
Barron County 4-H Shooting Sports

What is it All About?

The Barron County 4-H Shooting Sports program covers the fundamentals of each discipline, marksmanship, and shooting procedures. The Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports program in Barron County is geared for teaching beginning target shooting skills for youth at junior, intermediate and senior levels.



The 4-H shooting sports program is meant to complement and enhance the impact of existing safety, shooting and hunter education programs using experiential educational methods and progressive development of skills and abilities. 4-H Shooting Sports programs are available to youth from **3rd grade and at least 8 years old (as of January 1) through the year following high school**. Shooting Sports projects include archery, air pistol, .22 pistol, air rifle, .22 rifle, muzzleloader, and shotgun. **4-H youth must be 12 years of age by the start of the program, event, or activity to operate any powder-burning firearm**. This includes .22 handgun or rifle, muzzleloader handgun or rifle, or shotgun.

Barron County 4-H does not offer all disciplines every year. Please contact project leader for information. Shooting Sports training centers (not including archery) run from the end of April through June with a fair shoot at the end of June. Youth work with certified shooting sports volunteers to learn skills and practice shooting. Equipment is available. Additional State and National shooting sports activities can be found at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/shooting-sports/>

Youth can learn

- safe, educational, and socially acceptable involvement in shooting sports
- understanding of our natural resources and the development of a personal environmental stewardship ethic by young people through participation in shooting, wildlife, and related activities.
- safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment including sound decision-making, self-discipline and concentration.
- the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship and ethical behavior

Applying Project Skills to Life

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| • Communication Skills | • Opportunities to earn awards |
| • Confidence & concentration Exposure to careers | • Opportunities to set goals |
| • Ethical Standards | • Personal responsibility |
| • Friendship | • Poise |
| • Leadership skills | • Reasoning skills |
| • Lifetime sports | • Respect |
| • Opportunities to achieve goals | • Safe habits |
| • Opportunities to compete in matches | • Self-discipline & self-esteem |

Ideas for Project Area Learning

- Identify parts, uses, and care of equipment and rifles
- Learn and practice range commands
- Learn and use safety rules, such as eye and ear protection and correct behavior on the range
- Learn the differences and uses of a variety of equipment and shooting disciplines.

Showing What You've Learned

- Club Demonstrations
 - Fair Shoot Participation
 - Record Book
 - Educational Displays/Posters
- **can be shown at fair, please view the Barron County fair book: Natural Resources Department for listing of ideas.*

2026 Spring Shooting Sports Information

- \$10 Individual, \$15 Family participation fee (air/.22) payable to Barron County 4-H Shooting Sports
- Almena Range has an additional range membership fee: \$10/single \$15/family
- Trap is \$5/round (no project fee)
- **Spring Shooting Sports Kick-off Meeting: TBD**

Archery – Rice Lake (4:00 – 8:00 PM)

- Jan 26 & 29
- Feb 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26
- Mar 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26
- Fair Shoot: March 30, April 2

Trap – Almena (5:30 – 7:00 PM)

- Apr 27
- May 4, 11, 18
- June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- Fair Shoot: July 6

Air .22 and Pistol – Almena (5:30 – 7:00 PM)

- Apr 28
- May 5, 12, 19, 26
- June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Air/.22 Rifle – Brill (4:00 – 8:00 PM)

- Apr 30
- May 7, 14, 21, 28
- June 4, 11, 18, 25
- July 2
- Fair Shoot: July 9

Range Locations:**Almena Sportsman's Club**

Located 1.5 miles East of Almena on Hwy 8

Brill Sportsman's Club

2501 26th Ave, Rice Lake, WI 54868

Shooting Sports Volunteers/Leaders**Volunteer Contacts:**

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