

## **BSRC Open McQueen Competition – Saturday 31 August 2013**

For the third time of running, the Club held an open McQueen shoot on Century range last weekend. Attendance was good in terms of Club members, with 17 shooters taking part; numbers of non-BSRC, i.e. NRA and other Club, members was not so good with only 5 shooters but this was perhaps down to the NRA not posting notice of the event as they had been asked to?

The day dawned not too bright and with a clear forecast, if a little windy, which was proved to be correct.

Running the day was Tod Beardsworth, assisted by son Grant Beardsworth and fellow BSRC member Nigel Gilbey. Steve Wallis was in the butts for most of the day, working with the markers and relaying scores for each detail, and John Hassell also provided much appreciated support on the firing point. Thanks from all who were involved in the organising, and who took part, in the event go to these helpers.

Interest in the two main classes, Sporting and Open, was pretty similar with a total of 32 cards shot in the former and 37 in the latter. The Classic was a bit disappointing with only two shooters putting in 3 cards between them, despite the use for the first time of the Figure 14 target instead of the DP14/03. This difference is actually quite interesting as it could not be further from the situation that has been seen in the NRA Imperial Meeting McQueen where, in recent years, there has been an increase in the number of Classic entries which have now reached similar numbers to the Sporting.

Also interesting to note was that the rules under which the Sporting is shot in this event, which allow use of a bipod but no rear rest rather than a sandbag and hand to support the forend, did not make it easier to shoot a 'possible' despite what has been suggested in the past in this respect. In fact, out of 32 cards shot (only 6 less than the 38 Sporting entries in the entire 10 days it is shot in the Imperial Meeting) there was not one single HPS scored, even by the winner of this year's NRA McQueen who was shooting the self-same rifle but could only manage 41.4.

In the Open there were 37 entries and no fewer than 8 HPS badges were won.

Results for each class are set out below.

From comments made on the day, everyone who attended seemed to enjoy themselves and we should all look forward to holding this event again next year.

Tod Beardsworth, Range Officer.

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#### Sporting

<b>John Ware</b>	LRC	<b>49.6</b>	(49.5)	(37.4)	(37.2)	(29.2)
Steve Kale	BSRC	45.7	(34.4)	(20.3)		
Adrian Collins	BSRC	42.4	(42.3)	(42.1)	(39.5)	
Steve Castle	BSRC	42.4	(38.2)	(8)		
Dave McGill	BSRC	42.3				
Mike Deakin	BSRC	41.4	(30.2)			
Alan Christmas	BSRC	41.2				
Nick Steadman	BSRC	33.3	(29.1)	(26)	(18)	
James Laing	BSRC	28.4	(22)	(17)		
Grant Beardsworth	Guest	19.1				
George Kessidy	BSRC	14	(8)	(4)		

#### Open

<b>Mike Deakin</b>	BSRC	HPS	<b>50.10</b>	(49.8)				Tie shoot 50.10
Dave McGill	BSRC	HPS	50.9	(49.7)	(45.9)			
Chris Wells	BSRC	HPS	50.9	(48.4)	(47.4)	(45.8)	(23)	
Stuart Doyle	OSM	HPS	50.8	(39.4)	(35.6)			
Grant Beardsworth	Guest	HPS	50.7					
Tod Beardsworth	BSRC	HPS	50.6					
John Hassell	BSRC	HPS	50.4	(49.7)	(49.4)	(43.1)		
Alex Wells	BSRC	HPS	50.3	(49.5)	(31.2)			
Nigel Gilbey	BSRC		43.4					
Kathryn Knight	M&M		41.3	(40.2)				
David Williams	BSRC		37.3					
Colin Nunn	BSRC		33.4	(29.3)	(25)	(22.1)		
Boodram Persad	OSM		29.1					
Alan Christmas	BSRC		27.2					
James Laing	BSRC		9					
Nigel Gilbey	BSRC		4					

#### Classic

<b>Tod Beardsworth</b>	BSRC	<b>45.6</b>	(35.4)
Steve Wallis	BSRC	20.2	