

### Hopkins Farmers FITASC July 2018 - Roundwood.

A warm and overcast day presented perfect conditions for our summer shoot at Roundwood and now under new management - Andy Shaw, Bob Baily & Dave Hughes are the proprietors with Chas Davis running the ground and arranging shooting or coaching. Refurbishment is gradually taking shape which will hopefully secure shooting for us all for years to come. For those that visit this ground regularly they will understand the history and the unique place that it is. For those that visit for the first time, can't believe the location and usually get lost on the second and third visit. It's usually then that you get hooked on the place and start to feel what has gone on before at this special place - It would be much like visiting a famous sports ground or theatre.

The ground has everything to offer the sporting shooter with of course the famous tower presenting targets at up to 70 yards across the field or over the wood. Many game shooters use this venue to brush up on the high birds prior to the game season. The rifle range within the wood offers some special targets unlike anything else, because all of the targets appear from within the wood or tower that cannot be seen.

The battle for honours continued between Andy Herbert-Smith & Martin Reynolds, with Martin winning the shoot by a single clay on 89, Andy therefore won 'A' class with 88. The glory for 'B' Class was shared with some excellent shooting from Chris Boulton, Mark Hanson & Richard Taylor – all achieved 81. Keith Emery in consecutive shoots continued his impressive form to share the honours in class 'C' with an equally impressive Geoff Huggins - both scored 78. Geoff also won the most improved score with a massive +14. Rolland Smith not only won 'D' class but won the Hopkins draw for the slab of cartridges. Congratulations to all who are mentioned.

#### Class Results

High gun – Martin Reynolds 89

Class A – Andy Herbert Smith 88, Richard Pike 84, Chris Griffin 83.

Class B – Chris Boulton 81, Mark Hanson 81, Richard Taylor 81.

Class C – Keith Emery & Geoff Huggins 78, Rodney Steer 74.

Class D – Rolland Smith 54.

Most improved – Geoff Huggins + 14, wins 250 cartridges sponsored by Hopkins Concrete Ltd.

Draw winner – Rolland Smith, wins 250 cartridges sponsored by Hopkins Concrete Ltd.

Next month we travel to a new venue - Gunsite, SN8 1QF, hosted by Sean Ponting. Please note that due to a clash of days with Gillingham & Shaftesbury Show we will be shooting on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August.

Finally - thank you as always to Hopkins Concrete Ltd for their generous support and to Rob Allen for his continued help regarding the Website. Thanks also to all at Roundwood especially Chas Davis for organising the day. For further information on Roundwood Shooting visit

[www.roundwoodshooting.com](http://www.roundwoodshooting.com) or call Chas Davis 07840296078.

With kind regards

Richard.