

The Trafalgar Muzzle Loaders – Event Reports

The Pairs Competition 2008

The pair's competition took place on Sunday the 18th of May and, as usual, was well attended and once again blessed with fine weather, despite the weather forecast.

Jack, who has been absent through serious illness for over three months, was welcomed back to the fold. Likewise, Colin who, unfortunately was still too ill to shoot but did enjoy a chat and a coffee before leaving.

The usual arrangements were put in hand whereby everyone writes their name on individual pieces of paper which are folded and put into a hat. These are not drawn until the end of the competition when everyone finds out who they have been paired with. This system has a salutary effect on the "Mickey takers" who suddenly remember that they may be paired with that person and change their comment to one of encouragement and advice.

Mike Newland was as usual keeping score and didn't have to shoot as an even number of Pot Hunters, sorry, shooters, turned up.

This was also the first occasion to try out our new traps one of which performed beautifully. The other had a technical problem which we did not have the time to solve as there was the competition to get started.

Jack was hitting everything in sight to the accompaniment of "Well done partner", from everyone in sight. Richard was also doing very well which was very worrying in case he turned out to be paired with Jack.

Delicious tea and coffee was served by Ann, Doreen and Tracey with water boiled to perfection on our new cooker.

After an entertaining shoot the names were drawn and paired. No prizes for guessing who won paired with whom.

Yes, Jack and Richard.

The full results are reported elsewhere.

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