

SHOOTING SPORTS

Premium: Purple \$3.75; Blue \$3.25; Red \$2.50; White \$1.25

IMPORTANT: Pre-registration is required for practices and competitions; shooting times will be assigned. Pay close attention to email & Hall County 4-H Facebook page as the dates get closer. Awards will be presented Saturday, July 23, 2:00 pm at the Pinnacle Bank Expo Building Stage at the Hall County Fair.

GENERAL Information: Must be enrolled in Shooting Sports.

- Safety glasses (BB gun, shotgun and rifle) and ear plugs (for shotgun and rifle) are required.
- Each 4-H member is responsible for furnishing their own gun, ammunition, ear & eye protection at the contest.
- All guns must be clearly labeled with 4-H'ers name.
- All guns will be checked in at entry.
- Guns must be unloaded at time of entry. Anyone who brings a loaded gun **will not be allowed to shoot.**
- Participants will be broken into classes according to age.
- Enrollment and parental release must be completed in 4-H Online before the events.
- To compete in the rifle or shotgun contest a 4-H member must be 4-H age 11 and must have completed the Hunter Safety course. You must bring your Hunter Safety card to the contest.
- Contest ribbons/medals/trophies will be awarded based on overall scores in the contest.
- 4-H shirts are strongly encouraged at practices and competitions.

ARCHERY

Superintendents: Matt Carmin & Jason Allan

Practice: May 9 at 6:30 pm (New shooters come at 6 pm), May 23 at 6:30 pm, June 6 at 6:30 pm, June 20 at 6:30 pm.

*Dates & times subject to change

Location: Third City Archers Outdoor Range

Contest: June 25, 2 pm, Third City Archers Outdoor Range

* County Fair competition will consist of:

- 4 ends (5 arrows each) on a 900 round target from: Junior 10 yards, Intermediate 10 and 20 yards, Senior 20 and 30 yards
- 4 3-D targets (2 arrows each), maximum yardages are: Junior 10 yards, Intermediate 20 yards, Senior 30 yards
- 4 ends of a field round (4 arrows each), maximum yardages are: Junior 10 yards, Intermediate 20 yards, Senior 30 yards

* Scoring:

- 900 round: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 scored from the center out
- 3-D targets: 10, 8, 5
- Field round: X, 5, 4, 3 scored from the center out
- Any line must be touched for the next higher score

* Minimal charge for targets (including the competition).

* Champion and reserve ribbons will be awarded in each style and level (Junior, Intermediate, Senior). Trophies will be awarded to overall winner in each style.

* 4-H Age divisions: Junior - 8-11; Intermediate - 12-14; Senior - 15 and older

ARCHERY STYLES:

FREESTYLE: Any sight, scope, stabilizer, rest or release aid may be used provided it is hand-operated and supports the weight of the bow.

BOW HUNTER FREESTYLE:

- Same as Freestyle except stabilizer cannot exceed 12 inches from the face of the bow.
- Pin sights only, no magnification.
- Sights may not be adjusted after the first scoring arrow is shot.

FREESTYLE LIMITED:

- Any sight, scope, stabilizer, rest. Release aids are limited to gloves, tabs or fingers. No mechanical releases allowed.

BASIC BOW:

- Use bows, arrows, strings and accessories free of any sights, marks or blemishes.
- No written memoranda shall be used.
- An adjustable arrow rest may be used to control space between the arrow and the face of the sight window.
- The use of stabilizers is permitted.
- No mechanical device will be permitted other than one non-adjustable draw check and level mounted on bow. Neither may extend above the arrow.
- Release aids are limited to fingers, tabs or gloves.
- Ends or edges of laminated pieces appearing on the inside of upper limbs shall be considered a sighting mechanism and are illegal.
- A cable guard shall be allowed if it is not in the sight window.
- Arrow rests extending 1/4 inch above arrows are illegal.

BB GUN

Superintendents: Becky Carmin & Jason Allan

***Mandatory Safety Meeting:** May 21 at 8 am

Practice: May 21 at 9 am, June 11 at 9 am, June 24 at 6:30 pm.

**Dates & times subject to change

Location: Third City Archers Indoor Range

Contest: June 25, 9 am, Third City Archers Indoor Range

- *4-H member is required to attend the **safety meeting** unless they have previously attended two safety meetings or attended one safety meeting and completed a Hunter's Education course.
- 4-H'er must use a shoulder held BB gun with metallic sights (no scopes) operated by spring, gas, or compressed air.
- .177 (Standard over-the-shelf variety) BB's should be used.
- Smooth bore and rifled barrels are allowed. (If gun is capable of shooting pellets/BB's it is probably not a smooth bore barrel.) Rifled barrels are not allowed at the State competition.
- Slings, 1 1/4" or less in width, with a single attaching point to the forearm of the gun, are permitted for all positions except standing. Ground cloths are also permitted.
- The match will be shot using the standard four positions: prone, sitting, kneeling and standing. All positions will be a distance of 5 meters (16 feet, 4 3/4") from the target. There will be 10 shots fired from each position, with 10 minutes for each of the four stages. Coaches will be allowed at the firing line. The BB gun will be loaded with only one BB at a time, and only at the firing line. There will possibly be a written exam at the shoot (more information will be given out at practice).
- 4-H Age divisions: Junior - 8-9; Intermediate - 10-11; Senior - 12 and older

