



The 145th Aberdeen Wapinschaw

Gallery Rifle & Pistol, Muzzle loading Revolver/Pistol & Target Shotgun

Events: Cairngall Range, Fri 12th to Sun 14th Jun 2026

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General Rule

- The Civilian Gallery Rifle & Pistol Competition for 2026 will run at Cairngall Range.
- In addition to Gallery Rifle and Pistol the following courses of fire will also be available
 - Muzzle loading revolver/pistol – 25M Precision and Timed & Precision
 - Target shotgun – Timed & Precision, plus a Target Shotgun Plate Match (min 20 birdshot; max size No 4; classes for section 1 and 2)
- At Cairngall Range the max permitted muzzle velocity is 3275ft/sec (1000M/s) and max muzzle energy is 5160 ft/lbs (7000J) on the main range (to be used for GR&P TP1, MT and 1020, Target SG Matches) and for the side range (to be used for all precision, WA48 and the MLR-TP1 matches) the maximum muzzle energy must not exceed 1,496 ft.lbs. and muzzle velocity not to exceed 2,150 ft./sec.
- Day entries will be accepted only if range space allows.
- We reserve the right to withdraw a class/competition due to lack of competitors. In event of cancellation, the competitor will be offered an alternative or a refund.
- Report time for all competitors is **09:00** hrs on Sat 13th & Sun 14th (Friday 12th is pm only and start time will be advised to those attending. If you are a competitor and would only be able to shoot on the Friday, please contact the Match Director)
- The Prizegivings will take place on Sunday 14th June on Range and competitors are asked to stay for prizegiving.
- All competitors must bring their Firearm Certificates
- A firers' briefing will be provided at each match by the CRO but generic range commands and specific match courses of fire (COF) are detailed below.
- Eye and Ear protection is mandatory while at the firing point.
- Competitors may be required to assist with basic range duties
- Competitors are strongly advised to keep all firearms that are not intended for immediate use locked securely in their cars and out of sight.
- Pets are NOT permitted on the ranges.
- Complimentary Food and Refreshments will be available on Saturday and Sunday.
- We will provide a commemorative Wapinschaw badge to each competitor.

Online entry form via Google forms may be accessed here:

<https://forms.gle/m6bWBueeMrJN8KhK6>

Match Specific Rules & Regulations:

Gallery Rifle and (Long barrel) Revolver/Pistol (GR&P): Unless otherwise stated the GR&P matches will comply with the conditions prescribed by The Gallery Rifle Hand Book of the National Rifle Association ([Gallery Rifle Handbook 2026](#)) As specified by the individual courses of fire, matches may be shot in the following categories: GRSB, GRCF standard, open (GRFCO) & classic (GRCFC), LBR, LBP. GRCF, GRCFO, GRCFC, GRSB, LBR and LBP scores will be submitted for inclusion in the NRA national GRID classification system. The scores will also be available as qualifying scores for the Scottish Gallery Rifle Squads. For LBR, LBP, only competitors with the appropriate authority listed on their FACs will be permitted to compete in these classes and FAC authority may be checked at registration.

Target Shotgun: The timed and precision 1 match will be shot as a combined class for multi-shot shotguns (semi-auto or pump). The Timed Steels Match will be run in two classes-multi shot shotgun (Section 1) and classic (section 2) shotgun categories. All other conditions will be as prescribed in the Target Shotgun Handbook of the National Rifle Association ([Target Shotgun Handbook 2026](#)). Only competitors" with the appropriate authority listed on their FACs will be permitted to compete with Section 1 shotguns and/or slug ammunition and FAC authority may be checked at registration.

Muzzle Loading Revolver (MLR): the muzzle loading matches permit any single shot or repeating muzzle loading handgun, any propellant subject to appropriate proof for the firearm and are iron sights (target sights are permitted) only. Other than where specified in the Wapinschaw Meeting Course of Fire and on-day Range Safety Briefs, conditions of fire will be as prescribed in the NRA ([Gallery Rifle Handbook 2026](#))

Courses of Fire

Match 1: 25 M Deliberate (£7) – 0101, 0102, 0103, 0104, 0121, 0122, 0142

Category: GRSB, GRCF, GRCF Open, GRCF Classic, LBR, LBP, MLR

Targets: GRCF, LBR, LBP & MLR 1 x PL7
GRSB 1 x PL14
MLR 1 x PL7

Position: Standing unsupported: Ready position is 45 degrees.

