

Clubs and Ranges

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BELL TARGET AIR RIFLE SHOOTING



What is bell target shooting?

A 'bell target' is a five inch white metal plate housed in a metal box. The target plate is engraved with circles and painted with a white oil paint which stays wet throughout the competition. After each shot, the pellet impression is scored and painted out so the next competitor has a clean target. In the centre of the plate there is a 3/8inch diameter hole with a bell behind. If a pellet, or part of the pellet, travels through the hole the bell will ring.

The air rifles used are match rifles of 177 calibre. They are completely recoilless and come in adult and junior sizes.

The shooting is from a free standing position, without the use of slings or any other artificial support, over a range of 21 feet. Members of opposing clubs/teams take turns to shoot. Each competitor has eight shots in a match, one sighter and seven to count.

When and where is it?

The season runs between September and April inclusive, with league matches taking place on Monday evenings and cup matches taking place on Thursday evenings. Practice sessions take place throughout the summer months, depending on range availability.

There are currently five clubs with their own home ranges. The ranges are listed overleaf. During the season, each club will attend home and away matches.

All ranges are licenced premises and it is encouraged to support these venues by purchasing food and drinks, although this is not compulsory.

What is the League?

Bridgend and District Air Rifle League was established in 1908 runs several competitions including league and cup matches. Trophies are awarded to clubs, teams, pairs and individuals based on match scores and averages. The individual trophies include ladies, seniors, juniors and most improved. There are also handicap competitions where all members compete on level terms.

The maximum number of competitors to shoot in one match is ten aside. The average league match starts at 7:30pm and finishes around 10:30pm. Whilst it is desirable that members attend for the duration of the match, it is not compulsory.

Due to the nature of the sport, strict safety rules are in place. The League prides itself in never having an accident relation to personal injury, however all League members are insured against personal injury and third party liability costs.

Do I need any experience?

No, tuition is given to all new members taking into account the League safety rules.

Do I need to own an air rifle?

No, the League and clubs own rifles which can be loaned to new members. Individuals are encouraged to use them at least for their first season. However, if you do wish to purchase a rifle, second hand rifles can be bought from around £300 with new rifles starting at around £700.

Is there an age limit?

Whilst there is no upper or lower age limit in joining the League, there are some physical requirements. Potential members must be able to support the rifle from a free standing position. This is usually achievable from the age of 12, but this is only a guideline.

Due to the fact that all of the clubs ranges are on licensed premises, children under the age of 16 need to be escorted by a responsible adult over the age of 21.

How much does it cost?

At present, the League fee is £5 for the first season for all new starters. After the initial season, the League fees are:

Adult: £30
Junior (under 18): £15

Some clubs may charge an additional fee depending on their running costs. These fees are nominal and are usually between £5 - £10.

How can I join?

Clubs are always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining the League, or just 'having a go', please use the contact information provided at the back of this leaflet.

The League itself is also looking for new teams. If you have more than 10 individuals interested in setting up a new team, again please contact us using the information provided at the back of this leaflet, as help is available.