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## Editorial

Well, we hope that you all enjoy reading this Newsletter.

Please don't be shy or slow in sending any little titbits that you think may be interesting to other members. We would love to hear from anyone. Photographs are especially welcome - it depends on you, the members. Any 'For Sale' or 'Wanted' ads?

Please have any input for the October edition by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2006.

Here's hoping that you all enjoy your sport during the rest of 2006.

Your Eds,

*Dennis & Cath*

# Dates for your Diary 2006

## 3rd Wednesday of every month

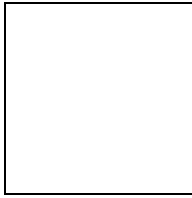
**Social Shoot at Kelbrook Shooting Ground, Colne.**  
from 10.45 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.  
followed by informal pub lunch at the Anchor Inn at Salterforth

19 April	2006	17 May	2006
21 June	2006	19 July	2006
16 August	2006	20 September	2006
18 October	2006	15 November	2006
20 December	2006		

**Don't forget that non-members are welcome to join us at these shoots.**

<b>30<sup>th</sup> April 2006</b>	<b>(Sun)</b>	<b>Provincial Shoot</b> Lindale Gun Club, Grange over Sands 25 Sporting, 25 Compact starting 11.30 Presentation 14.00 hrs.at Lindale Hotel (See page 5)
<b>29<sup>th</sup> May 2006</b> (Bank Holiday)	<b>(Mon)</b>	<b>Essex Club Championships</b> Arnold farm, Aldbridge, Essex 100 bird sporting over 13 stands 2 teams of 5 will shoot 'back to back' Entry fee £125 per team of 5 Contact Mike Casey.
<b>18<sup>th</sup> June 2006</b>	<b>(Sun)</b>	<b>National Shoot</b> Leighton Hall, Carnforth (See page 4)
<b>8<sup>th</sup> &amp; 9<sup>th</sup> July 2006</b>	<b>(Sat/Sun)</b>	<b>Raby Gala, Durham</b> (See page 5)
<b>1<sup>st</sup> October 2006</b>	<b>(Sun)</b>	<b>Inter Provincial Shoot</b> Dolphin Shooting Ground, Longton 50 bird Sporting, starting at 11.00 Presentation 13.30 at Dolphin Hotel (See page 5)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> December 2006</b>	<b>(Sun)</b>	<b>Christmas Shoot</b> 50 bird Sporting, starting at 11.00 <b>Bring a Prize - Win a Prize</b> Presentation 13.30 at Dolphin Hotel

## *National Inter-Provincial Clay Pigeon Shooting Competition*



The Third National Masonic Inter-Provincial Clay Pigeon Shooting Competition is to be held at Leighton Hall, Carnforth, Lancashire, by kind permission of the owners; the Gillow-Reynolds family.

The earliest records of Leighton Hall go back over 750 years to 1246 when it is known that Adam D'Avranches had a fortified manor there and even today the current owner is a direct descendant of him. The Hall enjoys a wonderful and colourful history and provides an excellent backdrop for our latest National Competition.

The event is to take place on Sunday 18th June 2006 when it is hoped, as on previous occasions that Provinces from all over the country will be represented and compete in a 100 bird Sporting Competition and as on previous occasions there will be representation from professional shooting bodies: BASC, Shooting Conservancy, The British Deer Society etc.

The 2006 competition is to be jointly in favour of The New Masonic Samaritan Fund for which the Province of West Lancashire is currently engaged in raising funds towards the 2010 Festival\* and Brian House (named after it's first President Brian Redhead, the famous writer and broadcaster) the newest children's hospice in the county and part of Trinity House – the Hospice of the Fylde. Brian House was founded as recently as 1996 and is in great need of financial support if it is to continue with its high standard of palliative care for children.

With your support this event promises to be, as on previous occasions, a prestigious sporting occasion. There will also be a classic car display, suckling pig roast and many other points of interest, where many old friendships will be renewed and new ones created.

## **Provincial Shoot**

This years Provincial Shoot will be held at Lindale Gun Club, Nr. Grange over Sands on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April**. The event will be a 25 Bird Sporting and 25 Bird Compact starting at around 11.30 a.m., with lunch and presentations afterwards at The Lindale Inn, Lindale.

