

SOUTHDOWN GUN CLUB

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GOODBYE JANUARY

It feels good to be putting January behind us and to be looking forward an exciting full calendar of events at the club! It is now seven months since we started the new Southdown Gun Club, the time really has raced by and although we have made a few changes it seems like there is still a lot to do.

It has been noted that the road up to the club has suffered in the freezing weather before Christmas; so we have a plan to repair and resurface starting in March. We need to wait and see if we are going to get anymore snow in February before we start as this will only hamper our efforts, so please bear with us on this one.

For those of you who are members of the CPSA, put a note in your diaries to attend the Sussex Regional CPSA Annual General Meeting which is being hosted at Northall CPC, near fletching in East Sussex, on Monday 7th February at 19:00hrs - a must for all members interested in the sport.

Its official we won't be applying the 2.5% VAT rise to the entry fees for practice and competitions until the 1st of April 2011, this should give us all a welcome break from the ever increasing cost of living. Hopefully by April we should all be feeling a bit more optimistic about the upcoming year and maybe even seeing some light at the end of the tunnel.

For those of you who are game shooters February 1st saw the end of yet another shooting season, so if you are wondering what you are going to do until the start of the next season you will be pleased to hear that for the first time at Southdown we are going to be hosting some dedicated Simulated Game Days. So as to optimise the use of the ground we will be hosting the events on Mondays and Tuesdays from March, when the ground will be closed to clay shooters on those days so we can set up four separate drives. If you are interested in booking up a day please call Helen or Kati on 01903-877555 for more details or watch out for the updates on our website.

I am pleased to report the clubhouse refurbishment is nearly finished and all that is left to do now is install new flooring and we should have completed the job. I would like to thank everybody for their patience during these works, I know it's been a bit noisy and dusty, but I think you will all agree that it was long overdue. We have added a small shop area in the corner of the clubhouse and we currently have a selection of Laksen shooting clothing, which we will be expanding over the coming months to include Hull & Express clothing, gun cleaning supplies, glasses, hearing defence and a small selection of new and used guns.

If you currently have guns in you cabinet that you no longer use, why not get an appraisal from Shaun or Greg who will be happy to make you a cash offer or if you prefer we can enter into a commission sale agreement.

And finally ... Coming up in February we have the 4th Winter Series FITASC competition.

Fri 4th, Sat 5th, Sun 6th February

100 FITASC 4th Winter Series, £150 H/Gun, £75 1st in class

The final event in the series will be held on March 4th, 5th and 6th. If you haven't already booked in please contact Helen or Kati. The January competition saw a really good attendance with 24 squads over the three days. We also have two Registered Sporting/Sportrap competitions and at the end of the month a Clubman Comp, so come along and have a go.

I'd like to remind you our special offer of 6 lessons for the price of 5 is still running and members get a further 10% off the lesson price. So if you're a beginner or looking to improve your skills why not take advantage of this great deal. Our resident instructor, John Hughes, is currently in New Zealand representing England so he's got lots of great knowledge to pass on.

If you know anyone looking to do something different for their Birthday, Stag/Hen Do or they are just looking for a fun day out, why not tell them about Southdown Activities (Clays, Quads, Mud Buggies & Digger driving) and earn yourself a free round of Sporting for each introduction leading to a booking.

Cheers,




February Fixtures

Fri 4th, Sat 5th, Sun 6th February	09:30 to 14:00hrs	Sun 20th February	09:30 to 14:00hrs
100 FITASC 4th Winter Series, £150 H/Gun, £75 1st in class.		100 Reg Sporting, 12 Stands, £150 H/Gun	
Series H/G £500* Telephone entries only.		100 Reg. Sportrap, 4 layouts, £100 H/Gun	
Sun 13th February	09:30 to 14:00hrs	Sun 27th February	09:30 to 14:00hrs
100 Reg Sporting, 12 Stands, £150 H/Gun		80 Bird Clubman. Prize fund based on entries	
100 Reg. Sportrap, 4 layouts, £100 H/Gun			

*To be in for a chance to win the series high gun you must shoot four of the five events of which the 5th (March) is compulsory.

February Opening Times

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	10:00 - 16:00
Thursday	10:00 - 16:00
Friday	10:00 - 16:00
Saturday	10:00 - 16:00
Sunday	SEE WEBSITE
Last entries 1hr before close	