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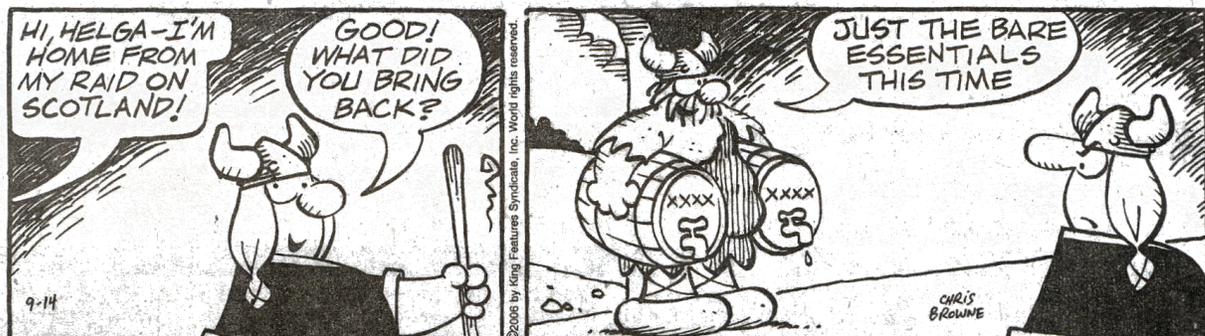
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Peter	1	3	5	2	[6]	1	3	3	24

High overall Bob, with 54% of targets hit. Justin and Peter had one perfect station each.

17th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	6	50
Dave	4	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	29
Jay	5	[6]	2	3	3	3	4	2	28
Peter	3	5	2	1	2	3	3	2	21

High overall Dave, with 48% of targets hit. Jason had one perfect station.

24th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	4	2	3	4	4	2	0	5	24
Jay	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	4	31
Peter	4	4	[6]	[6]	3	3	3	4	33

High overall Peter, with 66% of targets hit. Peter cleared two perfect stations.

31st May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	1	4	4	2	2	2	1	7	23
Jay	5	3	1	4	3	5	5	3	29
Justin	3	[6]	3	5	5	3	3	3	31
Peter	4	4	2	1	3	4	5	3	26
Dean	2	5	4	[6]	5	5	3	3	33

Dean joined the regular members for this shoot, and scored the high overall with 66% of targets hit. Justin was a close second, hitting 62% Justin and Dean had one perfect station each.

14th June	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Bob	[6]	3	3	4	5	2	5	4	32
Dave	5	2	1	[6]	[6]	4	4	7	35
Jay	4	[6]	0	3	4	2	3	6	28
Justin	5	5	3	3	5	2	3	3	29
Peter	4	3	3	[6]	3	3	1	5	28

High overall Dave, with 70% of targets hit. Dave also cleared the most perfect stations, hitting all birds on two stations. Bob, Jay, and Peter each cleared one perfect station.

5th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	50
Bob	5	5	4	2	5	5	4	[6]	2	38
Dave	[6]	3	5	3	0	5	4	5	0	31
Justin	5	3	3	3	3	5	3	[6]	1	32

High overall Bob, with 76% of targets hit. Each shooter cleared one perfect station.

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Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	10	52
Jay	5	3	3	4	[6]	4	2	4	31
Justin	4	3	1	3	3	1	5	4	24
Peter	4	4	3	4	2	4	4	7	32

High overall Peter, with 64% of targets hit. Only Jason cleared a perfect station.

19th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	54
Bob	1	5	4	[6]	5	4	5	5	5	40
Peter	2	4	2	5	5	5	2	3	5	33

High overall Bob, with 80% of targets hit. Bob cleared just one perfect station.

26th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	50
Bob	1	5	3	5	[6]	[6]	3	4	[2]	35
Jay	4	4	3	5	4	2	2	3	[2]	29
Justin	3	1	2	3	5	3	4	3	1	25
Peter	2	[6]	5	5	3	[6]	2	3	1	33

Bob scored the high overall with 70% of targets hit. Bob cleared three perfect stations, followed by Peter who cleared two and Jason who cleared one perfect station.

9th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	50
Bob	2	4	4	5	5	3	[6]	2	[4]	35
Dave	3	[6]	3	[6]	[6]	1	2	1	1	29
Jay	4	2	3	[6]	3	5	5	2	1	31
Peter	3	3	1	4	[6]	3	4	1	2	27

High overall Bob, with 70% of targets hit. Dave cleared the most perfect stations with three. Bob was second, clearing two, and Jay and Peter had one perfect station each.

16th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	50
Bob	2	3	2	3	5	5	5	2	3	30
Dave	4	[6]	1	1	3	3	5	0	1	24
Jay	3	2	2	3	5	2	4	1	1	23

High overall Bob, with 60% of targets hit. Dave was the only shooter to clear a perfect station.

