



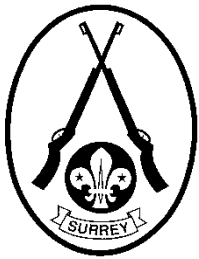
Surrey Scouts Air Rifle Challenge 2021

At your own indoor or outdoor range, sharing another Troop's range, at a local shooting club or an equipped campsite - you choose the time and place to shoot.

Troops should arrange a 0.177" calibre air rifle target shooting session where Scouts shoot 4 target cards each with 5 pellets at a distance of 5.5m/6yds. Simply total up the scores for each Scout and submit the top 8 from your Troop to the challenge administrator.

You have until 31st October 2021 to submit your cards, so why not get a session of air rifle planned into next term's programme.

There is a team trophy for the highest scoring team of 8 Scouts submitted from your shooting event. There is also a final where the 20 highest scoring individuals from all your submitted entries come together to shoot to become the Surrey Scouts county air rifle champion. The final will be held on Saturday 11th December 2021 at Bookham Rifle Club, Leatherhead; after which, team and individual medals and trophies will be awarded.



Finalists will receive an invitation to try out for the Surrey Scouts Lions Airgun Team and the opportunity to represent Surrey at the annual Scouts Inter-Counties airgun competition (also open to Explorers).

Need help sorting this Challenge for your Scouts? See further below.

The Challenge Rules

- The challenge is open to all Surrey Scout Troops, Scouts must be under 14 ½ on 31st October 2021.
- To enter a team, simply email air.rifle@surrey-scouts.org.uk and we'll let you know what you need.
- All Scouts will shoot from the standing position and not touch the table/bench in front of them.
- All shooting will comply with Scouts POR Rule 9.37.
- Scout Leaders must ensure that "Permission to Shoot" forms and risk assessments (including covid) are completed beforehand.
- Targets to be used must be NSRA 6-yard 'Air 8' – available from the [NSRA shop](#) at Bisley or we can help you get some from another group in Surrey. (note: the cards say "pistol" we use them for rifle)
- Each team member will shoot 4 cards of 5x shots, totalling 20 shots (max score 200 points). Visual inwards scoring will be used. If the shot catches or breaks the line, the higher score will be taken.
- Scout Name and Age, Troop and District to be written on each target card before shooting commences. For audit purposes the team's shot target cards must be kept by the Troop Leader until the day of the final. The Troop Leader or Range Officer must complete the Team Score Spreadsheet and send it to air.rifle@surrey-scouts.org.uk as soon as practicable but before 31/10/21.
- The previous winner's trophies for best team and best individual must be returned to Surrey County Scout Rifle Club before the following year's presentation – contact: air.rifle@surrey-scouts.org.uk

This Challenge qualifies as an “officially supervised contest” so why not work towards the Master at Arms Badge?

How to earn your badge, what you need to:

1. Attend regular training sessions in a relevant activity such as fencing, shooting, archery or cross-bow. Show how you’ve improved in technique. You should train for at least six sessions.
2. Learn the safety rules associated with your activity and show how to follow them.
3. Take part in your chosen activity at an officially supervised contest. Afterwards, talk to the instructor about your performance and how you can improve.



Do You Need Any Help Getting Started with Air Rifle Shooting?

- YPS Courses for leaders to learn how to safely run a shooting range and teach the basic principles of air rifle marksmanship (and get your Scout Activity Permit)?
- Are you already YPS qualified and want to learn more?
- Want to start a district shooting competition? Or a shooting club for Scouts?
- Want to receive an invitation to Surrey Scoutshoot? The Scouts National Rifle Championships? The National Scouts Archery Competition? All the above?
- Would you like to borrow or hire shooting kit, or would you be prepared to lend or hire your kit, or range, (or your leaders!) to another local Scout group?
- Looking for a “Scout friendly” local shooting club that would help you to help your Scouts get into target shooting and perhaps run sessions for you?
- Would you like Target Shooting School (based in Bookham but they have a mobile range) to run a session for you - to enter this challenge, or any time?
- Would you (Scouts, Explorers or Leaders) like to attend a full-bore (14 yrs min) or smallbore (12 yrs min) rifle session (either group or individual) with Surrey County Scouts Rifle Club?

Email us: air.rifle@surrey-scouts.org.uk



The Team Trophy



The NSRA Air8 Target: Recommended for introducing Scouts to Target Air Rifle

Please feel free to forward to any other Scout Troop you feel may have an interest.