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| **Name of activity, event, and location** | **Air Rifle**  **Mersey Moot 2025** | **Date of risk assessment** | **8th August 2025** |
| **Date of next review** | **25th September 2025** |

Air Rifle

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| Hazards | | Associated Risk | | Who is at risk | What is the risk rating? | Existing control Measure | Responsibility |
| Misuse of air rifle | | Personal injury | | All participating in activity | Low | * Instruction given and understood by participants before the activity takes place. * Activity supervised all times by qualified (NSRA) experienced instructor to ensure that the rules are complied with. | Activity Leader |
| Impact from pellets | | Personal injury | | All participating in activity | Low | * Pellets catchers to be checked | Activity Leader |
| Crushed / pinched finger | | Personal injury | | All participating in activity | Medium | * Participants instructed correct way to cock, load and close the rifle, while keeping fingers aware the breach mechanism. Cub scout to be supervised on 2 to 1. | Activity Leader |
| Hazards arising from the actions of the group | | Personal Injury | | All participating in activity | Low | * Leader to supervise. * If overcrowding of the area occurs ask participants to leave the area. * If the behaviour of the group becomes disorder ask participants to leave the area. | Activity Leader |
| Horseplay | | Personal Injury | | All participating in activity | Low | * Activity supervised at all times and leaders instructed that they are to ensure that their group complies and with operating rules and follows instructions given concerning waiting area, shooting line * Participants to control their actions. | Activity Leader |
| Unauthorised use | | Personal Injury | | All participating in activity | Low | * activity supervised at all times while at the activity range * Cubs with a red wristband can ONLY shoot. * When not in use equipment to be removed to secure activity storage place. * Guns stored in locked portable armoury box * Pellets kept separately in secure armoury box | Activity Leader |
| Standard of shooter | | Personal Injury | | All participating in activity | Medium | * Unavoidable | Instructor to teach |
| Equipment failure | | Personal Injury | |  | Low | * Equipment checked before use, problems reported * Faulty equipment removed from service until repaired by a trained personal. | Activity Leader |
| Being shot | | Personal Injury | |  | Low | * Ensure that rifles are always pointing down the range and never at a person | Activity Leader |
| Lead Poisoning | | Personal Injury | |  | High | * Ensure group know to wash hands following am sessions. * Anti-Bacterial hand gel to be provide to each cub, following them shooting. | Activity Leader |
| Slips and Tips | | Personal Injury | |  | Low | * Rifle Range checked before use by instructor * Participants told not to run when moving to or form firing line. | Activity Leader |
| Minor injures | | Personal Injury | |  | Low | * Frist aider available on site it required | Activity Leader |
| Other user staying in area or behind Firing area | | Personal Injury | |  | Low | * Fence kept in good order * Instructor to remain vigilant * Air horn for emergency stop, all ranges to stop. All ranges to be informed it is safe to continue. | Activity Leader |
| Bounce Back | Personal Injury | | All participating in activity | | Medium | * Demonstrate correct technique, be vigilant. * Make sure group remain in waiting area. | Activity Leader |
| Other user staying in area or behind throwing area | Personal Injury | | All participating in activity | | Medium | * Fence kept in good order * Instructor to remain vigilant * Air horn for emergency stop, all ranges to stop. All ranges to be informed it is safe to continue. | Activity Leader |