

SIGHTING IN ON YOUTH



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2006 N.D. 4-H Shooting Sports State Match Results Posted

Name	County	Age Group	Event			
			Archery		Shotgun Score	Rifle
			Event	Score		10M score
#Matt Kopp	Ramsey	Junior			53 S	
##Trent Flaten	Ramsey	Junior			46 B	
##Tanner Paine	Ramsey	Junior			61 S	
#D.J. Darling	Ramsey	Junior			78 G	
##Christopher Fixen	Ramsey	Junior			69 G	
##Karl Raymond	Ramsey	Junior			21 B	
#Beth MacDonald	Ramsey	Junior			68 G	
*Ian Whitney	Ramsey	Senior			86 G	
* Matt Pflaum	Ramsey	Senior			69 G	
*Ross Olson	Ramsey	Senior	CWSR	270 G	57 S	
*Ryan Olson	Ramsey	Senior	CWSR	251 S	65 S	
Matthew Drader	McHenry	Senior	CWOS	55 G	71 G	184 G
Elliot Rognlien	McHenry	Senior	CWOS	53 S	69 G	159 S
Casey Hennessy	Mountrail	Junior	CWSR	119 B		
Bobbi Hennessy	Mountrail	Beginner	CWOS	54 S		
Colby Hennessy	Mountrail	Beginner	CWSR	190 G		
Taylor Markel	Cass	Junior	CWSR	290 G		
Streeter Dockter	Cass	Junior	CWSR	267 S		
Nicholas Clemenson	Cass	Junior	CWS	275 G		
Heidi Rasmussen	Cass	Senior	CWSR	269 G		
Sheyenne Dockter	Cass	Beginner	CWOS	126 G		
Jennifer Doll	Burleigh	Junior	CWSR	150 S		
Travis Doll	Burleigh	Senior	CWSR	211 B	41 B	
**Nick Deering	Dickey	Senior			56 S	
**Jared Glynn	Dickey	Senior			59 S	
**Andrew Kuypers	Dickey	Senior			58 S	
**Daniel Glynn	Dickey	Senior			72 G	

Letters behind score indicate medal earned: G = Gold, S = Silver, B = Bronze
 Letters in archery column indicate archery style: CWS - Compound with sights; CWSR - Compound with sights and release; CWOS - Compound without sights; RWS - Recurve with sights; RWOS - Recurve without sights
 In rifle column, the 10 M = 10-meter pellet

Shot Gun Teams:

1st Place Senior Team
 Ramsey County, score of 220
 Team members *

2nd Place Senior Team
 Dickey County, score of 189
 Team members **

1st Place Junior Team
 Ramsey County No. 2, score of 215
 Team members: #

2nd Place Junior Team
 Ramsey County No. 1, score of 160
 Team members: ##

Second State Shoot Held

The 2nd North Dakota 4-H State Shoot was held in Bismarck. Twenty-seven youth participated in one or more of the four disciplines (archery, air rifle, muzzleloader and shotgun) during the daylong event.

I'd like to thank the Burleigh County Extension office, Capital City Gun Club and Bismarck-Mandan Rifle and Pistol Association for the use of their facilities and the North Dakota Game and Fish Department for helping offset the cost of the shotgun range.

Next to the youth, the second most impressive highlight of the event was the large numbers of volunteers. State discipline instructors ran events in their disciplines, and parents helped wherever they were needed with whatever tasks they were asked to perform. Thank you very much! We couldn't have done it without your help.

Overall, the day was a great success. The youth displayed true 4-H spirit as they offered to help one another with advice or high-five support throughout the day. All of the youth also followed and displayed safe shooting practices. These kids are all winners!

Shooting Sports Program Has Equipment to Loan

This is a reminder for county/camp/club 4-H programs that would like to offer an archery or air rifle class and need to borrow some equipment. The state 4-H Shooting Sports Program has both archery and air rifle equipment available for your program's use. Contact your local NDSU Extension agent or me for more information.

4-H Shooting Sports Program Trailer Available

Our North Dakota 4-H Shooting Sports trailer is available for your use in instruction or for fundraising events. A complete manual for the 4-H Shooting Sports trailer is available. The manual addresses scheduling, towing, setup, operation and takedown. The only two requirements are 1) you must have a Shooting Sports Program and 2) you must have a 4-H leader over age 21 supervising the trailer when in use. For more information on the trailer, go to the 4-H Shooting Sports Program Web site or contact me.

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Holding Essay Contest

Do you have any youth who are good wordsmiths? If so, they could win an all-expense-paid trip to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's annual Elk Camp on Feb. 22-25, 2007, in Reno, Nev.

All they have to do is write a 250- to 750-word essay that answers the following question: "How do the important principles of safe shooting—discipline, self-control, patience and responsibility—extend into other aspects of hunting?" For example: hunter ethics, respect for the animal and ensuring the future of hunting.

Eligibility: Youth ages 8 to 15

How to enter: Send essay to "Take Aim at Safety" Essay Contest, Bugle Hunting Editor, 5705 Grant Creek, Missoula, MT 59808. Be sure to include the youth's name, address and phone number.

Deadline: Jan. 1, 2007.

Prizes: 1st place—Round-trip airfare for the winner and one parent or legal guardian from within the continental U.S. to Reno, Nev., and three nights at the Silver Legacy Hotel. Also included is full registration to Elk Camp for the winner and one parent or legal guardian. The winner must attend Elk Camp. The winning essay will be published in an issue of Bugle magazine in 2007.

