

## Report on England Teams at the Phoenix Meeting 2021

It was good to finally get back to competitive shooting and to see so many smiling faces over the weekend. (even Ted)

Many thanks to all those who put themselves forward for the team selection and apologies for those that missed the email (Phil). I was aware that Wales and Scotland may have difficulties raising enough numbers for full teams so was happy for this to be a team "tasting session" however, both Wales and Scotland put forward admirable teams and, as usual, Scotland gave us a good run for our money.

in the individual divisions Scotland took Smallbore and LBP with England taking centrefire and LBR disciplines. But it is with great pleasure that I can announce that the overall rifle aggregate competition was won by **England Red** with a total of **3296** over Scotlands **3271**, Wales coming in with **3228**.

Congratulations to :

Centrefire team

**Gary Bowden**

**Steve Lamb**

**Chris West**

**Morne Van Dalen**

**Dave Morrow**

and Smallbore team

**David Guest**

**Jake Mossom**

**Steve Lane**

**Keith Kilvington**

**Jacky Lamb**

If you do not already have one, these team members are eligible for an English XX half colours badge. Contact Nobby for details.

There is no official trophy for this match and the NRA tried to give me the International 1500 trophy, as we were the only teams competing, but I respectfully declined as I feel this should be reserved for International teams at that competition only. I am hoping that the National trophy shield can be altered to include the Phoenix as well as the Welsh & Scottish open competitions.

I hope you all had an enjoyable weekend and look forward to seeing at the Nationals in August when we hope to do it again. Please watch out for the Email/post with the link to the attendance form so I know who will be attending for my team selection.

Keep practicing and stay safe

David Guest