

Marion Co. Shotgun Discipline

- 2021 -

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Program Cost: \$50/youth

- 3 Program Scholarships Available -

<u>DATES</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>LOCATIONS</u>
Jan. 21st	5:30 p.m.	ZOOM Webinar
Jan. 24th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
Jan. 31st	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
Feb. 7th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
Feb. 21st	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
Feb. 28th	TBD	TBD
March 7th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
March 14th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
March 21st	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
March 28th	TBD	TBD
April 11th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
April 18th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Prentice Cooper
April 25th	2:00pm	<u>County Competition</u>

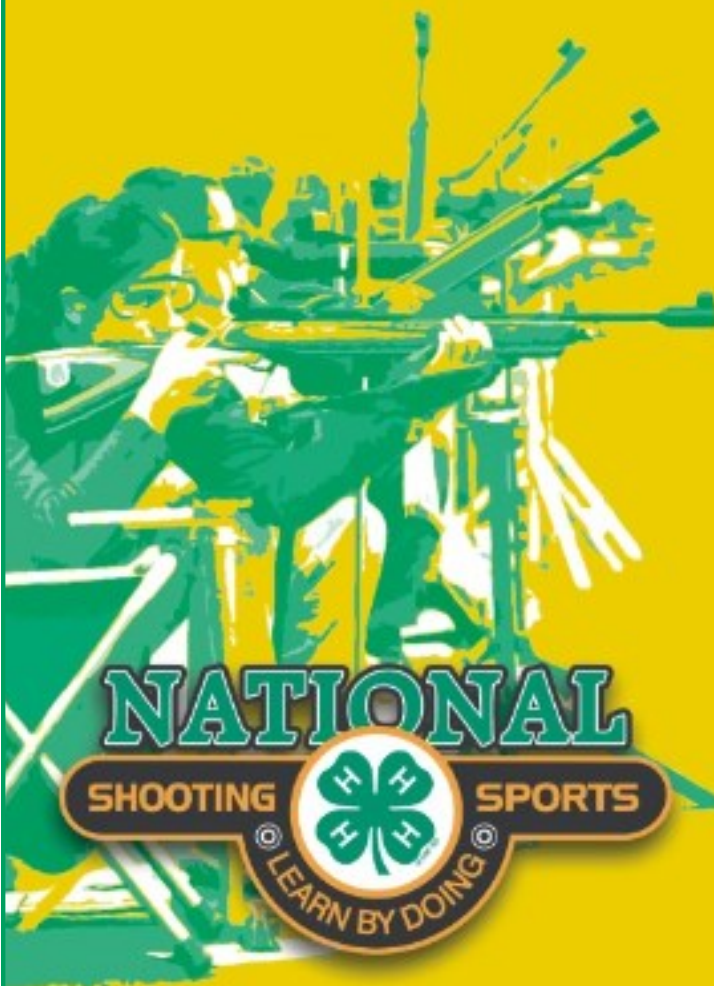
Shotgun Jamboree @ Nashville Gun Club
- May 1st, 2021 -

- IMPORTANT INFO FOR 2021 -

- #1 New location at Prentice Cooper Shooting Range
- #2 All updates sent via REMIND (details on back)
- #3 3 program scholarships available (details on back)
- #4 Pre-order federal ammunition at ~25% discount

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www.4-hshootingsports.org



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS... & THEIR ANSWERS

What is the purpose of this program?

Answer: Broadly stated, to teach responsible use of firearms including sound decision making, self-discipline, and concentration as well as promote the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship, and ethical behavior all while enhancing character development and personal growth of youth and families involved.

Does my youth have to have a TWRA Hunters Safety Course Certification?

Answer: Yes; however, if the child does not have one he/she will still be allowed to participate under the stipulation that he/she will take the course when it is offered during the current calendar year. For more info, contact the TWRA at (615) 781-6500.

Are we requiring youth to supply their own shotgun?

Answer: If possible. We have some youth models, but not enough for everyone. Firearms must be in good mechanical and physical condition which will be determined by our instructors who reserve the right to prohibit use of any firearm not safe.

Are we requiring youth to supply their own ammunition and clay targets?

RECENT CHANGE

Answer: For 2021, youth will only be required to supply their own ammunition. Preordering ammunition is an option through Federal's Youth Shotshell Program at ~25% off retail. Request and submit your orders by emailing mdeist@utk.edu.

Will youth need to supply their own hearing and eye protection?

Answer: No. Hearing and eye protection will be provided. If youth have their own, they may be used, but only if approved by the instructor. When using your own, mind the fit when shouldering a shotgun. Some hearing protection impedes the ability to aim.

How frequent will we meet and how long will the program last?

RECENT CHANGE

Answer: Our meeting dates are different year to year. We are now shooting on Sundays, our first shoot will be January 24th, and our last will be May 1st at the **SHOTGUN JAMBOREE in Nashville**. We will do our best to adhere to the times, dates, and locations listed on the front of this sheet, but keep in mind they may change especially due to weather. In the event we make a change, parents will be notified at least 24 hours in advance via REMIND. Please sign up using instructions at the bottom.

Do both my youth and I need to be at all the shoots and meetings?

Answer: Parents do not have to be at the meetings, but are expected to drop off & pick up youth in a timely manner. Keep in mind, the program is largely ran by volunteers who donate their time for free. **NOTE: Youth are REQUIRED to be present for the educational lesson prior to a shoot in order to participate in a live fire exercise unless otherwise approved by an instructor.**

Where will we be meeting?

Answer: The majority of our practices will be held at Prentice Cooper's Shooting Range located within the Prentice Cooper Wildlife Management Area. Simply enter Prentice Cooper Shooting Range in google maps and it should take you right there. There will also be signs marking the way. Keep in mind we will have practices at different locations (e.g. Dead Zero, Prairie Shooters, Highland Rim Shooters, etc.) so please pay special attention to the REMIND messages being sent.

How does my youth apply for one of the three program scholarships?

Answer: Youth will write a one page, single-spaced essay on "Why 4-H is Important to Our Community". These essays will be due via email to mdeist@utk.edu before Jan. 24th. If youth's registration has already been paid, that fee will be reimbursed.

IMPORTANT PONDERINGS TO CONSIDER:

1. IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS.
2. WE ARE NOT PERFECT, PLEASE BE PATIENT AND WE WILL RECIPROCATE.
3. WE ARE USING FIREARMS AND LIVE AMMUNITION, **SAFETY IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND OUR #1 PRIORITY.**
4. ALL UPDATES ON MEETINGS DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS WILL BE SENT VIA REMIND. SEE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

REMIND SIGNUP: Simply text @4hclays to the number 81010

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