

## Shooting Sports

The shooting sports season is fast approaching for 2023 – 2024. To be eligible to enroll in 4-H Shooting the 4-H member **must be 9 by October 1<sup>st</sup> of 2023**. To enroll in 4-H, please go to this site, <https://www.montana.edu/extension/gallatin/4hnew.html>. There are a few items that must be completed prior to the season starting. **The following items must be completed and submitted to the discipline leaders before the participant may shoot.**

1. Shooting Sports Fee - \$40/discipline
  - a. Payment is due upon registering in ZSuite.
2. The following forms must be completed and signed by the shooter and the parent or guardian of the shooter. Complete these forms via DocuSign here: [DocuSign](#)
  - a. **Medical Form**
  - b. **Informed Consent Form**

**There will be mandatory parent meetings for each shooting sports discipline. Please see the schedule for location and time for each discipline.**

**Archery** will be held at Big Sky Archery, 77 Laura Louise Lane located at the intersection of Baxter Lane and Jackrabbit Lane on Sundays from 1:00 – 5:00 pm. The archery season will start on Sunday, December 3, 2023. **The number of archery shooters will be capped at 96. We will then establish a waiting list.** For more information contact Randy Radke 406-539-4903. We need adult leaders to run the project. Please consider this opportunity to work with our 4-H youth.

**Air Rifle and Air Pistol.** The venue for air rifle and air pistol is located at 123 Doe Road in Belgrade. The season will begin on Wednesday, November 29, 2023, with a mandatory safety and organizational meeting at 6:00pm. For more information contact Bill Ott – 209-2599 or Lee Nelson – 579-0612.

**Smallbore Rifle** will start at Greenway Range on Friday, December 8, 2023, at 5:00 – 6:30 and Monday, December 11, 2023, from 5:00 – 6:30. The day for shooting will be selected by the shooters and parents during the county-wide parent meeting. Greenway range is located at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds, 901 North Black in Bozeman. Shooters must be 10 years of age by October 1, 2023, to participate. **The number of smallbore shooters will be capped at 25. The returning shooters will be given priority. It is a pre-requisite that the shooters have 1 year of Shooting Sports Experience. We will then establish a waiting list.** For more information contact Scott Francis – 581-6845 or Tom Everett – 570-8878.

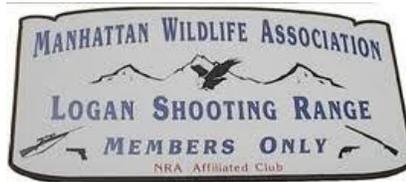
**Shotgun** will start on Sunday, January 7, 2024, at 1:00 pm at Manhattan Wildlife Association Trap Range located at 337 Logan Trident Road in Logan. There will be a mandatory parent and safety meeting prior to shooting. All shooters need to attend. It is strongly recommended that the participant be 10 years of age. For more information contact Scott Francis – 581-6845.

**The Muzzle-loading Project** will be determined later in the shooting season. The Hunting & Wildlife Project will be determined later in the year. Please check the newsletter for days and times. It is recommended but not required that the participants be 12 years of age and have been in Hunter's Education. Contact Scott Francis – 581-6845 for more information.

**Be sure to get registered early in the registration process!!!!!!**

**Thank You to our Sponsors!**

Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports is very fortunate to have the support of many individuals and conservation organizations. We are very fortunate to be recipients of a Friends of NRA Grant for this shooting season of 2023 - 2024. We will be able to purchase and obtain the needed targets, ammunition, and equipment to serve our programs. Manhattan Wildlife Association, Southwest Montana Chapter of SCI, and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation have been a tremendous supporter to 4-H Shooting Sports. Gallatin County 4-H Air-gun Program would like to sincerely thank the following sponsors of one month's rent for our venue; Mike Swan – Swan Land Company, R Davidson Masonry, Joe Miller – Monarch Heating and Cooling, 3 Brothers Plumbing and Heating, The MeatEater – Stephen Rinella, Rex Kleinsasser – Air Controls, and Southwest Montana Chapter SCI. They embrace the opportunity to help with youth shooting and provide the venue to offer the various shooting disciplines. Thank you to these sponsors. Without their dedication to youth shooting, our shooting sports program could not do what we do for the members of Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports.



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### Volunteers needed:

Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports is in desperate need of adults to become certified leaders in the different disciplines that are offered in 4-H Shooting. We need assistance in all shooting disciplines. For us to provide a safe and educational experience, we need your help. Please consider becoming a leader. More information on leader trainings will be made available as it is received. Please plan to attend. For more information, please contact Scott Francis – 406-581-6845.

**Questions: Contact the following leaders**

**Archery – Randy Radke – 406-539-4903**

**Air Rifle/Pistol – Lee Nelson – 406-579-0612, Bill Ott – 406-209-2599**

**Smallbore – Tom Everett – 406-570-8878, Scott Francis – 406-581-6845**

**Shotgun, Hunting & Wildlife – Scott Francis – 406-581-6845**

**Muzzle-loading – Bill Ott – 406-209-2599, Scott Francis – 406-581-6845**

**Western Heritage – Todd Kesner – 406-451-1207**