

2024 .22 caliber rifle & air rifle

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Colorado Parks and Wildlife Hunter Education:

<http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterEducation.aspx>

Youth must have a hunter safety card before shooting at TRA invitational shoots and Mesa County Fair. NO EXCEPTIONS! See link above for CPW website to find class schedules and registration.

Safety Meeting: There will be two safety meetings (4/2 4/16) 4H members must attend at least one safety meeting prior to shooting.

Regular Practices: Practices will be at the Orchard Mesa Gun Club on Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30pm starting April 2 and will continue until Mesa County Fair shoot. We would like the line hot at 7:00 PM so we can finish cleaning up by sunset. Please arrive with enough time to set up shooting mats and target stands.

Target Fee: A target fee of \$20.00 per participant will be charged. This is a one-time fee for the year to cover targets, range supplies, extra mats, extra target stands, and awards.

Range Clean Up/Community Service Day: Each participant will be required to attend at least one community service 4H event. This can be the range clean-up day, assisting with a 4H event, or other documented community service activity.

Other Practices: A certified leader may hold a practice for 4-H members at the place and time of their choosing. Please notify the shooting sports coordinator and superintendent of the date, time and location and times of each shoot. A sign in sheet needs to be provided to the superintendent for practice tracking after each shoot.

Qualifiers: To qualify for the Mesa County State Fair Team, 4H members shall shoot at least two qualifying shoots for each discipline they plan to shoot for Mesa County Fair. Scores from the highest qualified and the Mesa County Fair shoot will decide the State Fair Team. The top four Mesa County Fair scores in each discipline will make the state team along with the next two highest scores being the alternates. TRA shoots can be used for qualifiers but the contestants

will need to provide the targets from these events to the superintendent for documentation.

Equipment: Mesa County has a limited amount of equipment available for use at regular practices and Mesa County shoots. Contact the Superintendent to check availability of equipment. Equipment will only be signed out to a certified leader for use by 4H members only and must remain in the certified leader's control at all times. Ammunition may be available in limited amounts. There is a \$5.00 charge for 50 rounds and it must be paid for at the time it is used.

All shooters must supply their own safety glasses, hearing protection and target stand. A loading block, shooting mat, and kneeling roll are recommended. There are plans on the shooting sports website on how to make a target stand.

RECORD BOOKS: A record book (1) is required to complete shooting sports with an additional supplement for each discipline the 4H member is shooting. A score of 70% on the record book is required to complete the project. Record books will be turned in to the extension office at a date that will be announced later.

PREMIER SHOOTER: To compete in the premier shooter class the 4H shooter must compete in two or more shooting disciplines. A shooting sports display board or a stand alone project is required for county fair, if the shooter chooses to participate in Premier Shooter Award Program. Premier record books will be due at interview along with the display.

Schedule: All regular practice will be on TUESDAY nights.

April 2, 2024 – Safety meeting (mandatory to attend one), program information, introduction to the different disciplines, shooting positions, etc. **No shooting this practice.**

April 9, 2024 – Regular practice – Introduction and practice from the prone position

April 16, 2024 – Safety meeting at 6PM prior to regular practice (mandatory to attend one) – Introduction to sitting position, practice shooting from prone and sitting positions

April 23, 2024 – Regular practice – Introduction to kneeling position, practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline

April 30, 2024 - Regular practice – Introduction to standing position, practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline

May 7, 2024 – Regular practice- practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline

May 14, 2024 - Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

May 21, 2024 - Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

May 28, 2024- Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

June 04, 2024 - Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

June 11, 2024 - Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

June 18 2024 - Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

June 25, 2024 - Regular practice – practice shooting all positions appropriate for discipline (qualifying scores)

Mesa County Invitational - Date TBD

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