

Shoot bags £2,500 for charity



TOP GUNS: Members of the Lowsley-Lindsays team celebrate after coming joint first in the Kennet Shoot charity day (15784/2/MP)

FORTY local shooting enthusiasts raised more than £2,500 for victims of the tsunami at the Kennet Shoot charity day.

The clay pigeon shooting team competition was hosted in glorious spring sunshine on April 2 by James and Maggie Cameron, who have been running the simulated game shoot at East Kennett Manor Farm, near Marlborough, for the past five years.

Lunchtime refreshment for the thirsty guns was kindly donated

by Charles Bartholemew, chairman of Devizes-based brewers Wadworth.

The participants were able to test their marksmanship firing at clays from the Kennet Shoot's recently completed grouse butts – an unusual sight in Wiltshire.

The shooting centre uses artificial targets designed to give the guns a similar challenge to shooting in the wild.

There was a tie for first place between the Famous Fishermen

team, captained by William Daniel, from Teffont Evias, near Salisbury, and the Lowsley-Lindsays, captained by Ben Lowsley-Williams, from Ham, near Marlborough.

The money raised will help with the rebuilding of a hospital in Sri Lanka.

The Kennet Shoot specialises in organising simulated game shooting days for corporate and private parties throughout the year.