

LEWSEY CENTRE RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB - POINTS FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Club meets at Lewsey Centre on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7.30 pm until approximately 9.45 pm except on Bank Holidays when the Centre is closed.

New Provisional, or Probationary Members must attend the Club for a minimum of 3 months clocking up at least 9 visits before being considered for Full Membership. This allows a Provisional or Probationary Member to attend Safety Training and to display an aptitude for shooting generally. The period of 3 months can be extended if the Club's officers consider it appropriate having regard, amongst other matters, to the progress made by the applicant in shooting skills

New Provisional Members must have Safety Training before being allowed to shoot. One night per month is allocated as a training night and, apart from any other training which might be taking place on that night, the evening is dedicated for safety training for new Members when they are also introduced to basic weapon handling. Details of these evenings can be found on the Club's programme which is on the website and the programme is also displayed in the room behind the range

Provisional or Probationary Members are only allowed to shoot after having completed Safety Training and while being accompanied on a 1 to 1 basis with a Full Member.

Once Full Membership has been granted, any member wanting to purchase his or her own Firearms will have to apply to the Firearms Police Licensing Authority covering the area in which he or she resides in order to obtain an application form. These forms may usually be downloaded from the website for the relevant Police Licensing Authority

If help is required in completing these application forms please ask The Club Secretary. Applications usually take a minimum of 3 months from the time of application. Please note that whilst members may purchase ammunition at the Club for use during a training evening, any unused ammunition must not be taken away from the range unless the member concerned has a valid firearms certificate and the ammunition taken has been entered onto his or her certificate

Once Provisional Members become Full Members; a range of activities are provided e.g. black powder shooting, Military Lite Nights when full bore weapons such as Lee Enfields are fired using light ammunition loads rather than full loads

There are periodic visits to Bisley Rifle Range for various Firing disciplines. I.e. pistol calibre weapon firing, bench rest, 100 yard range, prone shooting at various ranges up to 1000 yards. However Members must join the Bisley Section before attending at Bisley although arrangements can be made to allow a visit under strict supervision for training purposes. Before attending their first meeting at Bisley Members must attend a training session at Lewsey Centre and the best time to do this is on a Military Lite Nite. Members must have a Bisley Card before being able to take part in shooting at Bisley unless attending for training purposes as mentioned above. The dates when the Club has bookings for shooting at Bisley are shown on the Club's programme.

Some nights at Lewsey Centre are split into normal shooting disciplines and turning target shooting and there are evenings which are dedicated to competition shooting, whether by way of external postal competitions or internal Club competitions. All members are encouraged to take part in such competitions.