RIFLE

Superintendents: Dale de la Motte & Jason Allan

Practices: June 7, 8 & 15, 6-8 pm, GI Rifle Club

*Dates & times subject to change

Contest: June 18, 4 pm (*NEW time*), GI Rifle Club

- Hunter's Safety card **required**
- Rifles can be any iron sighted 22 rimfire (no magnums)
- 4-H'er must supply their own gun and ammunition
- Targets will be metal silhouettes
- Course of fire: 40 rounds; 10 shots at each of the following distances: 25 yds, 60m, 77m, 100m
- Ties broken by the greatest number of hits on long range targets
- No cost for targets or use of the range

SHOTGUN

Superintendent: Dale de la Motte

Practices: June 10 & 16, 6-8 pm, Doniphan Trap Range

*Dates & times subject to change

Contest: June 18, 9 am (*NEW time*), Doniphan Trap Range

- ♦ Hunter's Safety card **required**
- ♦ 4-H'er must supply their own gun and ammunition
- ♦ Will shoot 2 rounds of 25 clays
- ♦ Minimal charge for targets
- ♦ Tie- winner determined by the longest run from the front

SHOOTING SPORTS STATIC EXHIBITS

Superintendents: Greg Lamphiear, Karen Nagel

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General Information:

- Pre-entries due June 22 to the Extension Office.
- Enter exhibits Wednesday, July 20, 4-6:30 pm at the Pinnacle Bank Expo Building.
- NO firearms may be entered as an exhibit, nor live ammunition; however, information can be shared through pictures.

Shooting Sports, Division 347 Classes

4-H Shooting Sports requires youth to be under the direct leadership of a certified 4-H Shooting Sports Leader in either shotgun, rifle (bb gun), archery, pistol, blackpowder/muzzleloader, and/or hunting skills. No firearms can be entered as an exhibit, nor live ammunition; however, information can be shared through pictures.

*D347-001 - **Shooting Aid or Accessory** – Any item which helps the shooter/hunter better perform their sport. Examples: rifle sling, kneeling roll, arm guard, shotgun vest, target boxes, shooting stick, etc. Include your design, or plans you adapted, what the item is and used for.

*D347-002 - **Storage Case** – Any item with the purpose to safely hold a firearm, bow, ammunition, and/or arrows. Examples: soft sided shotgun case, quivers, firearm safe. Include your design or plans you adapted. Explain how the storage case is used.

*D347-003 - **Practice Game or Activity** – Invent or adapt an activity to practice or teach a project skill. Include pictures of youth playing the game, testimonials of 4-H members who played the game, what skill is being worked on, and directions for the game. Explain how you came up with the game or adapted it to fit the needs of your group members.

*D347-004 - **Science, Engineering, Technology**

Advancements of Shooting Sports, Conservation, or Wildlife Essay or Display – Choose a specific area of shooting sports and share how it has advanced. Include a timeline and photos or illustrations. Keep your topic narrow and manageable. Essays are limited to 1,000 words and should be on 8 ½ x 11 paper.

*D347-005 - **Healthy Lifestyles Plan** – Include a shooter's (hiker's, camper's, angler's) diet and exercise plan, and how the 4-H member will benefit or improve from following the plan. Ideally, the 4-H member would follow the plan and include some journal entries about adaptations or improvements made while following the plan.

*D347-006 - **Citizenship/Leadership Project** – Share a display on a citizenship project or leadership project the 4-H member took on individually or with a group to improve some aspect related to 4-H Shooting Sports, Conservation, or Wildlife. Examples could be range development, conservation planting to attract wildlife, a camp, or 4-H recruitment event. Include who benefitted from the project, what the 4-H member's role was, and any results.

*D347-007 - **Career Development/College Essay, Interview or Display** – Research opportunities for careers related to this area or opportunities for college majors or college activities to help discover using project skills beyond a person's 4-H career. Essays are limited to 1,000 words and should be on 8 ½ x 11 paper. Interviews need to include a picture of the interviewee in their work setting, questions asked, and a transcript of answers.

*D347-008 - **Community Vitality Display** – Explore the difference shooting sports, conservation, fishing, and hunting make in keeping Nebraska vibrant especially in rural areas. Present facts and research in an interesting way for the public to learn from.

*D347-009 - **Ag Literacy-Value Added Agriculture Interview or Research Project** – Explore how traditional ag producers are adding value to their production agriculture operations through conservation efforts, hunting, raising pheasants, shooting sports related tourism, etc. Present findings in an interesting way for the public to learn from.

**an asterisk * in front of a
division/class number indicates the
class is State Fair eligible**