

RENO COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS 2017- 2018 PROGRAM

Reno County young people learn basic skills to enjoy a lifetime activity - Shooting Sports. If you want to learn more about a shooting program for youngsters between the ages of 8 and 18, take a look at this brochure.

ENROLLMENT

Complete the on line 4-H enrollment along with hard copy of the participation form and send to the Reno County Extension Office or drop it off along with the necessary fee. The fee schedule is graduated so that the more disciplines you sign up for the smaller the fee per discipline, with the exception of Shotgun and Hunting Skills which will be a \$5 fee each, which covers insurance and basic training. Range fees and ammunition will be at the participant's expense. Fees will be used to offset the cost of supplies and equipment. Use of any personally owned equipment must be individually approved by the instructor in charge of the discipline and may require an inspection by a gunsmith as applicable. Pre-enrollment is required for all disciplines. The Western Heritage/Cowboy Action discipline has been added this year and is for the more seasoned shooter. We will be getting more information out as we get things in place to offer this program.

BB-Gun Safety Course

This will be offered during the initial sessions. It is required for new participants and recommended as a refresher for all others.

BB GUN

Concurrent: Safety Course or Hunter Education. Ages 8 to 14. Learn basic rifle shooting skills and safety.

BB-Gun Schedule – Sessions will run January through mid April.

AIR RIFLE

Concurrent: Safety Course or Hunter Education. Ages 8 to 18. Learn basic and advanced rifle shooting skills and safety. Shooting methods for all calibers and types - from plinking to hunting to 4-H competition. Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced shooting will be covered.

Air Rifle Schedule – Sessions will run January through mid-April.

AIR PISTOL

Prerequisite: Safety Course or Hunter Education, Air Rifle, and written parental permission. Ages 10 to 18. Learn basic and advanced pistol shooting skills and safety. Participate in 4-H competition. Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced shooting will be covered. – ***Sessions will run January through mid-April.***

ARCHERY

Concurrent: Safety Course or Hunter Education. Ages 8 to 18. Learn basic of shooting a bow, then progress to target shooting, hunting, and 4-H competitive shooting. Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced shooting will be covered. ***Schedule – Salt Hawk Archery Club – 9:00 AM Saturday's starting late April through September.***

HUNTING SKILLS

Prerequisite: At least one of the other disciplines. Ages 8 to 18
***Schedule – monthly
Location based on activity.***

SHOTGUN

Prerequisite: Safety Course or Hunter Education and Air Rifle. Ages 10 to 18. Learn basic and shotgun skills and safety. Progress to advanced skill levels, learn to shoot trap and skeet, learn to hunt wild game if you wish, and 4-H competition.

Schedule – Central Kansas Gun Club – summer dates to be determined.

MUZZLE LOADER

Not available in 2018 at this time.

~~Prerequisite: Safety Course or Hunter Education and Air Rifle. Ages 10 to 18. Learn basic and black powder skills and safety. Progress to advanced skill levels and 4-H competition. ***Schedule – Central Kansas Gun Club – summer dates to be determined.***~~

SMALL BORE RIFLE

Prerequisite: Safety Course or Hunter Education, Air Rifle, and written parental permission. Ages 8 to 18. Bring your own equipment to be checked by instructor and learn small bore rifle technique and safety and practice for competition and fun.

Schedule – Central Kansas Gun Club – summer dates to be determined.

SMALL BORE PISTOL

Prerequisite: Safety Course or Hunter Education, Air Pistol, and written parental permission. Ages 12 to 18. Bring your own equipment to be checked by instructor and learn small bore rifle technique and safety and practice for competition and fun.

**Schedule – Central Kansas Gun Club
– summer dates to be determined.**

**WESTERN
HERITAGE/COWBOY ACTION**

Western Heritage Project combines a comprehensive study of the Old West with the fastest growing shooting sports discipline in the world – western action shooting. The purpose of this project is to provide an avenue for 4-H members and adult leaders to experience the lifestyles and cultures of the Old West from the period of around 1860- 1900 through a living history approach to learning while instilling the concepts of gun safety and personal responsibility. Members dress in Old West clothing, shoot replica firearms of the frontier period, and expand their knowledge of U.S. history.

Educational Impacts of the 4-H Western Heritage Project Include:

- Connecting today's youth with the values and traditions of our past
- Preserving and gaining an appreciation for the heritage of the Old West in the time period of 1860-1900
- Instilling an investigative interest in American Frontier history leading to personal research and increased knowledge of the Old West
- Recognizing the accomplishments and importance of both men and women from a

variety of cultures and races that contributed to the history of the Old West

- Enhancing learning by participation in living-history through the use of historically accurate, firearms, clothing, and accessories
- Encouraging visits to local, state, regional, and national museums

4-H Shooting Sports Outcomes Include:

- Learning and applying the fundamentals of the safe handling of firearms
- Placing life-skill development over competition
- Providing an enjoyable and action oriented shooting sports activity that attracts and retains 4-H members and their families
- Promote 4-H Cowboy Action Shooting and historical study to 4-H programs.

Each year culminates in a championship event where 4-H members shoot for the fastest time, take a history exam, and have their clothing knowledge assessed. It's not always the fastest shooter who wins.

There are prerequisites to shoot but none for the history aspect of the discipline. The Shooting part includes rifle, pistol, and shotgun.

**Schedule – Central Kansas Gun Club
- monthly**

PROJECT RECORD BOOKS

Each participant will be encouraged to keep their own records (also sometimes called shooters journals) on a week to week basis. This will include what was learned and any scores that were shot. Comparison from week to week on an individual's scores will help with striving to improve and to assist in completing their project records.

MATCHES/CONTESTS

Participation in matches will require concurrence of the Certified Discipline Instructor, the County Coordinator, and County Agent. All fees will be at the participant's costs. There are minimum age requirements for competition that may be different than the local minimum ages for participation in the project/discipline.

**DILLONS COMMUNITY
REWARDS PROGRAM**

Reno County 4-H Shooting sports is registered as a rewards program participant. This program pays the club a % of certain purchases you make from Dillon's if you select us as your choice. These proceeds have been used to offset the cost of running the program and help keep the user fees from being more. This is the link to the program signup:

<https://www.dillons.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow>

Our sign up code is: 43805

Please return the 2017-18 enrollment form to the Reno County Extension Office, Ray Bartholomew, or at first practice.

Date: _____

Yes, I am enrolling in the Reno County Shooting Sports Program in the following basic disciplines:

____ BB-Gun ____ Air Rifle ____ Archery ____ Air Pistol ____ Muzzle Loader ____ Small-bore Rifle ____ Small-bore Pistol

For both small bore disciplines ammunition to be supplied by participant (Must have previously taken Air Pistol to do small bore pistol)

____ First discipline \$15.00 ____ for each additional discipline of those checked above add \$10.00.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS NOT COVERED ABOVE

____ Shotgun \$5.00 plus range fees (if applicable) and shells _____ BB Gun Safety Course (Free)

____ Western Heritage/Cowboy Action – \$10 to cover cost of student handbook & incidentals.

____ Hunting Skills (\$5.00 plus possible fees depending on special activities)

Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____

Address _____ City _____

Email address: _____

Hunter Education Certificate Number (if previously completed): _____

Phone Number _____ Name of Parent(s) of Guardian(s) _____

Liability release: The K-State/Reno County Extension Service, instructor, and sponsors are released from any liability due to any accident or loss that occurs as a result of participation in the Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports Program.

Parents/Guardians Signature

Date