

Hopkins Farmers FITASC. 16th May 2018 – Ham Cross Shooting Ground

Glorious weather and a wonderful FITASC layout was the order of the day at Ham Cross. Will Thatcher 'extreme' became technical and very tasty. Due to the inclement weeks that had preceded mid-May, the weather conditions meant that many of our regular guns were busy with grass cutting and cultivations. However 33 guns still enjoyed a very challenging course with very clever targets that had a very good game shooting feel. Unlike many grounds today, Ham Cross always provides driven targets as well as targets that are at a very good height with plenty of sky around them.

John Pool again proved why he is a team member for Great Britain, taking high gun with a fantastic 94 - not only did he win the shoot comfortably he also won most improved on +13. John continues his excellent form since winning March farmers FITASC, he was recently placed in both the Euro Cash FITASC championships in Solonge - France and the steel challenge at Schietbaan de Wildenberg in Holland.

Excellent shooting by Graham Brown & Nick Bullen shooting for the honours in 'A' class saw Graham win by two clays with 86. It was great to see Graham shoot with us for the first time and to get him away from Purbeck for the day! Richard Pike won 'B' class on 80, with Mike Padwick taking the honours in 'C' class on 78. Rodney Steer won 'D' class with 63.

Class Results

High Gun – John Pool 94

Class A – Graham brown 86, Nick Bullen 84, Colin Hanson, Andy Herbert-smith, Martin Reynolds 81.

Class B – Richard Pike 80, Dave Coward, Paddy Croft, Ray Hillyer, Steve Hewlett 76.

Class C - Mike Padwick 78, Sam Sawyer 77, Mike Tizzard 75.

Class D – Rodney Steer 63, Fran Mattinson 60.

Most improved – John Pool +13

Draw prize winner – Simon Norris

Both John & Simon win 250 cartridges kindly sponsored by Hopkins Concrete Ltd.

Next month we travel to Barrow Farm kindly hosted by the Nicholls Family. The format will be slightly different whereby we all meet at around 10am to shoot at 10.30. Shooting will take place and then all eat early afternoon. Barrow Farm is now open for practice every Wednesday evening 4pm until Dusk - BH11 5HD.

Finally many thanks to Will Thatcher and his team for two wonderful events at Ham cross. Should you fancy shooting Wills targets on a regular basis, Ham Cross opens two Saturdays a month for practise and coaching – for more information email willthatcher@btconnect.com
Thank you to Hopkins Concrete Ltd for their help and continued support.

With thanks & kind regards

Richard.