30th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	4	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	50
Bob	2	4	5	1	4	5	5	3	[6]	35
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20th Sept	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
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Bob	3	[6]	3	5	5	5	[4]	5	5	41
Dave	3	4	3	0	2	4	3	4	1	24
Jay	4	3	2	4	3	2	[4]	2	4	28
Peter	5	5	[4]	4	2	4	3	3	4	34
Jess	0	3	[4]	1	3	0	1	1	2	15

The regular shooters were joined by Jess for this shoot. Bob scored the high overall, and achieved the season's high overall, hitting 82% of targets shot. Bob cleared two perfect stations, with Jay, Peter and Jess clearing one each.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 ✓	7 ✓
8 ✓	9 ✓	10 ✓	11 ✓	12 ✓	13 ✓	14 ✓
15 ✓	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

2017 NOVEMBER						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 ✓	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 ✓	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

2017 DECEMBER						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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Events

- October 6th - 15th ~ Bob's Birthday Excursion
- November 16th ~ Autumn Symposium
- November 23rd ~ Thanksgiving Day
- December 25th ~ Christmas Day
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Birthdays

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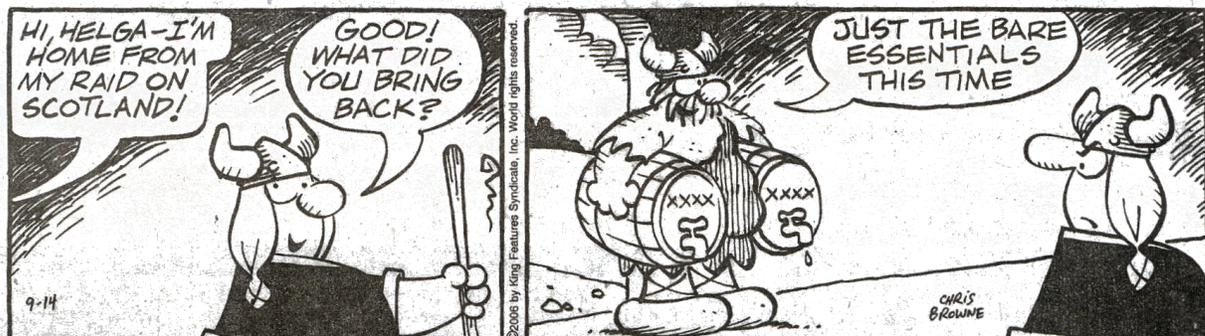
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Dave	4	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	29
Jay	5	[6]	2	3	3	3	4	2	28
Peter	3	5	2	1	2	3	3	2	21

High overall Dave, with 48% of targets hit. Jason had one perfect station.

24th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	4	2	3	4	4	2	0	5	24
Jay	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	4	31
Peter	4	4	[6]	[6]	3	3	3	4	33

High overall Peter, with 66% of targets hit. Peter cleared two perfect stations.

31st May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	1	4	4	2	2	2	1	7	23
Jay	5	3	1	4	3	5	5	3	29
Justin	3	[6]	3	5	5	3	3	3	31
Peter	4	4	2	1	3	4	5	3	26
Dean	2	5	4	[6]	5	5	3	3	33

Dean joined the regular members for this shoot, and scored the high overall with 66% of targets hit. Justin was a close second, hitting 62% Justin and Dean had one perfect station each.

14th June	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Bob	[6]	3	3	4	5	2	5	4	32
Dave	5	2	1	[6]	[6]	4	4	7	35
Jay	4	[6]	0	3	4	2	3	6	28
Justin	5	5	3	3	5	2	3	3	29
Peter	4	3	3	[6]	3	3	1	5	28

High overall Dave, with 70% of targets hit. Dave also cleared the most perfect stations, hitting all birds on two stations. Bob, Jay, and Peter each cleared one perfect station.

5th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	50
Bob	5	5	4	2	5	5	4	[6]	2	38
Dave	[6]	3	5	3	0	5	4	5	0	31
Justin	5	3	3	3	3	5	3	[6]	1	32

High overall Bob, with 76% of targets hit. Each shooter cleared one perfect station.

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12th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	10	52
Jay	5	3	3	4	[6]	4	2	4	31
Justin	4	3	1	3	3	1	5	4	24
Peter	4	4	3	4	2	4	4	7	32

High overall Peter, with 64% of targets hit. Only Jason cleared a perfect station.

19th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	54
Bob	1	5	4	[6]	5	4	5	5	5	40
Peter	2	4	2	5	5	5	2	3	5	33

High overall Bob, with 80% of targets hit. Bob cleared just one perfect station.

26th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	50
Bob	1	5	3	5	[6]	[6]	3	4	[2]	35
Jay	4	4	3	5	4	2	2	3	[2]	29
Justin	3	1	2	3	5	3	4	3	1	25
Peter	2	[6]	5	5	3	[6]	2	3	1	33

Bob scored the high overall with 70% of targets hit. Bob cleared three perfect stations, followed by Peter who cleared two and Jason who cleared one perfect station.

9th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	50
Bob	2	4	4	5	5	3	[6]	2	[4]	35
Dave	3	[6]	3	[6]	[6]	1	2	1	1	29
Jay	4	2	3	[6]	3	5	5	2	1	31
Peter	3	3	1	4	[6]	3	4	1	2	27

High overall Bob, with 70% of targets hit. Dave cleared the most perfect stations with three. Bob was second, clearing two, and Jay and Peter had one perfect station each.

16th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	50
Bob	2	3	2	3	5	5	5	2	3	30
Dave	4	[6]	1	1	3	3	5	0	1	24
Jay	3	2	2	3	5	2	4	1	1	23

High overall Bob, with 60% of targets hit. Dave was the only shooter to clear a perfect station.

