

Summer Sizzle Shoot

2026

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Chillicothe Sportsmen's Club
General Information

The Chillicothe Sportsmen Club (CSC), 4-H Shooting Sports Clubs of Marshall-Putnam counties and LaSalle County are co-sponsoring a statewide shooting sport meet on June 6, 2026 (Rain or Shine). CSC grounds are located one mile north of Chillicothe, Illinois off IL State Route 29. Archery, air rifle, .22 small-bore rifle, & shotgun (trap) contests will be offered this year. The .22 small-bore rifle contest will follow the air rifle contest, 4-H'ers may enter both contests, but only if they have received instruction in both disciplines. Those choosing to participate in Archery or Shotgun may only choose one discipline.

The CSC/M-P 4-H Shooting Sports Meet follows the guidelines for National 4-H Competitive Events as established by National 4-H Headquarters at the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

This meet is for 4-H members enrolled in shooting sports as a project and want to compete in a competition with awards. **Participants must be enrolled in a 4-H Shooting Sports Program where during the current club year they have received instruction from a certified Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor in your disciplined area.**

First place medals will be awarded based on marksmanship. There are three age divisions for archery & rifles, Juniors – 8-11, Intermediate 12-14 and Seniors – 15-18/19; and three divisions for shotgun & .22 small-bore rifle Juniors – 10-11, Intermediate 12-14 and Seniors – 15-18/19.

4-H members of all ages can participate in this event, just confirm that the 4-H'er enrolls in the correct age group for each discipline.

Age Requirements – Archery & air rifle participants must have passed their 8th birthday by September 1, of current 4-H year and may not have passed their 19th birthday before September 1, of current year. Shotgun & .22 small-bore rifle participants must have passed their 10th birthday by September 1, of current 4-H year and may not have passed their 19th birthday before September 1, of current year.

There will be **NO WALK-IN REGISTRATIONS**. Registration will open April 23. Postmark deadline is May 30, 2026. See the registration form for fees schedule (available April 23). If you register before May 10, your fee will be \$5.00 less than if you register after May 10.

You will receive your shooting assignment and be required to check-in your shotgun & .22 ammo when you check-in the day of the shoot.

All **REQUIRED** forms must have parent/guardian signature where indicated **if a signature is missing you will not be allowed to shoot**. The 4-H Youth or Shooting Sports Coordinator or County's 4-H Range Instructor must also sign to confirm that you are enrolled in shooting sports.

It is the responsibility of everyone to have the Youth Emergency Medical Information, & registration forms forwarded to the **M-P 4-H Shooting Sports Club University of Illinois Extension 509 Front St. Suite 4, Henry, IL 61537**

Anyone exhibiting unsafe handling of firearms/bows will be asked to leave.

Rifle Range: Due to space and seating constraints, there will be a limit of two observers per competitor. In addition to the two observers, each county will be allowed one coach on the range during a match if that county has competitors shooting during said match.

There may be other CSC activities happening, please respect those activities and avoid them. **Please note the CSC Lake is off limits during the 4-H shoot.**

There is a meeting room with tables and chairs. If you wish, you could bring your own lunch and eat in the meeting room or an outside picnic area. This year, there will be a food truck to purchase snacks and lunch. There are also several restaurants in the area.

You are encouraged to bring your own gun/bow/equipment. If you do not own your equipment, perhaps you could ask your 4-H Youth or Shooting Sports Coordinator or County's 4-H Range Instructor for permission to use your local club's equipment.

8:15 – 9:00 am Check-in of 4-H'ers

8:00- 8:45am Archery inspection/Sighting in opportunity

9:05 am Opening (Pledge of Allegiance, 4-H pledge) Instructions to 4-H'ers

Immediately following Pledge, head to specific range-- Scoring procedure, Range & Safety review at the range.

Competition will begin when Range Instructor has completed Safety review.

Awards will be presented in the CSC clubhouse, approximately 30 minutes after the completion of each discipline.

Fees will be on the registration forms; please note the early bird price before May 10 postmark. Registrations postmarked between April 23 & May 10 will be decreased \$5.00.

Your disciplines rules will be under the rules section, please read them and be prepared to shoot under these guidelines. These will be on the website with the registration paperwork in April.

If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact the University of Illinois Extension, Bureau-LaSalle-Marshall-Putman Unit at 309-364-2356.

