

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

**SHOT GUN SAFETY CLUB**

**9 – 11 AM, Wells County Gun Club  
2555 E. 400 N., Ossian IN 46777**

**MEETINGS**

April 17 (9 – 11 AM)	Sign Up, Safety Orientation	May 22	Safety & Shooting Instruction
April 24	Safety & Shooting Instruction	May 29	Memorial Weekend – No Mtg.
May 1	Safety & Shooting Instruction	June 5	Safety & Shooting Instruction
May 8	Safety & Shooting Instruction	June 12	Safety & Shooting Instruction
May 15	Safety & Shooting Instruction	June 19	Rain Make Up & Awards

**WHO CAN JOIN?**

Membership is limited to the first 20 who sign up with the leader. This is due to the size of facility and number of leaders. 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.

Another requirement in the 4-H Shot Gun Safety Club is the ability to physically handle a shot gun. The club will be using 12 and 20 gauge shot guns. The leaders with your parents will determine if you can safely handle the weight and size of the guns.

**COST**

Shot Gun Safety                      \$ 35.00

Cost includes: (Book - for new members) Equipment, Supplies, Insurance, Awards and Refreshments at Awards Event. Scholarships available – check with leaders. The club may consider some type of fund raiser to help cover the cost of ammo and clay targets.

**SAFETY FIRST**

The 4-H program teaches firearm safety taught by 4-H certified instructors. Everyone will wear safety glasses and hearing protection.

Firing range procedures will be taught and followed throughout the meetings.

**PARENT HELP**

Parents are welcome to attend. Parent help may be needed at times to help with scoring or as a range volunteer.

**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 and 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.

**EQUIPMENT**

The 4-H club has some shot guns for participants to use. Club members that wish to use their own shot guns will be required to have their shot guns safety checked by a licensed gunsmith and return a signed safety certificate to the 4-H Leaders before they will be allowed to use them. Safety certificates will be available at sign up or may be picked up at the Extension Office.

## 4- H LEADERS

### Shot Gun Safety

James Painter	639-6547
Ryan Kline	375-3865
Jim Hunter	824-2783
Fred Nash	694-6736
Kevin Springer	565-3323
Melvin Purvis	765-728-5284



### **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.

### **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](mailto:rsheer@purdue.edu)

Web Site: [www.wellscounty.org/4h/](http://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**

Classes are offered each spring , March 8, 10 & 11, 2010 and fall in Wells County. For more information and class dates, contact Mike or Jodi Pinkerton at 824-0692.

### **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. For more information, contact Terri Quinn, 622-6617.

### **BB GUN & RIFLE SAFETY**

The BB Gun & Rifle Safety Club meets January – April, Tuesday evenings at the 4-H Park. Watch the 4-H Newsletter for dates.

### **PISTOL SAFETY**

Pellet Pistol will begin April 20 with sign up at 6:30 PM at the 4-H Park Quonset Building. Watch the 4-H Newsletter for details.