30th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	4	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	50
Bob	2	4	5	1	4	5	5	3	[6]	35
Dave	2	2	3	3	4	4	3	4	2	27
Peter	2	1	1	2	4	2	1	[6]	1	20

Bob scored the high overall with 70% of targets hit. Bob and Peter cleared one perfect station each.

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Clays Shot	6	6	4	6	6	6	4	6	6	50
Bob	3	[6]	3	5	5	5	[4]	5	5	41
Dave	3	4	3	0	2	4	3	4	1	24
Jay	4	3	2	4	3	2	[4]	2	4	28
Peter	5	5	[4]	4	2	4	3	3	4	34
Jess	0	3	[4]	1	3	0	1	1	2	15

The regular shooters were joined by Jess for this shoot. Bob scored the high overall, and achieved the season's high overall, hitting 82% of targets shot. Bob cleared two perfect stations, with Jay, Peter and Jess clearing one each.

27th Sept	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	4	6	6	6	4	6	6	50
Bob	4	5	2	2	3	4	[4]	5	3	32
Dave	4	3	2	3	3	5	[4]	1	3	28
Peter	[6]	4	[4]	1	1	[6]	[4]	3	4	33

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER: THE "ISLAY EDITION"

Well, my birthday trip is almost upon us, and I'm sure that you all—as I—cannot wait for it to begin. I'm sure it will all be over too quickly, but let's not dwell on such things!

A year ago we were just bottling our first "club blend" and day-dreaming about going abroad together. Now the time is here to set sail, as it were. There's so much to see and experience that we simply will not be able to do, but I hope we've prepared to at least capture all the highlights, of the least of which are the shooting, scotching, and solidarity of our good fellowship. Of course there will be hustle and bustle to fit everything in, but I'm also looking

forward to just sitting with a glass in hand and watching the sunset over Ireland from our cozy perch at Cal-lumkill.

I was hoping that the Champion's Trophy would be moving to a new location this year as it's taking up too much space on my bookshelf, but alas, I think it will be here another year given the scores reported in this issue's Sporting Results pages. I would like to see mention provided to the other "worthy mentions" (Peter and Justin) who also attained praiseworthy status!

This year we had a few new faces join us for our several festivities. Robert Small and Tony

Fanale came to our Derby Party, and Robert, Jess, James and Dean visited us on one shoot each. Likewise, our ladies enjoyed an evening of their own, christening themselves as the "Shooting Wives Club."

As we enter into the last quarter of the year and begin preparations for the holidays, let us not forget those who, having been struck by several bad turns of the weather, cannot enjoy their time afield with close friends or at home with their families. I'm certain it's all part of some larger plan, though how so is simply beyond me...

Sláinte agus
Iosgadh math!
(good health and good shooting)



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FROM THE EDITOR [TIPLING@SCOTCHESTER.ORG]

Welcome to the second edition of the Scotches-ter Sportsmen's news-*letter, The Hunting Horn*. Given all the buzz about the upcom-*ing trip*, and since (unanimously) none of our membership con-

tributed to this edition, we've taken to brand-*ing this one "the Islay Edition"*. The articles in this quarter's letter all focus on Islay — most of them were simply lifted right off the websites of the

places about which they speak! The hope of course, is that they tickle your fancy and get you thinking about the trip.

This issue also includes a roundup of the 2017 season's sporting clays

results. We hope the reader will be happy with the layout and that this is something everyone will want to see again next year.

"Good Health,
Strong Drink, and
Happy Hunting!"

TOWN & COUNTRY

What started as a wet Winter turned pretty quickly into a wet Spring, leaving Rochester's lake-front in a shambles. Record high water levels washed away most of the earth all along the Lake Ontario shore.

But the Spring passed, and with it went the wet. Rochester then entered into one of the longest dry spells in its history — 20 straight days with no measurable rain! The area entered into a lovely Indian Summer in September, which generally would

see highs in the low 70's, topping out near 90 several days.

The good news is that the Niagara Celtic Festival in Olcott was one of the nicest weekends on record!

Around the country all the talk seems to focus on President Trump's "tweets" and the fact that the President's staff roster



We're not sandbagging anyone about the flooding — it's bad!

has seen more turnover than a McDonald's Restaurant. But don't worry, we'll still build that wall (even if we have to pay for it ourselves!).

HOME & ABROAD

In the last issue of this column, we discussed the goings-on in the Middle East and the dropping of the MOAB. Since then, it's been "All's quiet on the Eastern front." Except of course, there's the North Korea thing...

Let's turn our attention this month to something about the place we're going: Islay.

The Scottish Isle of Islay is part of the southern Hebrides and is

inhabited by 3,228 people (census 2011). The Isle of Islay is also called Queen of the Hebrides. With 8 working whisky distilleries, the stunning scenery, amazing wildlife and all the friendly people, Islay is a five star holiday destination.