CSC/BLMP AIR RIFLE MATCH RULES
Chillicothe Sportsmen Club
Rules & Regulations

Classes

- 1) Junior Unsupported Prone (10 shots {plus 3 sighting in shots}- NRA AR 5/10)
- 2) Junior Kneeling (10 shots - NRA AR 5/10 target)
- 3) Junior Standing (10 shots - NRA AR 5/10 target)
- 4) Junior Standing (20 shots Silhouette target)
- 5) Intermediate Unsupported Prone (10 shots {plus 3 sighting in shots}- NRA AR 5/10)
- 6) Intermediate Kneeling (10 shots - NRA AR 5/10 target)
- 7) Intermediate Standing (10 shots - NRA AR 5/10 target)
- 8) Intermediate Standing (20 shots Silhouette target)
- 9) Senior Unsupported Prone (10 shots {plus 3 sighting in shots}- NRA AR 5/10)
- 10) Senior Kneeling (10 shots - NRA AR 5/10 target)
- 11) Senior Standing (10 shots - NRA AR 5/10 target)
- 12) Senior Standing (20 shots - Silhouette target)

Junior 8-11 years old (inclusive) as of September 1 of current 4-H year

Intermediate 12-14 years old (inclusive) as of September 1 of current 4-H year

Senior 15-18 (inclusive) year olds as of September 1 of current 4-H year

- a) Participants must be a member of a 4-H Club, and 4-H Shooting Sports Club, and enrolled in a 4-H Shooting Sports Program where during the club year they have received rifle instruction from a certified Illinois 4-H rifle Instructor.
- b) Junior contestants will shoot in classes 1, 2, 3 & 4. All four classes will be totaled to provide total score.
- c) Intermediate contestants will shoot in classes 5, 6, 7 & 8. All four classes will be totaled to provide total score
- d) Senior contestants will shoot in classes 9, 10, 11 & 12. All four classes will be totaled to provide total score.

4-H'ers are responsible for knowing the rules of their event and staying within them. Learning the rules of the events is part of the educational process for shooting sports participants, but the intent is to aid shooters rather than entrap them.

EQUIPMENT

- 1) Contestants should use their own Air Rifle equipment. If you do not have one, a Daisy 753/853 **MAY BE** available.
- 2) Air rifles are limited to factory specifications – 750 FPS or less is recommended.
- 3) Any manufacture of compressed gas, spring, or pump operated rifles will be allowed as long as they comply with rule 2 above.
- 4) All equipment will be inspected for safety, condition, etc. by range instructors prior to the match and at any time during the match when inspection is merited.
- 5) If equipment is found to be unsafe and corrections not made before the match, then the contestant may share an Air Rifle or use an Air Rifle that is on hand for the match.
- 6) Acceptable air rifles will be the Daisy 753/853/953, Daisy 888, Crossman 2000 or similar sporter air rifle with metallic sights that is under 7.5 pounds.
- 7) Shoes are restricted to soft, low cut, flexible soled, athletic or street shoes that do not extend above the ankles. **No stiff soled boots (i.e. "cowboy" style, "work boot" style, etc.) are permitted. No open toed shoes allowed.** A shooting glove may be worn, but no shooting jackets are permitted.

Each shooter must bring his/her own shooting glasses and mat. Contestants should bring a shooting mat for the prone positions. If you have none, a carpet mat will be provided.

- 8) For classes 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 & 11, the NRA 10 meter Air Rifle Targets (NRA AR 5/10) and shot at the distance of 10 meters (33 feet).
- 9) For classes 4, 8 & 12 paper Silhouette targets will be used. Since the Chillicothe Sportsmen Club air rifle is an indoor range, paper targets modified to represent chickens at 20 yards, pigs at 30 yards, turkeys at 36 yards, rams at 45 yards will be used. Pellet must tear the silhouette to count as a hit. Targets can be found at the end of these match rules.

OTHER RULES:

- 1) Communication between competitors and event officials, once the match has begun, should be limited to **safety concerns** only.
- 2) Due to space and seating constraints, there will be a limit of two observers per competitor. In addition to the two observers, each county will be allowed one coach on the range during a match if that county has competitors shooting during said match.
- 3) Coaches will be allowed to approach and "coach" shooters briefly during the changeover periods between positions (see time limitations below.)
- 4) In the case of a tie between competitors in the same age group, the competitor with the higher scoring silhouette will receive the higher placing. In the case of a tied score on these silhouette targets, the higher placing will be given to the competitor who scored a higher score on their target for standing position.

Events and time limitations:

Targets: NRA AR 5/10

For All shooters:

Times

- Preparation period 10 min
- 12 shots unsupported prone shooting 12 min (NRA AR 5/10)
- Change over period 5 min (during this time coaches may approach/converse with competitors)
- 12 shots kneeling shooting 15 min (NRA AR 5/10)
- Change over period 5 min (during this time coaches may approach/converse with competitors)
- 12 shots standing shooting 20 min (NRA AR 5/10)
- Change over period 5 min (during this time coaches may approach/converse with competitors)
- 20 shots standing shooting 10 min_(paper silhouettes)

Silhouettes:

Shooters will shoot one sheet of 20 silhouettes. Paper targets have been modified to represent chickens at 20 yards, pigs at 30 yards, turkeys at 36 yards, rams at 45 yards. Pellet must tear the silhouette to count as a hit. Others are scored as misses. Targets can be found at the end of these match rules. The shooting position will be the standard standing position for silhouette shooting. **This is the most difficult shooting that will be done.**

Contestants, coaches and spectators shall adhere to the 4-H Code of Conduct at all times. All equipment shall be handled in a responsible and safe manner. Any person(s) who endangers other participants shall be removed from the match. Range instructors and event officials will have final say in resolving any discrepancies.

