

**NOTICE TO ALL SHOOTERS - MATCH & SPORTING RIFLE
ONTARGET RIFLE & PISTOL ALLIANCE
LAKESHORE SMALLBORE ASSOCIATION
2021-2022 WINTER MATCHES - PREAMBLE**

NOTE: With the Covid-19 pandemic still disrupting everything it is far from certain if there will be a 2021-22 season for the LSBA.

I have prepared a match notice along the usual lines - this is a preamble to it and will take precedence if there is any conflict.

CLASSIFICATION:

My first comments have nothing to do with Covid-19. You will know that for the two years prior to 2020 the SFC classification system was inoperative. A new online system was implemented in early 2020 - just as the pandemic shut everything down. I have been trying to become familiar with the system and hope we will be able to use it for the LSBA in the Sporting Rifle Prone, Sporting Rifle 3-Position, ISSF Prone, ISSF 3-Position, Air Rifle, and Air Pistol matches.

In the Silhouette matches classifications are determined by the Silhouette governing body.

I have been looking after classifications in the Hunting Rifle Prone and Standing matches and will continue to do so.

SHOOTING SPACE & TIMES:

We will be operating much more loosely than usual. And we are open to recommendations for changes.

We plan to have the LSBA operate as usual at the Provincial level, with clubs opting into the match if they see fit. **Anyone wishing to compete will have to get the go-ahead and a shooting time from the local co-ordinator.** Nominally the match will operate on one weekend but in actuality scores will be fired over 2+ weeks - from the weekend before the nominal date to the weekend after - at the discretion of the host clubs. We would like to start getting results after the nominal weekend - and have all of them by the Tuesday after the weekend after the nominal weekend. (We'd like to be able to mail out the monthly bulletin a day or two later.)

Normally targets are fired under supervision - but this will be difficult to maintain with the limited range sizes and multiple shooting nights. For this season we will not be enforcing this - though it is still recommended. We will be operating similar to a postal match and we request everyone to follow the honor system and obey the match rules.

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS:

These will follow the Provincial guidelines and may vary as the season progressed. Competitors must be fully vaccinated; and face masks must be worn when not on the firing line. Distancing on the firing line must follow the procedures established by the local club.

PARTICIPATING CLUBS:

These clubs generally responded favourably to my initial inquiry and I expect will be participating: Pioneer, R.A. Club, Peterboro, Maple Leaf Marksmen, BR&RC, Aurora(Sporting Rifle Prone and Hunting Rifle), Pine Ridge (club members only), Peel(Air only); Galt, Port Elgin, Owen Sound, Kincardine, Listowel shoot Hunting Rifle and Silhouette only. East Elgin is opting out of the LSBA matches - if they change their mind we will be happy to welcome them back.

NOMINAL MATCH WEEKENDS: (I should have included this in my earlier mailing)

November 13 & 14, 2021 (shot Nov. 6- Nov. 21)
December 11 & 12, 2021 (shot Dec. 4 - Dec. 19)
January 15 & 16, 2022 (shot Jan. 8 - Jan. 23)
February 12 & 13, 2022 (shot Feb. 5 - Feb. 20)
March 12 & 13, 2022 (shot Mar. 5 - Mar. 20)

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