The Isle of Islay is the southernmost island of the Inner Southern Hebrides of Scotland and lies in Argyll and Bute. The Isle of Jura, the Kintyre pen-

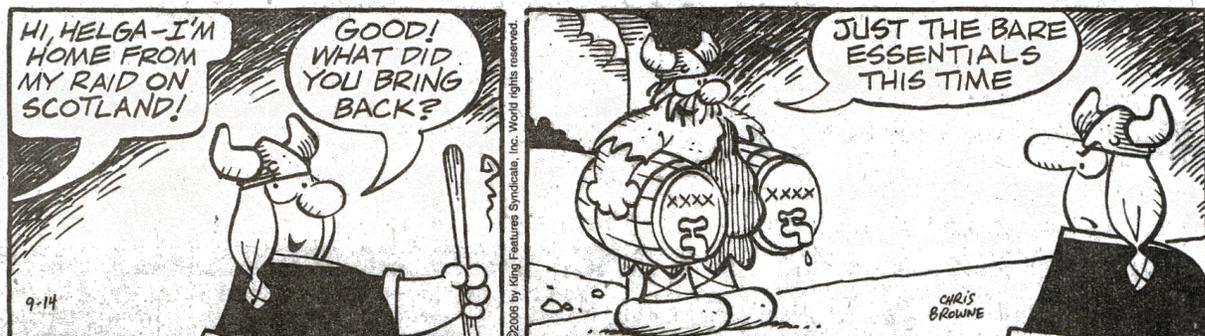
insula and Northern Ireland are Islay's neighbors. By the way, the proper pronunciation for Islay is Eye-la.

There are several remarkable hand craft businesses on Islay. The Persabus Pottery, Islay Woollen Mill and Islay Quilters should be on every visitor's itinerary. Some of these handcraft businesses can be found in Islay House Square, Islay Ales is one of them, and is Islay's only Brewery.

SOMETHING TO GROUSE ABOUT

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

CHRIS BROWNE



CASK, FLASK, AND GLASS

As Islay is “the Whisky Island”, it seems fitting that this edition’s drinks column should focus on beer! But since this is the Islay Edition of *The Hunting Horn*, the subject of this column will be on Islay Ales—Bridgend’s own craft brewery.

Islay Ales is the only brewery on the beautiful Isle of Islay, off the West Coast of Scotland. They produce hand crafted, high quality cask and bottle conditioned beers (also known as real ale) to be enjoyed at pubs across the island: Port Charlotte Hotel, Lochindaal Hotel, Islay House Hotel, Bridgend Hotel, Lochside

Hotel, Peatzeria, Islay Hotel, Ardview Inn, An Tigh Seinsse, Port Askaig Hotel, Ardbeg Distillery, Kilchoman Distillery, several of the whisky shops on Islay or, should the mood take you, you can bring their beer home.

Islay Ales produce a range of cask and bottle conditioned beers, which are neither filtered nor pasteurized and so continue to ferment and mature in both the cask and the bottle! They brew ten beers on a regular basis. Look out for the special limited edition beers which Paul and Steve produce from time to



Real Ale on tap!

time. These have included beers for the Islay Festival of Music and Malt in conjunction with Douglas Laing, Bruichladdich, Bowmore and Laphroaig Distilleries.

Sláinte!

THE GENTLEMAN’S VALET

The Islay Woollen Mill is situated just off the main Port Askaig road near Bridgend. The Mill is owned and run by Gordon and Sheila Covell and produces an excellent range of top quality woven fabrics, much in demand by the Hollywood film industry.

The Mill is a traditional family-run business and uses two

looms dating from Victorian times. Some of the machinery is unique and historical and much of it is still in use.

The Mill shop is open from Monday to Saturday and features a wide selection of both Woollen Mill products and quality souvenirs of Islay. Opening times are Monday to Friday 9am



to 5pm, Saturday 10am to 5pm.

Should you visit Islay, stopping at the Islay Woollen Mill is as necessary as touring a distillery.

THE SPORTING LIFE

What will it be like hunting on Islay, you wonder? Callumkill Estate’s website provides a little insight.

Donald MacNeill, Callumkill’s game keeper, was born and bred on Islay and has worked on Callumkill since 1993. He knows every inch of the ground and will guide you to the best locations for your day of sport as well as fill you in on the terrain,

history and wildlife.

On a day out you see changing views and terrains over every ridge rising from the sea to the top of Bheinn Solumh, the third highest peak on Islay. You walk through original oak woodland, over rocky outcrops, and past peaty burns, lochs and fells.

The first position for the shoot, once the beaters and dogs are in place, is usually over the south-

west of the estate by the river that supplies Lagavulin, with views over the Oa, the sea and Ireland beyond. Later, you’ll pass ancient monuments including a chambered cairn, the ruins of Solumh plague village, St Michael’s well. You’ll pass the loch, Uigeadail and the hill, Airgh na Bheiste that give Ardbeg the name of two of its whiskies.

2017 SHOOT RESULTS

SUMMARY RESULTS...

Shooter	Overall %	Overall Ranking	Total Clays Shot	Total Clays Hit	Avg Hit / Round Shot	Ranking	Adjusted %	Adjusted Ranking
Bob	68.5%	1	504	345	34.5%	1	68.6%	1
Jason	57.1%	2	452	258	28.7%	2	58.0%	2
Peter	56.8%	3	606	344	28.7%	2	57.3%	3
Dave	54.8%	4	500	274	27.4%	4	54.0%	4
Justin	53.6%	5	302	162	27.0%	5	54.0%	4

Rankings were very consistent. Jason and Peter scored the same average percentage, though the total number of clays each shot was quite different. Adjusted score reflects how a shooter performed without including the highest and lowest rounds. In this scenario, Peter and Dave actually fared worse, and Justin inched up to tie Dave.

