

**2010
WELLS COUNTY
4-H SHOOTING SPORTS**

BB GUN AND RIFLE SAFETY CLUB

6:30 - 8:30 PM, Community Center at the 4-H Park, Bluffton

BB & RIFLE

January 19 (6:30 – 8:00 PM)	Sign Up & Safety Rules	March 2	Meeting
January 26	Gun Demo & Meeting	March 9	Meeting
February 2	Instruction & Meeting	March 16	Meeting (Test)
February 9	Instruction & Meeting	March 23	Meeting (Test Make-up)
February 16	Instruction & Meeting	March 30	Snow Date (Make Up)
February 23	Instruction & Meeting	April 6	Award Night

WHO CAN JOIN?

Youth may become 4-H members when they enter third grade and may continue their membership through the completion of grade 12. A member may continue membership for a maximum of ten (10) years.

AGES & COST

BB Gun Safety: Grade 3 and above - Cost \$20.00
.22 Caliber Rifle: Grade 6 and above – Cost \$25.00

No person will be turned away for financial constraints. Cost includes: (Book - for new members) Equipment, Supplies, Insurance, Awards and Refreshments at Awards Night. If you have more than one youth in the family, the second member is only \$15.00. Scholarships available – check with leaders.

LIMITED MEMBERSHIP

For safety reasons and to provide adequate instruction, membership will be limited to the first 28 youth in BB and the first 32 youth in Rifle.

SAFETY FIRST

The 4-H program teaches firearm safety taught by NRA and 4-H certified instructors. All equipment (Daisy BB guns) Pellet Pistols, and .22 Caliber Rifles will be furnished. Members are not to bring any equipment with them.

SPECIAL DETAILS

- ♦ Parents are welcome to attend.
- ♦ In case of bad weather, listen to radio stations K105 or WMEE 93.3 for postponements. Usually if one of the schools cancel, the 4-H event will be postponed.

PARENT HELP

Parent help is needed to assist with scoring targets, recording scores, and as range assistants along with set-up and tear-down.

LEADERS NEEDED

More adult volunteers are needed to become club leaders. If interested, call the County Extension Office at 824-6412 or talk to one of the leaders. Volunteers interested in becoming a certified 4-H instructor may attend the State Training April 9 – 11, 2010 or September 10 – 12, 2010. Your fees will be sponsored by Wells County 4-H. Options include: Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Muzzleloading, Archery, Coordinator, and Hunting/Wildlife.

4- H LEADERS

BB Gun & Rifle

Chad Captain	417-6488
Gregg Palmer	701-2975
Tex Mauger	827-0266
James Painter	639-6547
Don Kiefer	824-1585

QUESTIONS?

For more information about 4-H, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service,
1240 S. 4-H Rd.,
Bluffton, IN 46714
260-824-6412
rsheer@purdue.edu

Web Site: www.wellscounty.org/4h/

Fair Poster Option

You may make a poster or notebook about some aspect of shooting sports or may exhibit something you made. Examples might include: Poster or Notebook: Firearm Safety; Cross a Fence with a Gun, Eye Dominance; Muzzleloading; Target Trap; Archery Safety; Types of Arrows; Buying a Bow; Shooting Vests; Hunter Ed; Tree Stand Safety; Percussion or Flintlock; Hunting Wild Turkeys; Handmade Items – Gun Rack or Tables, Ammo Box, etc.

HUNTER EDUCATION

A Hunter Education Class will be offered March 8, 10 & 11, 5:30 – 9 PM at the 4-H Park. More details at the 4-H Meetings. Call 824-0692 to register for the class.

PISTOL SAFETY

The Pellet Pistol Program will be offered if there is enough interest. Mark your enrollment form or call the Extension Office, 824-6412 if you are interested.

Shot Gun

The Shot Gun Program will begin April 17. This groups meets at the Wells County Gun Club, north of Bluffton. Watch the 4-H Newsletter for details or call Ryan Kline, 375-3865.

WHAT IS SHOOTING SPORTS?



Shooting sports teaches safety, concentration, self-discipline, self-confidence, goal setting, decision making and courtesy as young people learn basic skills and build toward more advanced activities. Both competitive and cooperative skills are included. Participants are exposed to local policies, regulations, laws, and ethical behavior both by repeated demonstration and through personal practice.

ARCHERY CLUB

The Archery Club will begin with sign up on April 19, 6:30 PM at the 4-H Park Quonset. Meetings will be held on Mondays in May and June. Watch for more details in the 4-H Newsletter. Call Terri Quinn, 622-6617.

CANCELLATION POLICY



All 4-H meetings and activities are canceled if one or more of the schools in the county are closed due to bad weather. On weekends, or if in doubt, tune in to K105 FM or WMEW 97.3 FM.