



Team Journal – Day 13

Tuesday 4th April

This morning we had our first individual shoot - the Scottish Sword (or Skotse Swaard for our Afrikaans-speaking readers). The individual shoots are shot in two details so the buses have been rearranged so that all their occupants are on the same details (thus creating an entirely new set of back-seat advisers for the drivers). When we arrived at the range we found conditions not unlike yesterday - sunny, with a good breeze and a very pleasant temperature. We also found our old friend Brigadier General Mac Alexander in charge of the range - as he will be for the rest of the meeting. The General runs a disciplined range with a soft voice - when he gently points out (more in sorrow etc.) that kit or shooters have approached too closely to the firing point before their detail it is notable how quickly the area clears.



Brigadier General Mac Alexander

The Scottish Sword is shot at 300m and 900m, 10 to count at each range - although at 900m James Watson's competitive instinct took over and he fired an 11th shot. He successfully argued that he had been misled by a South African shooting partner and his last shot was cancelled (at least it was only a magpie).

We have not yet had any results from the stats office here so far now we can only record GB team scores. At 300m there were 9 possibles with David Calvert leading the field with an outstanding 50.9. At 900m, with a strong and changeable right hand wind blowing, there were no possibles; the top score of 49.4 was achieved by Nick Tremlett, Peter Griggs and Jeremy Langley. At lunchtime the top three scores in the Scottish Sword were held by Nick (99.9), Peter Griggs (99.8) and David (98.13).

After lunch we had the Dewar Shield - teams of 6 at 300m and 600m (10 to count at each range). Each team was captained by one of the coaches. The wind was still somewhat tricky and there were fewer 50s at 300m than there had been without coaching in the morning. Top score at 300m was 50.6 (Richard Jeens and James Watson). At 600m there was but one solitary possible, recorded by Jeremy Langley (50.4). The winning team was Nick Tremlett's with 585.54 (Griggs, Woodward, Deane, Jeens, Ball and Langley). Runner-up was Stuart Collings' team with David Calvert's coming in third.

High score in the daily aggregate was provided, for the second day, by Jeremy with 198.18 from Peter Griggs with 197.16 and John Deane with 194.17. Of course, it should be noted that the coaches were excluded from being competitive in the daily agg because they did not shoot in the afternoon.

We got back from the range at about 5 p.m. A team meeting and bullet-pushing for the next few days looked to occupy most of the evening so we opted for pizzas around the bullet press for sustenance.



The Vice Captain checks his sights at 300m

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SCOTTISH SWORD DEWAR SHIELD

	300m	900M AGG			AGG	DAILY AGG	
Captain	48.5	44.1	92.6	48.3	43.0	91.3	183.9
Chris Fitzpatrick	49.3	45.1	94.4	49.3	46.2	95.5	189.9
Jonathan Haward	48.4	46.1	94.5	49.4	49.3	98.7	192.12
Nick Tremlett	50 ⁵	49 ⁴	99.7				
David Calvert	50 ³	48.4	98.8				
Stuart Collings	50 ⁵	48.4	98.9				
Nigel Ball	50 ⁵	40.1	90.6	49.7	48.6	97.1	187.16
Matt Button	49.2	48.3	97.5	48.3	46.3	94.6	191.11
Paul Charlton	49.4	45.4	94.8	47.2	47.1	94.3	188.11
John Deane	50.6	46.2	96.8	50.5	48.4	98.9	194.17
Rupert Dix	49.2	46.2	95.4	48.3	48.3	96.6	191.13
Peter Griggs	50.4	49.4	99.8	49.3	49.5	98.8	197.16
Peter Holden	49.7	47.3	96.1	48.2	47.2	95.4	191.14
Jonathan Holmes	48.4	42.2	90.6	49.3	49.5	98.8	188.14
Richard Jeens	50.5	47.0	97.5	50.6	46.5	96.1	193.16
Jeremy Langley	49.5	49.4	98.9	50.5	50.4	100.9	198.18
Richard Shouler	43.7	49.1	92.5	48.3	48.5	96.8	188.13
Alistair Speirs	50.7	48.3	98.1	49.7	46.2	95.9	192.11
James Watson	50.3	45.1	95.4	50.6	48.5	98.1	193.15
Alexander Woodward	48.4	46.3	94.7	49.2	47.5	96.7	190.14
JCSL	49.6	44.2	93.8	48.5	47.1	95.6	188.14

DAVID CALVERT

FITZ
CAPTAIN
JCSL
HOLDEN
WATSON

568.32

NICK TREMLETT

GRIGGS
WOODY
DEANE
JEENS
BALL
LANGLEY

585.54

STUART COLLINGS

BUTTON
DIX
HAWARD
HOLMES
SHOULER
SPEIRS

577.44

Today's GB team scores in full