Individual (multi-discipline)

If you are interested in entering competitions but missed out on the Summer season, keep an eye out for an email later in the year about the winter competition season.

Whilst many competition rules are consistent between competitions, it's important that you remind yourselves of the specific rules relevant to the competition you are entering so that you can be sure to avoid problems – particularly if you are entering a competition that takes place off-site.

We plan to update the SPRC website members area to provide some further information in the future but, for competition-specific guidance, please visit the site relevant to each competition.

Information on standard competition rules can be found at the links show below:

- [Standard prone and air pistol/rifle](#)
- [Benchrest](#)
- [Gallery rifle competitions](#)
- [LSR competitions](#)

Whilst very rare, we have had instances of errors made on shooting cards. If you have any questions or queries regarding competitions, please contact the Club captain.



Surbiton Postal
Rifle Club

CLUB HOUSE PRICES*

Eley Sport:	£5
Eley Match:	£9.5
Lapua Centre-X:	£9.5
RWS Target :	£7
CCI Minimag:	£9
CCI Standard:	£5
RWS R10 air pistol:	£9
RWS R10 air rifle:	£9

*Prices are for packs of 50, except for:

- CCI Minimag, which comes in packs of 100
- RWS R10, which comes in tins of 500 pellets

Ammunition

There are two things to consider about your set up when target shooting:

Accuracy – how close a shot is to its desired point of impact.

Precision – how close together are a set of shots, that is, their 'grouping'.

Accuracy can be improved by changing your sights to bring shots into the bull. Precision, however, is a combination of the rifle and ammunition, as different makes/models of ammunition will give different sized groups through the same rifle. So, whilst you only have one rifle, you can easily select different ammunition. Use 'better' ammunition, your groups will contract and your scores will improve. Use 'worse' ammunition and you will never improve past a certain average score, as that is the best grouping the ammunition can provide. This all leaves aside 'user error' of course!

The club currently stocks a number of different makes and types of ammunition. Any selection will be governed by getting the most precise ammunition for a combination of your rifle, current skill level and pocket. After all, a beginner would be wasting their money if they used best quality match ammunition while not yet being skilful enough to benefit from the quality of the ammunition.

Some makes of ammunition will work better in your rifle than others, across all skill levels, and this is reflected in the range of ammunition we stock. If you are a beginner, as your scores improve you may find that upgrading your ammunition may help your scores improve and more skilled shooters may also find the same. Of course, the only way to really find out is to buy a box and try it, but you may be pleasantly surprised how upgrading your ammunition can improve your scores.

Eley Sport

A good cheap round for all disciplines.

Eley Match

A very good target round, but not recommended for LSR due to both the lower accuracy/precision of LSR rifles and the ammunition cost.

Lapua Centre-X

A very good target round, but not recommended for LSR due to both the lower accuracy/precision of LSR rifles and the ammunition cost.

RWS Target

A good target round, giving a mix of better precision than cheaper rounds but without the high cost of top target ammunition.

CCI Minimag

A good cheap round, but noisy and more aimed at LSR.

CCI Standard

A good cheap round for all disciplines.

RWS R10 air pellets

We stock RWS pellets for both air rifle and pistol and feel it is a good all-round option for both forms of air.

Also, have a look at the link below, which shows the results of a large test of commonly used brands of ammunition.

<https://www accurateshooter.com/guns-of-week/22lr-rimfire-ammo-comparison-test/>



Relocation Update

You may well be aware that the recent approval of the Cambridge Road Estate regeneration programme confirms our need to leave our current site in the next few years.

Whilst our lease runs out in 2027, we have been advised that we will have to vacate our current premises by beginning H2 2025 (though construction timelines have already slipped).

Work to investigate possible future options for the club has been ongoing for the last 18 months and we are making some good progress. A summary of the area of investigation include:

- Use of local premises to build new club ranges
- Use of local land to build new club ranges
- Partnering with a local club to enable shared usage of their existing premises

At present, several potential options have been identified across all three areas, and the Committee are actively pursuing these.

We are keen to ensure that whatever avenues we explore allow us to maintain the high quality capabilities and membership base we have cultivated since the club's inception.

If you have knowledge of any potential new premises or have contacts you feel we should get in touch with, or if you have any questions, please get in touch by emailing the Committee or feel free to ask any committee member at the Club.

