

Shooting Sports General Information

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Welcome and describe the meeting agenda

- 30 min overview by each discipline
- 30 min open discussion – discipline and location stations

Shooting Sports Mission

Need to shoot with a certified instructor

Disciplines

- BB Gun Safety
- Air Rifle – Sporter and Precision
- Small Bore Rifle
- Air Pistol
- Shotgun
- Archery
- Small Bore Pistol – Not offered in Yellowstone County this year
- Western Heritage – Not offered in Yellowstone County this year
- Hunting and Wildlife– Not offered in Yellowstone County this year

NRA Foundation

- The NRA is a large supporter of shooting sports programs and most of the equipment we have was purchased through the NRA Foundation Grant.

County Equipment

- Each discipline has a stock of county equipment which can be checked out for use, each discipline will discuss this more.

Cost

- Each discipline has a fee which covers the use of the facility, ammunition, and targets. The specific amount will vary depending on location and discipline

BB Gun

Kevin Adkins

Age Requirements

- Open to kids age 8-16, by October 1st

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

- 15 shooters

Project Requirements

- Workbook
 - Goals, Safety, Equipment, Positions, Scoring, Self and Coach Evaluation
- Parent Involvement
 - At practice each shooter will need a coach on the line; their responsibilities are
 - Emphasize safety
 - Get shooter into positions
 - Load and caulk gun
 - Help manage time

Locations

- Billings – 4H Building

Equipment

- Typical Equipment
 - Safety Glasses, BB Gun, Sling, Shooting Pad, Kneeling Roll, Target, Binoculars, Ammunition
- Availability of County Equipment
 - There are 7 rifles available
- Cost
 - \$95.00 Rifle
 - Facility/material fee \$25 per shooter or \$35 per family once annually

Positions

- 4 positions: Prone, Standing, Kneeling, and Sitting

Schedule

- Once a week from November to April. Several weeks off for holidays.

Typical Competitions

- Yellowstone Tri-County Competition
- State Competition in April – Glendive
 - Team Event
 - Written Test

Sporter Air Rifle

Allen Cantu

Age Requirements

- 9 by October 1st

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

- 50 shooters

Project Requirements

- Workbook
 - Goals, Safety, Equipment, Positions, Scoring, Self and Coach Evaluation
- Parent Involvement
 - Minimal parent involvement. Get the kids to practice and competitions.

Locations

- Warden - VFW
- Billings – 4H Building
- Laurel -?

Equipment

- Typical Equipment
 - Safety Glasses, Air Rifle, Sling, Shooting Pad, Kneeling Roll, Target, Binoculars, Ammunition
- Availability of County Equipment
 - Yes the county has quite a few air rifles available for checkout.
- Cost
 - \$350.00 Rifle
 - Facility/material fee \$25 per shooter or \$35 per family once annually

Positions

- 3 positions: Prone, Standing, and Kneeling

Schedule

- Once a week from November to March. Several weeks off for holidays.

Typical Competitions

- Postal – mail in scores – best 8 of 10, over in February
- Yellowstone Tri-County Competition – February
- State Competition in March – Bozeman

Precision Air Rifle and Small Bore Rifle

Lisa McFarland

Age Requirements

- 10 by October 1st (participants must have a minimum of one year in air rifle to enroll and must have a recommendation from air rifle 4H certified leader)

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

- 1

Project Requirements

- Workbook
- Parent Involvement
 - Help with setup and cleanup
 - Possibly help with scoring after being trained

Locations

- Yellowstone Rifle Club (very limited space available)

Equipment

- Typical Equipment
 - .22single shot rifle with: handstop rail, peep/aperture sights, sling, shooting coat, shooting pants, mat, kneeling roll, spotting scope, off-hand stand, hearing and eye protection
- Availability of County Equipment
 - None
- Cost
 - \$7.00 Junior Membership to YRC, \$1.00 range fee per day, \$3.00+ per day for ammunition
 - Rifles range from \$600 - \$3000+, Shooting coats \$100+, Shooting pants \$120+, Slings \$30+

Positions

- NRA Marksmanship rules
- Prone, Sitting, Kneeling, and Off-Hand (standing)

Schedule

- Sunday afternoons November-March, time to be determined. There is very limited space as they will be shooting along with the Junior Program at the YRC (competitive shooting club). Availability will be determined after the YRC Junior program fill their time slots. IE, priority will be given to kids that belong to the YRC Club first. YRC Juniors are allowing 4H to join them if spots are available, second priority will go to Ruff Riders members. If additional space is available other Yellowstone County 4Hers will be allowed.