**Directions:** Take Junction 36 off the M6 Motorway and follow the A590 signposted Grange over Sands until you see the sign on the left hand side for Ulpha, turn left and the shooting ground is on the left as you follow the road around.

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or

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## **RABY GALA – DURHAM**

The WLMCPSS has once again been invited to participate in the shooting event at Raby Gala this year to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July by kind permission of Lord Barnard, Past Provincial Grand Master of the Province of Durham at his family seat of Raby Castle. Shooting this year is on Saturday and will be a 50 Bird Sporting event. If the last time was anything to go by it's not a shoot for the faint hearted. There's lots to do for all the family – but don't forget the insect repellent!! More details from Glynn Wrennall on 015394 43903 ([glynnwrennall@btinternet.com](mailto:glynnwrennall@btinternet.com))

## **Inter-Provincial Shoot 2006**

This year it's the turn of West Lancashire to host the Inter-Provincial Shoot on 1<sup>st</sup> October at Longton Gun Club (The Flying Fish), Marsh Lane, Longton. The 50 Bird Sporting Layout will start at approx 11.00 a.m. with lunch and presentations afterwards in the Dolphin Pub. We are expecting a good turn out this year from neighbouring Provinces so mark this date in your diaries now. Further details from Mike Casey on 01253 403731 or Mike Clowes on 01253 404275 or any Committee member.

# COACHING CLINICS

The WLMCPSS has recently launched its own tuition section called “Coaching Clinics” under the watchful eye of our own resident ex-UK team coach W.Bro. Mike Casey (Tel: 01253 403731 or [gwmikecasey@gmail.com](mailto:gwmikecasey@gmail.com)) and Bro. Lawrence Alston (Tel: 01772 456177 or e-mail [lawrencealston@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:lawrencealston@blueyonder.co.uk)) who are both willing to coach individuals or for that something special event why not try a Lodge ‘Have a Go’ Fun Day, along with refreshments at many venues around the Province. More details available direct from either Mike or Lawrence.

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## Kelbrook

### Directions to get to Kelbrook Lodge on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday every month

Follow the **M65** to the end (Colne direction)

Take the **Skipton A56** sign along Vivary Way.

The first village is **Foulridge**. The road runs through 2 reservoirs, first on your right then on the left.

The next village is **Kelbrook**. Notice the BP petrol station on your right.

Follow the Skip ton (A56) sign at the roundabout, then turn 1<sup>st</sup> right into Kelbrook village **Main Street**.

Take the 1<sup>st</sup> right at the Post Office - **Waterloo Road**.  
Then 1<sup>st</sup> left off Waterloo Road - **Cob Lane**.

**Check milometer** - now drive exactly one mile up Cob Lane, then turn left up a wide tarmac track.

**Kelbrook Lodge** is situated in woodlands 400m up the track to the left hand side.

## Family Fun Day

Sunday, 25th September was the day the Furness and South Lakeland Group held their annual clay pigeon shooting 'have a go' Family Fun Day under the directorship of W. Bro. Alan McDougal. Alan was ably helped along by his wife Christine, W. Bros. Gilbert Bushby, Jim Richards, Gary Neale and his wife Eileen and Mr. Chris Slater who offered professional tuition and gun safety to the many novices who turned up on the day.

The day was a little overcast with the occasional heavy shower and it was a little damp underfoot, but that did nothing to dampen the spirits of the many families who came along to have a go.

The highest score of the day was shared equally with 27 out of 30 by W. Bros. Ian Shaw and Keith Webber.

Then it was back to the Angler's Arms at Haverthwaite where 48 brethren, family and friends sat down to a roast beef dinner, presentation and the raffle. There were many winners, well everyone really, because we all had such a good time and helped raise £164.00 to go towards the presentation to charity at the National Masonic Inter-Provincial Clay Pigeon Shooting Competition at Leighton Hall, Carnforth next June.

(See page )

Congratulations Furness and South Lakeland Group.

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*If we are a country committed to free speech, why do we have phone bills?*

*Those who think they know everything are very annoying for those of us who do.*

*Good sense is easier to have than use.*

*All you need is ignorance and confidence, then success is sure.*

## Turkey Shoot 2005

On Sunday, 4th December over 30 members and their families went along to the Flying Fish Shooting Ground at Longton to enjoy the annual Turkey Shoot. We were still happily enjoying the freakish weather we seem to enjoy these days and it was no surprise to have such a warm, mild day – Longton Marsh is well known as a wet and windy area.

