



Council for Cadet Rifle Shooting

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INTERNATIONAL TEAMS TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT WEEKEND FOR COMMUNITY CADETS

INTRODUCTION

1. Each year the Council for Cadet Rifle Shooting (CCRS) selects a representative British Cadet Rifle Team (The Athelings) (BCRT), consisting of a Commandant, Adjutant, Armourer and 18 Cadets and United Kingdom Cadet Rifle Team (UKCRT) consisting of a Commandant, Adjutant and 12 Cadets drawn from Contingents of the Combined Cadet Force and from Units of the Sea Cadet Corps, Volunteer Cadet Corp, Army Cadet Force and Air Training Corps.
2. BCRT. The team competes in the National Rifle Association (NRA) Imperial Meeting at Bisley in July and goes to Ottawa, Canada to compete in the Royal Canadian Army Cadet National Target Rifle Meeting and in the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association (DCRA) Meeting (this is a four-week tour in July/August). The team competes both as Individuals and as a British Cadet Team against the National Rifle Team of the Royal Canadian Army Cadets. The tour to Canada is part of the annual exchange programme with Canada; it is officially sponsored and grant-aided by the Ministry of Defence.
3. UKCRT. The team competes in the National Rifle Association (NRA) Imperial Meeting at Bisley in July and goes to the Channel Islands to compete in the Jersey Open Target Rifle Meeting (this is a ten-day tour in August). They compete both as individuals and as a UK Cadet Team against the Channel Island Cadets. The tour to Jersey is officially sponsored and grant-aided by the Ministry of Defence

TRAINING & ASSESSMENT WEEKEND

4. Given that cadets in Community Cadet units often do not have as much opportunity to shoot Target Rifle (TR) as other cadets, CCRS proposes to run a training and development course for Community Cadets over the weekend 22-24 Oct 21. The course will be based at Bisley, shooting on Bisley ranges and staying at Brunswick Camp.
5. 18 cadets are allocated places on the course. Ideally, they would be 12 'seniors' i.e. cadets who are of the appropriate age for BCRT in the following year and 6 'juniors' i.e. cadets of an appropriate age for UKCRT. The mix of seniors and juniors will depend upon the nominations received.
6. Eligibility. To attend this course, cadets must be nominated and supported by the Cadet Unit and must satisfy the following criteria.
 - a. Be an active member of any Unit of the Sea Cadet Corps, Volunteer Cadet Corps, Army Cadet Force or Air Training Corps.
 - b. For BCRT, be the holder of a British passport.
 - c. Character. Be recommended by the Unit as a worthy ambassador of his/her country and as a member of a British Cadet Team.
 - d. Age.

- i. Senior - be under 18 on the 1st September in the year following the Course.
- ii. Junior - be under 17 on the 1st September in the year following the Course.

- e. Shooting Experience. Normally, have shot in at least two Inter-Service Cadet Rifle Meetings (ISCRM). Successful candidates will normally also have competed in a NRA Imperial Meeting or a DCRA Meeting. Due to COVID, it is understood that for 2021/2022, most cadets will not be able to meet these criteria. Other shooting experience will be taken into account.

- f. Be available to attend a Team practice at Bisley during a weekend in March/April 2022 and to compete in the Target Rifle events of the NRA Imperial Meeting (8 days in July) in 2022.

- g. Be available to go to Canada for 4 weeks in Jul/Aug 2022 (BCRT) or Jersey Aug 2022 (UKCRT).

- h. Be able to find the necessary funds for clothing and equipment, plus pocket money and sundry expenses (personal contribution for BCRT will be approximately £500- £600) or Jersey (£250-300).

All cadets participating in the course will benefit from expert tuition and coaching. Cadets will also be assessed for suitability for BCRT or UKCRT selection.

7. Training & Assessment Weekend Assistance. Cadets will receive the following assistance for the weekend of 22-24 Oct 21:

- a. Major expenses will be paid by the relevant cadet authorities to cover travel, accommodation, messing and shooting costs.

- b. CCRS can provide rifles if required. Cadets are to bring all other shooting equipment, and a full kit list will be issued with joining instructions.

8. Queries. Any queries should be addressed to the Shooting Manager of the CCRS.

9. Nomination Procedure. Cadets wishing to be considered for the Pre-Selection Training weekend must be nominated by the cadet unit using the nomination form at the link below, which should be submitted to the CCRS by Friday 17th Sep 21.

<https://forms.office.com/r/KFabbafG7n>

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