

## PHOENIX MEETING 2008

A huge thank you to all the people who attended the Phoenix meeting and to those of you who stayed on for the prize giving, but I must reserve my largest appreciation for all of our volunteers. Without their fantastic efforts, the Phoenix and all the GR & P meetings could not run. After the call went out for extra help I was inundated with calls from extra helpers. Now, with our biggest meeting experienced, those new people will, hopefully, volunteer again.

There was a small piece in the Times, 'Sport In Brief' column on Wednesday 28th May, mentioning the Phoenix, and the results were in both Times and Telegraph results section. A (very) small first for Gallery Rifle, Pistol and the Phoenix in the national papers!

The ranges were very busy this year as 530 people entered 2652 events. This is the highest yearly average of just over 5 events per person and one person managed to fit in 23 events.

## PHOENIX RAFFLE RESULTS

1st place

GSG -5 .22rf Rifle

Lynne-Marie Smith- GRid 1454

2nd Place

Free 2008 Phoenix entry

Darren Squire- GRid 1320

3rd Place

Free NRA Membership

Ashley Dagger- GRid 180

Since Ash is standing for election to the NRA General Council, he might need a refund!

## PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

We did have some drizzle for the Phoenix weekend but I can assure you that on the Monday, for the International, it was raining persistently . But fun was still had by all. The Range Officers had to cope with extraordinarily wet conditions, a big 'well done' for them.

Phoenix International Trophy

1st UK 5970 456X

2nd Republic of Ireland 5896 354X

3rd Germany 5857 280X

Phoenix International Cup

1st UK 5934 417X

2nd Germany 5888 318X

There are many Phoenix photographs out on the world wide web.

Two sites you might see yourself are

[www.galleryrifle.co.uk](http://www.galleryrifle.co.uk) and the newly up and running [www.galleryrifle.com](http://www.galleryrifle.com)

There will be a Phoenix wash up meeting at the end of the month so please feel free to pass on any comments/points that might improve the running of our meetings.

I would like to point out that the final results are now published and were final as at Sunday evening.

A lot of competitors are now ringing or emailing me, stating that their scores are wrong or not entered. All I will say is, there's a big pile of scorecards incorrectly filled out, no name or the wrong score entered.

Our next meeting will be The Gallery Rifle National Championships at the end of August and we must surely be due some warmer weather! I hope to see many of you there.

*Good shooting and good luck!*

*Brian Thomas*