English Twenty Club - National Match 2022

I am honoured to have been appointed by the Council of the EXX Club to lead England in the National Match to be shot at Bisley on Wednesday 20 July 2022. Wales were winners by one point in 2021, and my mission is clear: to regain the trophy for England in 2022.

This message is addressed to all those uncapped English Twenty Club members who aspire to shoot in the National team, and to those who have shot the match on one previous occasion. Club members who fall into these categories will make up half of the twenty shooters and all of the reserves in the England National team.

My challenge is to identify England's in-form uncapped and once-capped shooters. Congratulations to those of you who have already been selected for the current cohort of England Lions; you are on the club's development pathway and you will have had access to some of England's most accomplished coaches and mentors.

Others, who are not in the Lions squad, also have every opportunity to attract the selectors' attention through their performances during the coming season. Clearly, current form is a major criterion in team selection, and performances during the Imperial Meeting, especially at 300 yards, will be of particular importance.

Martin Liversage has kindly agreed to take on the role of adjutant, and the following will make up a highly experienced coaching team in the National Match:

Main coach: Jeremy Langley

Target coaches: Matthew Ensor, Derek Lowe, Graham Nelson, Bill Richards, Nick Tremlett

Planning is well under way and we will be entering a team for the "RAF Match" at Bisley on Sunday 15 May in the afternoon. This match is shot under National Match conditions and my plan is that all twenty English Twenty Club shooters will be uncapped or once-capped in previous National matches. Please apply by completing the form overleaf and sending it to me (national@englishtwenty.org.uk) for consideration. Team selection will be confirmed at least one month before the match. Practice targets will be available in the morning, and the cost is estimated at around £83 per person including the practice.

The English Twenty Club Spring Meeting will take place on 21/22 May and you are encouraged to enter it. As usual, England will enter a team for the Lawrence Match, to be shot at Blair Atholl on Saturday 18 June. I plan to be there and I hope that some of you will be too.

I look forward to meeting many of you during the coming season, and to selecting some of you to represent England in the National Match. All team members must be English Twenty club members and please don't forget to enter the English Twenty Club Championship (entries to be received prior to commencement of the Grand Aggregate) in order to qualify for National Match selection.

In conclusion, I wish you a very Happy New Year and Good Shooting in 2022!

Steven A Thomas – Captain



APPLICATION FOR SELECTION

RAF MATCH SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022

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EXX CLUB MEMBER?
MEMORABLE PERFORMANCES IN THE LAST 3 SEASONS: