



# **Seal Island Gun Club**



## 2017 News Stories

### **Black Jack Trophy**

On a gloriously sunny, but freezing cold, Monday 2nd January 2017, a large number of members and guests assembled for the first shoot of the year, with the members competing for the Blackjack Trophy.

Unlike last year's appalling day, weather-wise, this really was a beautiful morning, if rather cold.

It was a very nice setup, but not at all easy, and we had one very surprised winner in Tony Chennell with an impressive score of 80. Keith Lintott was 2nd with 78 and Andy Turner was 3rd with 74. Well done, lads!

As it was New Year, nibbles were provided, and this year they were eaten!

Well done, Tony



### **Bob Hutchins Memorial Shoot**

On a wet morning on 5th March 2017 29 members and guests arrived at the club for the 2nd Bob Hutchins Memorial Shoot including Bob's partner, Caroline, and his cousin, Paul. Bob is still much missed at the club.

Although the setup team got absolutely soaked, the sun came out for the start of shooting. It was an interesting shoot and before we had managed to finish the heavens opened and we all got soaked. Once again the sun came out and we were able to finish the shoot with Bob Kearley winning with his handicap score of 117.

Well done, Bob!



### **Spring Handicap**

On the morning of 16th April 2016, thirty-four members, one junior and seventeen guests arrived at the club for the Spring Handicap 2017 Competition.

It was a really pleasant shoot and at the end Kevin Allsobrook was the winner with his handicap score of 106.



### **Dave Mould**

Dave Mould passed away on April 28th 2017 and to mark his membership of the club and to pay our respects to his memory in a fitting manner we held a gun salute on Sunday 7th May.





## **Club Shoot at Northall CPC**

On Friday 30th June 2017, 21 SIGC members and guests met up at Northall CPC near Haywards Heath, East Sussex for our 2nd club shoot at this venue.

Well worth the journey, on arrival we were served bacon and sausage rolls with our mugs of tea and coffee and then shooting commenced.

50 birds in the morning followed by a delicious buffet lunch and another 50 birds in the afternoon - and all for the sum of £38!! Just like last year this is seriously good value for money and such an enjoyable place to shoot. Nowhere is too far away from the clubhouse, and the ground is more or less flat thereby enabling the less able to move around quite easily. We were again made to feel very welcome by the staff and I think that I can safely say that everyone who went had a thoroughly good time.

We don't have the full results but, once again, Jeannette Burgoyne was top gun with a score of 77 and an absolutely delighted David Thornley 2nd with a score of 76. Well done, Jeannette and David!!





### **Memorial Trophy**

On a glorious sunny morning we gathered for the Seal Island Memorial Trophy shoot.

A very nice setup gave us all an enjoyable time and at the end David Groombridge and Chris Forsyth were the winners.



## **Phil Fields**

A nice set-up, together with the rain holding off for the duration, made for a pleasant shoot for the competition which resulted in a win for Phil Pitham over Andy Belcher after a shoot-off which was held using the new 'wobbler' trap. They both originally scored 48 and Mark Lee came a close 3rd with a score of 47.

Well done, Phil!





## Winter Handicap

The 2017 Winter Handicap shoot was held on December 17th. We had a good turnout, for what proved to be a testing but great set up.

But as always there could only be one winner who on this occasion was:

- Gary Winsor, scoring 79 inc H'cap - great result, well done Gary!

The runners up also had a great shoot scoring 72 inc H'cap:

- A Belcher
- R Nash
- L Woolven

We even managed to capture a few pictures of people in action..