WORTH NOTING...

BOB SCORED THE SEASON'S HIGH OVERALL WITH 82% ON 20TH SEPTEMBER.

PETER CLEARED THE MOST STATIONS IN ONE ROUND THIS SEASON, SHOOTING 4 PERFECTLY ON 27TH SEPTEMBER.

JUSTIN SAW THE MOST IMPROVEMENT YEAR-OVER-YEAR, HAVING INCREASED FROM 48% IN 2016 TO 54% IN 2017.

WE HAD FOUR NON-MEMBERS JOIN US ON THE FIELD THIS YEAR: DEAN, JAMES, ROBERT (NO SCORE), AND JESS.

WEEKLY SHOOTS...

2nd May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	8	6	6	6	50
Bob	5	2	3	4	5	2	2	4	27
Justin	3	2	[6]	2	5	3	0	0	21
Peter	1	3	5	2	[6]	1	3	3	24

High overall Bob, with 54% of targets hit. Justin and Peter had one perfect station each.

17th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	6	50
Dave	4	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	29
Jay	5	[6]	2	3	3	3	4	2	28
Peter	3	5	2	1	2	3	3	2	21

High overall Dave, with 48% of targets hit. Jason had one perfect station.

24th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	4	2	3	4	4	2	0	5	24
Jay	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	4	31
Peter	4	4	[6]	[6]	3	3	3	4	33

High overall Peter, with 66% of targets hit. Peter cleared two perfect stations.

31st May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
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Dave	1	4	4	2	2	2	1	7	23
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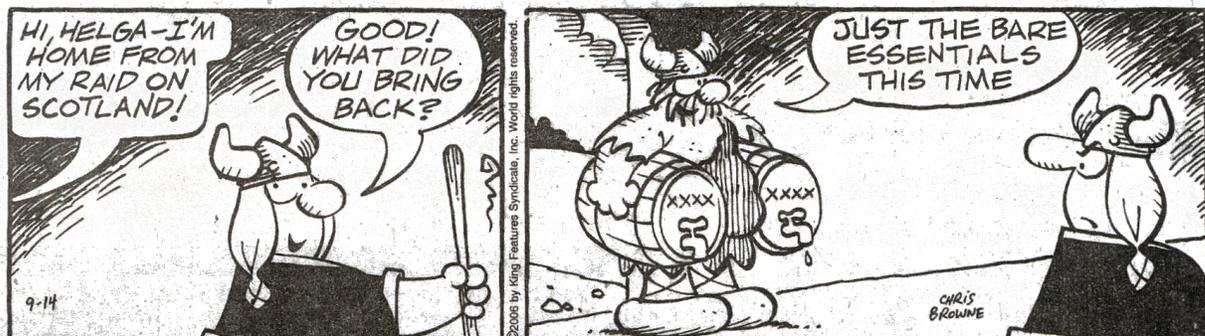
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Jay	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	4	31
Peter	4	4	[6]	[6]	3	3	3	4	33

High overall Peter, with 66% of targets hit. Peter cleared two perfect stations.

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Peter	4	4	2	1	3	4	5	3	26
Dean	2	5	4	[6]	5	5	3	3	33

Dean joined the regular members for this shoot, and scored the high overall with 66% of targets hit. Justin was a close second, hitting 62% Justin and Dean had one perfect station each.

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High overall Dave, with 70% of targets hit. Dave also cleared the most perfect stations, hitting all birds on two stations. Bob, Jay, and Peter each cleared one perfect station.

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Dave	[6]	3	5	3	0	5	4	5	0	31
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Peter	2	4	2	5	5	5	2	3	5	33

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30th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
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Jay	4	3	2	4	3	2	[4]	2	4	28
Peter	5	5	[4]	4	2	4	3	3	4	34
Jess	0	3	[4]	1	3	0	1	1	2	15

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			1	2	3	4
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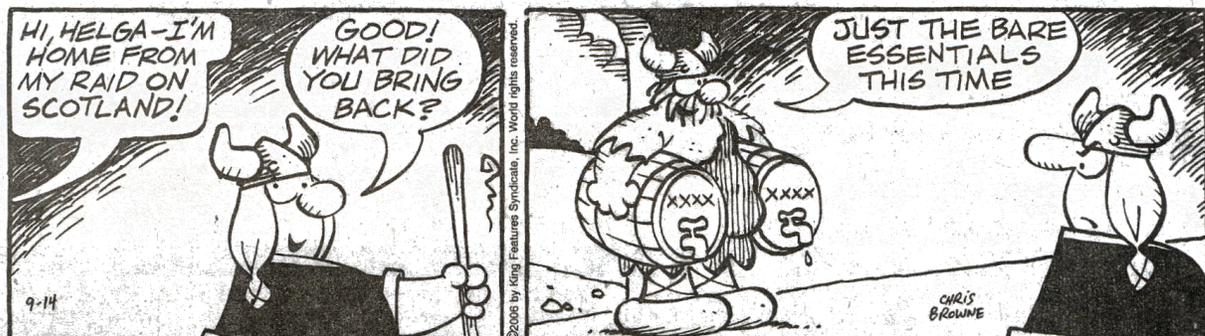
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24th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	4	2	3	4	4	2	0	5	24
Jay	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	4	31
Peter	4	4	[6]	[6]	3	3	3	4	33

High overall Peter, with 66% of targets hit. Peter cleared two perfect stations.

