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Dear WARC Member,

In this Start of Season letter may I begin by introducing myself as new Club Chairman. As a longstanding member I am happy to be able to give something back so to speak. As can be seen from the heading to the letter the Club also has a new Secretary in Jim McCall and a new Treasurer in Walther van Stripriaan, a more recent club member who has qualifications in accountancy and finance which is also his day job. James Bell joins Mike Baillie-Hamilton as Vice-Chairman.

The Club is indebted to our previous office holders for their services and once again I would express thanks on behalf of the Club.

The AGM saw the introduction of an updated “modern” Constitution and Bye Laws which will shortly be available from the Club’s website as also the minutes of the AGM password protected. Last year’s results and trophy winners can be found on the website.

There is heartening news regarding our electronic targets which have been completely stripped down, rebuilt and to be refaced for the start of the season and ready for all that the weather can throw and we can aim at them. Our gratitude goes to Des Parr and his helpers for their considerable efforts over the winter in ensuring the continuing success of Jubilee Range as the unofficial home of rifle shooting in Scotland.

At the start of last year a new Lease was agreed with the Atholl Estate and signed. Everyone’s co-operation in maintaining good relations with the Estate is expected.

The season commences on 16 March with the target rig followed by a work day on 26 March. Please bear in mind that many hands make light work and a good turn out on these days and at the work day on 2 July would be appreciated.

Please remember that subscriptions must be paid by 15th March and in terms of the new Bye Laws anyone failing to pay by that date will automatically cease to be a member with unfortunate consequences. So to all who have not already paid, please pay your subs by return.

This year will see the commencement of Scottish Target Shooting as the new governing body for target shooting in Scotland. Membership application forms will be coming out to all previous SRA members and all shooters are encouraged to join the new body.

Finally, the range can only continue for as long as the Club is supported by its members therefore if no other resolution has been made for 2016 then a resolution to turn out to shoot more often than last year is a good one.

May I close by wishing all a successful year on the range.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Woodhead". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Chairman, WARC