Typical Competitions

- State 4H Match in March, Many other matches throughout the state, December – March
- National Matches February – June.

Air Pistol

Kevin Adkins

Age Requirements

- 9 by October 1st

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

Project Requirements

- Workbook
- Parent Involvement

Locations

Equipment

- Typical Equipment
- Availability of County Equipment
- Cost

Positions

- Sitting with and without a rest

Schedule

Typical Competitions

Western Heritage

Jamie Krug

Age Requirements

- 9 by October 1st

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

- 0

Project Requirements

- Workbook

Locations

- Billings Rod and Gun Club with the Montana peacemaker cowboy action club.

Equipment

- Typical Equipment
 - Cowboy action
- Availability of County Equipment
 - Yes
- Cost
 - Unknown

Positions

- Sitting with and without a rest

Schedule

- Undecided

Typical Competitions

Shotgun

Barry Bender

Age Requirements

- 9 by October 1st - (participates and must have a recommendation from a 4H certified shotgun leader)

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

- 31 shooters

Project Requirements

- Workbook
- Parent Involvement
 - Minimal involvement, but no dropping off kids.
 - Some help with scoring and pulling

Locations

- Billings Rod and Gun Club
- Billings Trap Club

- Typical Equipment
 - 20 or 12 gage shotgun, range bag, vest or pouch, safety glasses, hearing protection,
- Availability of County Equipment
 - None
- Cost
 - Gun range from \$300 to \$3000
 - \$5 per shoot to cover cost of targets
 - Ammunition payed by program

Games

- Skeet
- Trap
- Sporting Clays

Schedule

- February or March – Safety meeting
- March through July – Shooting

Typical Competitions

- Tri-County Shoot – February
- Big Sky State Games – July

Archery

Tony Neil

Age Requirements – age 9 by Oct 1st of the current 4H year through 18

2016-2017 Participant Numbers

- 128 shooters

Project Requirements

- Shoot with a certified leader
- 3 Project Goals
- Some parent involvement to help with scoring – leaders will teach you how

Locations

- 4H Building with Frank Pitman on Sunday afternoons, starting first weekend in December to last weekend of February (up to 18 kids per time – 9 on the line at a time)
- 4H Building with Skelly Adkins and Dan Robertson on Mondays at 6pm starting first Monday in December to last Monday of February (up to 18 kids per time – 9 on the line at a time)
- Superior Archery
- Tony Neil 3D fun shoots in the summer – watch newsletter

Equipment

- Typical Equipment –
 - Recurve, Compound - with or without sights and releases
 - Arrows – at *least* 4
 - Hip Quiver optional
 - **Ribbed Arm Guard required** and not supplied by the county
- Availability of County Equipment – yes, 15 Genesis barebows with aluminum arrows with hard case
- Superior Archery has packages for 4H members if they want to buy their own equipment

Costs

- Weekly Postal shoot \$10 annual fee per archer
- If shooting at 4H Building - fee \$25 per archer or \$35 per family once annually
- Superior Archery - \$5.00 Per shoot

Positions

- Standing from the line with range commands
- Various positions with the 3D fun shoots

Typical Competitions

- Weekly Postal
- County Shoot in February
- State shoot first weekend in March
- Practicum and Qualifying Event in April and May
- National 4-H Invitational Shooting Sports Tournament in June
- Big Sky state games in July
- Fair shoot in August
- Various 4H competitions throughout the state Dec through March
(<http://montana4h.org/programs/events/shooting-sports-event.html>)