31st May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	1	4	4	2	2	2	1	7	23
Jay	5	3	1	4	3	5	5	3	29
Justin	3	[6]	3	5	5	3	3	3	31
Peter	4	4	2	1	3	4	5	3	26
Dean	2	5	4	[6]	5	5	3	3	33

Dean joined the regular members for this shoot, and scored the high overall with 66% of targets hit. Justin was a close second, hitting 62% Justin and Dean had one perfect station each.

14th June	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Bob	[6]	3	3	4	5	2	5	4	32
Dave	5	2	1	[6]	[6]	4	4	7	35
Jay	4	[6]	0	3	4	2	3	6	28
Justin	5	5	3	3	5	2	3	3	29
Peter	4	3	3	[6]	3	3	1	5	28

High overall Dave, with 70% of targets hit. Dave also cleared the most perfect stations, hitting all birds on two stations. Bob, Jay, and Peter each cleared one perfect station.

5th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	50
Bob	5	5	4	2	5	5	4	[6]	2	38
Dave	[6]	3	5	3	0	5	4	5	0	31
Justin	5	3	3	3	3	5	3	[6]	1	32

High overall Bob, with 76% of targets hit. Each shooter cleared one perfect station.

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12th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	10	52
Jay	5	3	3	4	[6]	4	2	4	31
Justin	4	3	1	3	3	1	5	4	24
Peter	4	4	3	4	2	4	4	7	32

High overall Peter, with 64% of targets hit. Only Jason cleared a perfect station.

19th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	54
Bob	1	5	4	[6]	5	4	5	5	5	40
Peter	2	4	2	5	5	5	2	3	5	33

High overall Bob, with 80% of targets hit. Bob cleared just one perfect station.

26th July	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	50
Bob	1	5	3	5	[6]	[6]	3	4	[2]	35
Jay	4	4	3	5	4	2	2	3	[2]	29
Justin	3	1	2	3	5	3	4	3	1	25
Peter	2	[6]	5	5	3	[6]	2	3	1	33

Bob scored the high overall with 70% of targets hit. Bob cleared three perfect stations, followed by Peter who cleared two and Jason who cleared one perfect station.

9th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	50
Bob	2	4	4	5	5	3	[6]	2	[4]	35
Dave	3	[6]	3	[6]	[6]	1	2	1	1	29
Jay	4	2	3	[6]	3	5	5	2	1	31
Peter	3	3	1	4	[6]	3	4	1	2	27

High overall Bob, with 70% of targets hit. Dave cleared the most perfect stations with three. Bob was second, clearing two, and Jay and Peter had one perfect station each.

16th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	50
Bob	2	3	2	3	5	5	5	2	3	30
Dave	4	[6]	1	1	3	3	5	0	1	24
Jay	3	2	2	3	5	2	4	1	1	23

High overall Bob, with 60% of targets hit. Dave was the only shooter to clear a perfect station.

30th Aug	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	4	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	50
Bob	2	4	5	1	4	5	5	3	[6]	35
Dave	2	2	3	3	4	4	3	4	2	27
Peter	2	1	1	2	4	2	1	[6]	1	20

Bob scored the high overall with 70% of targets hit. Bob and Peter cleared one perfect station each.

20th Sept	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	4	6	6	6	4	6	6	50
Bob	3	[6]	3	5	5	5	[4]	5	5	41
Dave	3	4	3	0	2	4	3	4	1	24
Jay	4	3	2	4	3	2	[4]	2	4	28
Peter	5	5	[4]	4	2	4	3	3	4	34
Jess	0	3	[4]	1	3	0	1	1	2	15

The regular shooters were joined by Jess for this shoot. Bob scored the high overall, and achieved the season's high overall, hitting 82% of targets shot. Bob cleared two perfect stations, with Jay, Peter and Jess clearing one each.

27th Sept	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	4	6	6	6	4	6	6	50
Bob	4	5	2	2	3	4	[4]	5	3	32
Dave	4	3	2	3	3	5	[4]	1	3	28
Peter	[6]	4	[4]	1	1	[6]	[4]	3	4	33

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER: THE "ISLAY EDITION"

Well, my birthday trip is almost upon us, and I'm sure that you all—as I—cannot wait for it to begin. I'm sure it will all be over too quickly, but let's not dwell on such things!

A year ago we were just bottling our first "club blend" and day-dreaming about going abroad together. Now the time is here to set sail, as it were. There's so much to see and experience that we simply will not be able to do, but I hope we've prepared to at least capture all the highlights, of the least of which are the shooting, scotching, and solidarity of our good fellowship. Of course there will be hustle and bustle to fit everything in, but I'm also looking

forward to just sitting with a glass in hand and watching the sunset over Ireland from our cozy perch at Cal-lumkill.