The shoot was of a particularly high standard with a couple of easy stands and a couple that sorted the men from the boys. The competition was a 30 Sporting Bird and the Masonic high gun was W. Bro. Paul James with a score of 25. The high score on the ground was a magnificent 29.

So it was off to the pub for a spot of lunch and the presentation of the prizes. As is the custom of our Turkey Shoots everyone brings a prize so everyone leaves with one, presented in reverse order so that the lowest shoot of the day has first choice and so on with the winner actually choosing last. The lowest score and the winner of the competition was Rachel Chester (daughter of the infamous Danny) with a worthy score of 5 out of 30.

A wonderful day at a great shoot, in great company with an excellent pub lunch.

See you next year.

## WORSLEY GRANGE

Worsley Grange Gun Club on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2006 saw the first in a series of Away Day events where shooters from other Provinces are invited to come and shoot a bit and eat a bit so to speak. The shoot a bit this time was in the style of a 50 bird Sporting on a super layout of a similar standard to Kelbrook and the eat a bit was in the form of a carvery lunch at the John Gilbert pub next to the M60 motorway junction.

There were shooters from East Lancashire, Cumberland and Westmorland and West Lancashire in attendance this time. Whoever named Manchester the rainy city certainly got that one right and many of our competitors were held up on the motorway due to a serious accident (our thoughts go out to those involved and their families).

The winner, taking the trophy and the whisky, was Bro. Lloyd Davies with a score of 43 out of 50, runner-up was our Shoot Captain, Mr. High Gun himself, W.Bro. Mike Clowes with 38 and Mike Casey Jnr was 3<sup>rd</sup> with 28.

From a wet and misty Manchester morning there was a little ray of sunshine on everyone's faces as they left the pub looking forward to the next event.

# Sportsman's Dinner

31<sup>st</sup> March 2006

145 gentlemen attended the bi-annual Sportsman's Dinner of the Society which was held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2006, at Wellington Park, Leyland where a super five-course dinner was provided. On arrival at the dinner table everyone was asked to place £2 in an envelope with their name on it with a chance of winning a pair of wonderful Nikon Sportstar Binoculars kindly donated by Wilkinson's Cameras, this raised a magnificent £290.

There was then a thrilling game of stand up bingo for a bottle of 10 year old Glenmorangie, organised by W.Bro. John Hammond, and ironically won by our MC for the evening W.Bro. John Henry Mayor.

The principal speaker for the evening, (ex. Royal Navy submariner) Stan Taylor, then amused the audience with his anecdotes and tales at the conclusion of which he received a standing ovation.

There was then an auction of sporting memorabilia with a Manchester City signed football raising £61, a Blackburn Rovers ball raising £60 and a Wigan RLFC ball raising £50. The highlight of the auction was a Hole Pennant from the Father and Son Challenge Pro Am pairings in Florida, mounted in a wonderful frame and signed by Vijay Singh, Bernhard Langer, Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino, Tom Kite and Curtis Strange just to mention a few names. This, however, sadly didn't reach its reserve but a private sale is currently in the offing.

It was then time for North Eastern comedian Max Peters who was very well received.

There was the a Chorley Swindle (sorry - raffle) for a beautiful, bright yellow, remote controlled Ferrari which raised the magnificent sum of £265.00.

Many thanks to all who contributed prizes.

The Society Vice-Chairman then thanked John Henry and W.Bro. Kevin O'Brien for MC'ing the event, W.Bro. Ian Heyes for his organisational skills and all his committee members for their efforts. He went on to advise the audience of the forthcoming National Shoot to be held at Leighton Hall, Carnforth on 18<sup>th</sup> June towards which the proceeds of the night's event were to go, helping raise the amount to be given to charities on the day.

Finally he wished everyone Good night and a safe journey home.

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## Internet Site

Don't forget to visit the Provincial web site for all the current  
information for the Society.

Information changing all the time !

**[www.westlancsfreemasons.org.uk](http://www.westlancsfreemasons.org.uk)**

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