Scoring: 30 rounds; max Score 300 (30X)

Sighters: Unlimited sighters in (GRSB/CF; LBR/P); 5 sighters in 5 minutes (MLR/P)

Practice 1: 10 shots in 5 minutes (GRSB/CF; LBR/P); 5 shots in 5 minutes (MLR/P)

Practice 2: 10 shots in 5 minutes (GRSB/CF; LBR/P); 5 shots in 5 minutes (MLR/P)

Practice 3: 10 shots in 5 minutes (GRSB/CF; LBR/P); 5 shots in 5 minutes (MLR/P)

Match 2: Timed and Precision 1 (£7) - 0701, 0702, 0703, 0704, 0721, 0722, 0736, 0742

Category: GRSB, GRCF, GRCF Open, GRCF Classic, LBR, LBP, SGSA, MLR

Targets: GRCF, LBR, LBP, MLR, SG 1 x DP2
GRSB 1 x DP2a

Position: Standing unsupported: Ready position is 45 degrees - the firearm must be returned to the ready position between appearances

Scoring: 30 rounds; max Score 300 (30X). Maximum scores, targets will be removed, labelled and passed to Stats. Top scores will be separated on outward scoring by stats.

GRSB, GRCF, GRCFO, GRCFC, LBP, LBR, SG

Practice 1: 25 metres. 12 shots in 2 minutes, to include a reload (start with six rounds loaded only).

Practice 2: 15 metres. 12 shots in two strings of 6. For each string, 6 appearances of 2 seconds with intervals of 5 seconds. One shot only to be fired at each appearance.

Practice 3: 10 metres. 6 shots. The target will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with intervals of 5 seconds. Two shots only to be fired at each appearance.

MLR

Practice 1: 25 metres. 12 shots in 12 minutes, (starting with up to six rounds loaded). All time to include reloading

Practice 2: 15 metres. 12 shots in two strings of 6. For each string, 6 appearances of 2 seconds with intervals of 5 seconds. One shot only to be fired at each appearance.

Practice 3: 10 metres. 6 shots. The target will make 3 appearances of 4 seconds with intervals of 5 seconds. Two shots only to be fired at each appearance.

Match 3: Multi-Target (£7) – 1101, 1102, 1103, 1104, 1121, 1122

Category: GRSB, GRCF, GRCF Open, GRCF Classic, LBR, LBP

Targets: GRSB: 2 x DP1a
GRCF, LBP, LBR: 2 x DP1

Position: Standing unsupported: Ready position is 45 degrees - the firearm must be returned to the ready position between appearances

Scoring: 24 rounds; Max Score 120 (24X)

Practice 1: 25 metres. 6 shots in 15 seconds on the left hand target.

Practice 2: 20 metres. 3 shots on each target in 10 seconds.

Practice 3: 15 metres. 6 shots. The target will make 3 x 3 second appearances with intervals of 5 seconds. 2 shots to be fired at each appearance on the right hand target.

Practice 4: 10 metres. 6 shots (3 on each target) in 8 seconds.

Match 4: 1020 (£10) – 1601, 1602, 1603, 1604, 1621, 1622

Category: GRSB, GRCF, GRCF Open, GRCF Classic, LBR, LBP

Targets: GRSB: B1 (half size)

GRCF, LBP, LBR: B1 Full size

Positions: Standing unsupported, kneeling and sitting.

Ready Position: GRSB, GRCF: rifle held parallel; in Practices 1, 3, 5 rifle is to be loaded and made ready, in Practices 2, 6 loaded but NOT made ready; LBR: holstered, hammer down; LBP: holstered, slide forward, chamber empty. Note: holsters must retain the gun such that the trigger guard is covered.

Practice 1: GRCF: 30 seconds, GRSB, LBP, LBR: 20 seconds

Stage 1 10 metres. 12 shots standing unsupported, including reloads.

Stage 2 15 metres. 12 shots standing unsupported, including reloads.

LBR Double action only

Practice 2: 90 seconds, including reloads, 25M

6 shots kneeling

6 shots left hand standing unsupported

6 shots right hand standing unsupported

LBR Double action only

Practice 3: 35 seconds, including reloads

Stage 1 25 metres. 12 shots standing unsupported, including reloads.

Stage 2 25 metres. 12 shots standing unsupported, including reloads.

LBR Double action only

Practice 4: 2min 45seconds, including reloads, 25M

GRSB, GRCF 6 shots kneeling

6 shots sitting

6 shots left hand standing unsupported

6 shots right hand standing unsupported

LBP, LBR 6 shots sitting

6 shots kneeling

6 shots left hand standing unsupported

6 shots right hand standing unsupported

LBR Single or double action.

Practice 5: 12 seconds

Stage 1 25 metres. 6 shots standing unsupported.

Stage 2 25 metres. 6 shots standing unsupported.

LBR Double action only

Moving between positions: Firearms must be unloaded when moving between positions. All rounds and cases must be ejected before moving. GRSB and self-loading pistols must have the action locked open and the magazine removed. In the case of a GRSB which cannot be locked open, a Range Officer will appoint an additional safety supervisor for that competitor. GRCF must have the lever or action open. Revolvers must have the cylinder open. This rule does not apply when moving the firearm between shoulders / hands in the standing position

Reloading: After the initial order to load, all further loading must be with rounds taken from the competitor's pocket, cartridge belt, mechanical loader, special pouch or elsewhere on the competitor's person. Back-to-back magazines are permitted, as are rounds in pouches etc. on the gun. It is the competitor's responsibility to have sufficient ammunition in possession to complete the match or event.