I was hoping that the Champion's Trophy would be moving to a new location this year as it's taking up too much space on my bookshelf, but alas, I think it will be here another year given the scores reported in this issue's Sporting Results pages. I would like to see mention provided to the other "worthy mentions" (Peter and Justin) who also attained praiseworthy status!

This year we had a few new faces join us for our several festivities. Robert Small and Tony

Fanale came to our Derby Party, and Robert, Jess, James and Dean visited us on one shoot each. Likewise, our ladies enjoyed an evening of their own, christening themselves as the "Shooting Wives Club."

As we enter into the last quarter of the year and begin preparations for the holidays, let us not forget those who, having been struck by several bad turns of the weather, cannot enjoy their time afield with close friends or at home with their families. I'm certain it's all part of some larger plan, though how so is simply beyond me...

Sláinte agus
Iosgadh math!
(good health and good shooting)



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FROM THE EDITOR [TIPLING@SCOTCHESTER.ORG]

Welcome to the second edition of the Scotches-ter Sportsmen's news-*letter, The Hunting Horn*. Given all the buzz about the upcom-*ing trip*, and since (unanimously) none of our membership con-

tributed to this edition, we've taken to brand-*ing this one "the Islay Edition"*. The articles in this quarter's letter all focus on Islay — most of them were simply lifted right off the websites of the

places about which they speak! The hope of course, is that they tickle your fancy and get you thinking about the trip.

This issue also includes a roundup of the 2017 season's sporting clays

results. We hope the reader will be happy with the layout and that this is something everyone will want to see again next year.

"Good Health,
Strong Drink, and
Happy Hunting!"

TOWN & COUNTRY

What started as a wet Winter turned pretty quickly into a wet Spring, leaving Rochester's lake-front in a shambles. Record high water levels washed away most of the earth all along the Lake Ontario shore.

But the Spring passed, and with it went the wet. Rochester then entered into one of the longest dry spells in its history — 20 straight days with no measurable rain! The area entered into a lovely Indian Summer in September, which generally would

see highs in the low 70's, topping out near 90 several days.

The good news is that the Niagara Celtic Festival in Olcott was one of the nicest weekends on record!

Around the country all the talk seems to focus on President Trump's "tweets" and the fact that the President's staff roster



We're not sandbagging anyone about the flooding — it's bad!

has seen more turnover than a McDonald's Restaurant. But don't worry, we'll still build that wall (even if we have to pay for it ourselves!).

HOME & ABROAD

In the last issue of this column, we discussed the goings-on in the Middle East and the dropping of the MOAB. Since then, it's been "All's quiet on the Eastern front." Except of course, there's the North Korea thing...

Let's turn our attention this month to something about the place we're going: Islay.

The Scottish Isle of Islay is part of the southern Hebrides and is

inhabited by 3,228 people (census 2011). The Isle of Islay is also called Queen of the Hebrides. With 8 working whisky distilleries, the stunning scenery, amazing wildlife and all the friendly people, Islay is a five star holiday destination.

The Isle of Islay is the southernmost island of the Inner Southern Hebrides of Scotland and lies in Argyll and Bute. The Isle of Jura, the Kintyre pen-

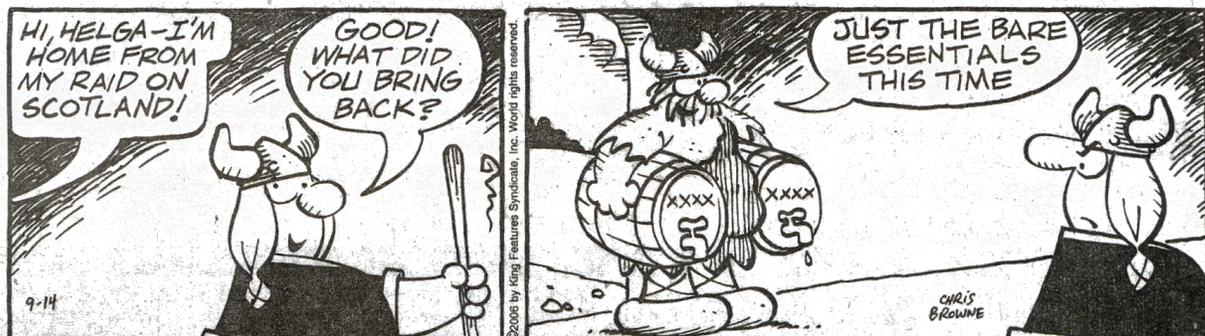
insula and Northern Ireland are Islay's neighbors. By the way, the proper pronunciation for Islay is Eye-la.

There are several remarkable hand craft businesses on Islay. The Persabus Pottery, Islay Woollen Mill and Islay Quilters should be on every visitor's itinerary. Some of these handcraft businesses can be found in Islay House Square, Islay Ales is one of them, and is Islay's only Brewery.

SOMETHING TO GROUSE ABOUT

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

CHRIS BROWNE



CASK, FLASK, AND GLASS

As Islay is “the Whisky Island”, it seems fitting that this edition’s drinks column should focus on beer! But since this is the Islay Edition of *The Hunting Horn*, the subject of this column will be on Islay Ales—Bridgend’s own craft brewery.

