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2012 SuperShot Challenge

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"Ministry of Fun" Deputies Shoot to the Top

The 2012 **SuperShot Challenge** competition, consisting of 7 completely different shooting competitions, took place in splendid weather on Saturday at the Crabbé ranges in St. Mary. 26 teams, each of 4 competitors and an experienced mentor, did their best at Archery, Fullbore Rifle, Clay, .22 Pistol, Muzzle-loading Musket, Air Pistol and Smallbore Rifle.

It was started off with a splendid bang at 08.00, when Senator Sarah Ferguson fired a Napoleonic cannon. And then re-started at 13.20 after lunch, when the Attorney General, Tim Le Cocq, lit the blue touch-paper.

The States Deputies "**Ministry of Fun**" Team of John Le Fondré, Gerard Baudains, Collin Egré and John Le Bailly, mentored by Mick Cotillard, were in terrific form throughout the day and in every event, winning the Persuaders Class as well as getting the highest team score overall. They finished with an amazing 2056 points, 123 points clear of the 2nd highest-scoring team, the Crown Officers' "**Dogs of Law**".

The other States Deputies team, the **"Deputies Division"**, came 2nd in the Persuaders Class with tremendous help from a visiting ex-Westminster MP, Martyn Jones, who stepped down at the 2010 General Election, after 23 years in Parliament.

Guy Thorne-Booth of Mourant Ozannes, a consistent *SuperShot* high-scorer for many years, achieved his dream of actually winning the *SuperShot* Champion Cup, with an excellent score of 573, which helped his team, "Modus Operandi 1" into 2nd place in the Untouchables Class.

Nicola Jones of Guernsey had a startling start to her day by crash-landing at Jersey Airport. But she didn't let the put her off too much and she helped her team, **"Deutsche Bank 3"** into 3rd place in the Wizards class.

Separate Mentors' Class

By definition the Mentors are experienced shooters, so their scores are not included in their team's scores. Instead they have a competition of their own.

Peter Quimby, who was mentoring the "**Deputies Division**" team, has won the Mentors' class many times. But this year he was in especially stunning form in every discipline, achieving an extraordinary total of 620 ex 700, to win by 56 points over Andy de la Haye of the "Teleri" team with 564 and Richard Benest of the "**Hole Punchers**" in 3rd place with 542.

Like Nicola Jones, Andy had had a disconcerting start to his day and he also hadn't let it stop him from shooting extremely well. He is a professional fisherman and one of his large live lobster containers had broken free during the night. So, before he could do any shooting, he had to track it down and secure it.

Raffle

Shona Weir and her team ran a brilliant raffle, which raised over £1,200 and very effectively filled the time between the last competition ending and the announcement of the results.

Good Causes

When all sponsorship monies are in, the total funds raised by this year's **SuperShot** seem likely to be close to £10,000, which will be shared between the Jersey and Guernsey Hospices to help with their fantastic work and the Jersey Shooting Federation, to help Jersey teams to compete in the Commonwealth Shooting Federation Championships.

Photos

Gregory Guida, while mentoring the attractive **"Twelve Bore Babes"** team, took lots of excellent photos. They can be seen at:

http://gallery.me.com/gregory.guida/101228

Click on the selected image to enlarge, then click on the down arrow.

Results

These can now be examined in detail on the Jersey Shooting Federation website:

http://www.jsf.org.je



A Few Selected Photos

"The Connétables" team, captained by Juliette Gallichan of St. Mary, being briefed by their Mentor, Sue de Gruchy ... but somebody is not paying attention!



The "Twelve Bore Babes" had a nice line in pink ear protectors.



After a 2nd place and many thirds, veteran Guy Thorne-Booth is being congratulated by Senator Sarah Ferguson on becoming the *SuperShot* Champion at last.



Nicola Jones of Guernsey, who didn't let her crash-landing at Jersey Airport stop her competing, and her team captain, Martin Speller of Deutsche Bank.