## **FOREWORD**

This is the latest version of the Great Britain Rifle Teams records compiled by Colin Cheshire and now updated by Karen Robertson.

The records give recognition to those that have won British and Canadian shooting post nominals after their names and now includes all British records for TR/MR/SR/F Class Overseas Matches. The use of post nominals after names has only been used for the records of overseas team members and has not been used in other records. The post nominals should be correct at the time of the tour and are not updated retrospectively.

Records of those who represented Britain at the Olympics in NRA disciplines are also included as well as the famous Irish and American Matches of 1874 and 1875 (both forerunners of the first Palma Match) and of 1880 - although truly a Home Country Team Match all of Ireland was at that time part of Great Britain and these matches are of considerable interest. Also included is the International Military Match of 1883 at Wimbledon.

The current GB abbreviations for ranks have been used for ease of reference. Readers should note that the ranks, titles and decorations shown are those accorded to the shooter or team officer at the time of the particular tour. Many people will have been promoted and/or awarded decorations at a subsequent date which have not been shown.

If more detailed records are required of the Palma Match, then please refer to the Palma Book (first printed in 1991); a second edition was printed in 1999 and copies and updates can be obtained from Colin Cheshire.

If more information is required of the Empire/Australia Match full detailed records are also available from Colin Cheshire.

If more information is required of the Kolapore Match full detailed records are available from Karen Robertson as below. In addition full detailed records of the Mackinnon and National Matches are also available.

We are also seeking any photographs of overseas Great Britain teams for a future large photographic section on this website. If you have photographs of your teams that you are happy to have published on the website please send them to Karen Robertson either by email to karen@banglogos.co.uk or by post to Karen Robertson c/o National Rifle Association, Bisley Camp, Brookwood, Woking, Surrey, GU24 OPB. Please include the year that the photograph was taken.

If you should notice any errors or omissions (including any formatting or spelling errors) please contact Karen Robertson at karen@banglogos.co.uk. Updated files will be uploaded to the website regularly.

Thank you

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