2nd to 5th place—A Daisy Red Ryder BB gun*

Sighting in on Youth is published by the North Dakota 4-H Shooting Sports program. Questions, comments, suggestions for future articles and more information can be obtained by contacting:

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4-H'er Offers Shot Shell Action Demo Idea

Looking for a demonstration idea? Jeremy Boyle, a young 4-H'er from New York state, used the following to show how a shotgun shell is constructed:

- Case - Dixie cup
- Primer - Hershey's Kiss
- Powder - Cocoa Krispies
- Wad - Vanilla Wafer
- Shot - M&M's
- Crimp - fold over top edges of Dixie cup

Use a medicine cap or condiment cup for the powder and shot measure.

Visit National 4-H Shooting Sports Web Site

Those of you with computers and Internet access may want to visit the National 4-H Shooting Sports Web site as well. The address is www.4-hshootingsports.org.

Go
Online with Us

Don't forget to check our Web site at www.ext.nodak.edu/4h/programs/shooting-main.htm for current information on the program, the newsletter and photos of workshops and other events or activities.

E-mail us subject matter-appropriate photos you would like to see on this site in jpg format.

Discuss Insurance Coverage for Accident or Illness

Questions have arisen on American Income Life Insurance accident and illness insurance for 4-H Shooting Sports programming. All instructors are encouraged to discuss coverage with their Extension agent to determine whether their county has an annual club or countywide insurance policy for 4-H youths and leaders, or if they need to use the Special Activities Policy coverage (ask about the red, white and blue brochure).

The annual policy, which is available to individual clubs or on a countywide basis, provides benefits of \$2,500 medical coverage for accidents; \$5,000 for loss of life; and \$500 for injury to sound, natural teeth. The premium for this coverage is \$1 per person for one full year of coverage (\$2 for horse clubs). This is primary coverage.

Benefits are provided for each person while participating in the club's adult-supervised group activities and traveling directly between the participant's home and the meeting or activity site. Coverage for travel is interpreted as direct, uninterrupted travel. The policy will not provide coverage if an injury occurs while a person is running an errand or visiting a friend. Groups traveling to and from an event must be accompanied by an adult leader who has been approved and recognized by the NDSU Extension Service.

If you choose to use the Special Activities Policy, coverage is available depending upon the protection plan you choose, and the premium is calculated accordingly. The premium is calculated on a calendar-day basis, and an overnight event would require two days' premium.

Benefits under both policies are provided up to the limits indicated in the policy schedule for accidents that occur during the time youths were your responsibility and while traveling directly between their home and the meeting or activity site. The policies do not provide benefits for eyeglass replacement or repair; suicide; hernia in any form; air travel; pre-existing conditions; any claims arising from the use of intoxicants or nonprescribed drugs; losses covered under Medicare or any workers' compensation plan; and injuries suffered while tobogganing, skiing, sledding or tubing.

However, under the Special Activities Policy, limited coverage is available for the winter sports of skiing, tobogganing, sledding and tubing.

If you have specific questions, consult with your NDSU Extension agent.

4-H Shooting Sports Liability Raises Concerns

I've also received questions regarding liability coverage for 4-H Shooting Sports programming. The 4-H Shooting Sports Program is an educational program supported by the NDSU Extension Service's Center for 4-H Youth Development. Shooting Sports has 4-H trained/certified volunteer instructors implementing the program in the counties. Therefore, when implementing a 4-H-sponsored activity and adhering to the safety and appropriate educational environments for conducting the program, instructors are covered under the state volunteer provision for conducting a university-sponsored event. If you have questions, please consult with your NDSU Extension agent.

No Paintball

I get asked periodically about the North Dakota Shooting Sports Program's policy on paintball and laser guns.

The purpose of the program is to promote youth development through the safe and responsible use of archery and firearms equipment. Pointing any type of firearm, including air guns, laser guns or laser sighting devices, at any person or tombstone target is inappropriate and dangerous.

Therefore, the National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee is unequivocally opposed to such use in the 4-H program. The North Dakota 4-H Shooting Sports Program has adopted this policy.

Black Powder Rifles for Sale

I have seven youth model Connecticut Valley Arms Bobcat black powder rifles for sale. CVA stopped making them about a year ago and they are hard to find. I am selling them for what I paid - \$46 per gun. Let me know if you could use one or two in your program. I'm selling them on a first-come, first-served basis.

Are You Still With the Program?

I'm trying to keep my mailing and e-mail lists up to date. So, if you no longer are active in the 4-H Shooting Sports Program, first, thank you for your past efforts, and second, let me know and I'll take you off the active list. Removing inactive instructors keeps postage and other costs down.

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N.D. 4-H Postal League Matches Set

We run three postal matches every year. Dates for the matches are Jan. 1-April 30, May 1-Aug. 31 and Sept. 1-Dec. 31. In the past year, youth from five counties participated. I would like to see more counties involved in this activity. Cost is \$3.50 per youth. Every participant receives an award. For rules and score sheets, go to our Web site or contact me.



4-H youth compete in shotgun (above) and archery (left) at the 2nd North Dakota 4-H State Shoot.

Are You Available To Help?
Some of you may not yet have a 4-H Shooting Sports Program organized in your county. We sometimes get calls from counties looking for Shooting Sports instructors to support a county club or camping program. If you are interested in volunteering to assist with another county's 4-H Shooting Sports program, let us know.