Islay Ales is the only brewery on the beautiful Isle of Islay, off the West Coast of Scotland. They produce hand crafted, high quality cask and bottle conditioned beers (also known as real ale) to be enjoyed at pubs across the island: Port Charlotte Hotel, Lochindaal Hotel, Islay House Hotel, Bridgend Hotel, Lochside

Hotel, Peatzeria, Islay Hotel, Ardview Inn, An Tigh Seinsse , Port Askaig Hotel, Ardbeg Distillery, Kilchoman Distillery, several of the whisky shops on Islay or, should the mood take you, you can bring their beer home.

Islay Ales produce a range of cask and bottle conditioned beers, which are neither filtered nor pasteurized and so continue to ferment and mature in both the cask and the bottle! They brew ten beers on a regular basis. Look out for the special limited edition beers which Paul and Steve produce from time to



Real Ale on tap!

time. These have included beers for the Islay Festival of Music and Malt in conjunction with Douglas Laing, Bruichladdich, Bowmore and Laphroaig Distilleries.

Sláinte!

THE GENTLEMAN’S VALET

The Islay Woollen Mill is situated just off the main Port Askaig road near Bridgend. The Mill is owned and run by Gordon and Sheila Covell and produces an excellent range of top quality woven fabrics, much in demand by the Hollywood film industry.

The Mill is a traditional family-run business and uses two

looms dating from Victorian times. Some of the machinery is unique and historical and much of it is still in use.

The Mill shop is open from Monday to Saturday and features a wide selection of both Woollen Mill products and quality souvenirs of Islay. Opening times are Monday to Friday 9am



to 5pm, Saturday 10am to 5pm.

Should you visit Islay, stopping at the Islay Woollen Mill is as necessary as touring a distillery.

THE SPORTING LIFE

What will it be like hunting on Islay, you wonder? Callumkill Estate’s website provides a little insight.

Donald MacNeill, Callumkill’s game keeper, was born and bred on Islay and has worked on Callumkill since 1993. He knows every inch of the ground and will guide you to the best locations for your day of sport as well as fill you in on the terrain,

history and wildlife.

On a day out you see changing views and terrains over every ridge rising from the sea to the top of Bheinn Solumh, the third highest peak on Islay. You walk through original oak woodland, over rocky outcrops, and past peaty burns, lochs and fells.

The first position for the shoot, once the beaters and dogs are in place, is usually over the south-

west of the estate by the river that supplies Lagavulin, with views over the Oa, the sea and Ireland beyond. Later, you’ll pass ancient monuments including a chambered cairn, the ruins of Solumh plague village, St Michael’s well. You’ll pass the loch, Uigeadail and the hill, Airgh na Bheiste that give Ardbeg the name of two of its whiskies.

2017 SHOOT RESULTS

SUMMARY RESULTS...

Shooter	Overall %	Overall Ranking	Total Clays Shot	Total Clays Hit	Avg Hit / Round Shot	Ranking	Adjusted %	Adjusted Ranking
Bob	68.5%	1	504	345	34.5%	1	68.6%	1
Jason	57.1%	2	452	258	28.7%	2	58.0%	2
Peter	56.8%	3	606	344	28.7%	2	57.3%	3
Dave	54.8%	4	500	274	27.4%	4	54.0%	4
Justin	53.6%	5	302	162	27.0%	5	54.0%	4

Rankings were very consistent. Jason and Peter scored the same average percentage, though the total number of clays each shot was quite different. Adjusted score reflects how a shooter performed without including the highest and lowest rounds. In this scenario, Peter and Dave actually fared worse, and Justin inched up to tie Dave.

WORTH NOTING...

BOB SCORED THE SEASON'S HIGH OVERALL WITH 82% ON 20TH SEPTEMBER.

PETER CLEARED THE MOST STATIONS IN ONE ROUND THIS SEASON, SHOOTING 4 PERFECTLY ON 27TH SEPTEMBER.

JUSTIN SAW THE MOST IMPROVEMENT YEAR-OVER-YEAR, HAVING INCREASED FROM 48% IN 2016 TO 54% IN 2017.

WE HAD FOUR NON-MEMBERS JOIN US ON THE FIELD THIS YEAR: DEAN, JAMES, ROBERT (NO SCORE), AND JESS.

WEEKLY SHOOT...

2nd May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	8	6	6	6	50
Bob	5	2	3	4	5	2	2	4	27
Justin	3	2	[6]	2	5	3	0	0	21
Peter	1	3	5	2	[6]	1	3	3	24

High overall Bob, with 54% of targets hit. Justin and Peter had one perfect station each.

17th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	6	50
Dave	4	3	3	3	5	3	4	4	29
Jay	5	[6]	2	3	3	3	4	2	28
Peter	3	5	2	1	2	3	3	2	21

High overall Dave, with 48% of targets hit. Jason had one perfect station.

24th May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	4	2	3	4	4	2	0	5	24
Jay	5	3	4	4	3	3	5	4	31
Peter	4	4	[6]	[6]	3	3	3	4	33

High overall Peter, with 66% of targets hit. Peter cleared two perfect stations.

31st May	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Clays Shot	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	50
Dave	1	4	4	2	2	2	1	7	23
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Dean joined the regular members for this shoot, and scored the high overall with 66% of targets hit. Justin was a close second, hitting 62% Justin and Dean had one perfect station each.

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