Match 5: WA 48 (£7)

Category: LBR, LBP

Targets: B1 Full size

Positions: Standing unsupported, standing using barricade, kneeling using barricade and sitting.

Ready Position: **LBP:** Holstered loaded

LBR: Holstered

LBR must be fired double action throughout

Practice 1: 7M. 6 shots in 8 seconds, standing unsupported, strong hand only

Practice 2: 10M. 12 shots in 20 seconds, including reloads, standing unsupported

Practice 3: 15M. 12 shots in 20 seconds, including reloads, standing unsupported

Practice 4: 25M. 18 shots in 90 seconds
6 shots kneeling using barricade
6 shots left hand standing using barricade
6 shots right hand standing using barricade

Match 6: Target- Shotgun Speed Steels (£5)

Category: Multi-shot shotgun (section 1) and classic (section 2- up to 3 shot capacity).

Rounds: Minimum 20 rounds of bird shot (Max size UK no.4), fibre wad only.

Targets: up to 20 x Steel plates (and/or static clays). "No shoot" targets may be encountered. Targets must fall or break to count

Positions: Fired from shoot-boxes. Firing is predominantly from standing though kneel or crouch may be required

Scoring: Comstock

Practice 1: Start loaded and made ready with safety catch applied, shotgun held parallel at waist height in both hands and pointing at target-field. On audible start signal, engage up to 10 x reactive targets. Shooter may reload as necessary. Timer stops when all plates have been hit.

Practice 2: Start loaded and made ready with safety catch applied, shotgun held parallel at waist height in both hands and pointing at target-field. On the audible start signal, engage 10 x reactive targets from 2 x barricades. Shooter must use both barricades to engage the full spectrum of targets. Shooter may reload as necessary. Timer stops when all plates are hit.

General Range Commands-all events:

- On arrival at firing point all firearms are to remain bagged until permitted by the Chief Range Officer (CRO) to uncase/unbag and all firearms will then be checked clear by range safety officers (RSO).
- The CRO will detail the COF and permit a short duration for competitors to make preparations
- The CRO will check that eye and hearing protection is being worn and call competitors to LOAD and/or MAKE READY (dependent on the COF) and request "IS THE LINE READY?"
- If not ready, a competitor must call in clear and calm manner "NOT READY". The RO will inform the line of the NOT READY call and permit a short period of amelioration.
- Once the line is suitably readied, the CRO will note that "THE LINE IS READY" and state "STANDBY", after which the COF will commence with either targets turning to face competitors or on the sound of a whistle as dependant on COF.
- At the end of each practice, the CRO will state "CEASEFIRE, UNLOAD AND SHOW CLEAR" or provide additional instruction as may be relevant to the specific match or stage of the match.
- In hearing "STOP, STOP, STOP" all shooters must immediately stop shooting, remove finger from trigger, maintain control of their firearm, keep their firearm pointing down range at the backstop and await further instruction. Any one present (range staff, competitors or spectators may issue a "STOP STOP STOP" command if they see anything that gives them cause for concern).
- All competitors, range staff and spectators must ensure that they do not disturb firers by entering into conversations near to the firing point during and prior to the completion of a practice.

Prizes: Individual keep-sake medals will be awarded for all matches and classes.

Annual Wapinschaw Championship Trophies will be awarded for

County Broach:	Gallery Rifle Small Bore Champion Match 1 + Match 2 + Match 3 - GR SB
City Broach:	Gallery Rifle Centre Fire Champion Match 1 + Match 2 + Match 3 - GR CF
TBD:	Gallery Rifle Open Centre Fire Champion Match 1 + Match 2 + Match 3 – GR CF Open
Classic Quaiche:	Gallery Rifle Classic Centre Fire Champion Match 1 + Match 2 + Match 3 – GR CF Classic
Lady Sempill Cup:	Gallery Pistol Small Bore Pistol Champion: Match 1 + Match 2 + Match 3 -LBP
Ladies Gold Cross:	Gallery Pistol Centre Fire Revolver Champion: Match 1 +Match 2 + Match 3 - LBR
Challenge Bowl:	Gallery Rifle Precision Champion: Match 1 GR SB + Match 1 GR CF
Forsyth Cup:	Gallery Rifle Timed & Precision 1 Champion: Match 2 GR SB + Match 2 GR CF
Cowie Claret Jug:	Gallery Rifle Service Champion: Match 3 GR SB + Match 3 GR CF
Artillery Trumpet	Gallery Rifle 1020 Rifle Champion: Match 4 GR SB + Match 4 GR CF
Maitland Mackie Cup:	Gallery Pistol 1020 Champion: Match 4 LBP + Match 4 LBR
Fintray Cup	Muzzle Loading Revolver Champion: Match 1 + Match 2 MLR