

Shooting Education Camp Journal

6th ANNUAL 4-H SHOOTING EDUCATION CAMP 2003

“Awesome shooting!” “Great food!” “I made new friends.” “I’m coming back next year.” “Best camp I’ve ever been to.” “My instructors really cared about me.” These are typical evaluation comments written by campers.

Thanks to a dedicated staff of Shooting Sports volunteers and a super group of staffers at Canter’s Cave 4-H Camp, the 6th Annual 4-H Shooting Education Camp was a huge success. Shooting, swimming, High Ropes, dancing & karaoke, dogs, falcons, fishing.... Shooting Education Camp had more activities than ever to keep campers involved and entertained from Sunday through Friday. Special programs featured everything from a shotgun shooting exhibition to tracking dogs to Cowboy Action Shooting to pond study to flint knapping.

With 128 campers, the 6th annual camp was the largest ever, with more girls (32) than past years. First-time campers numbered 38. County participation increased to 41 counties. Once again, Belmont had the largest delegation with 18 youth and two instructors. Franklin County sent 11 campers and three instructors.

It took 28 shooting sports instructors and another 5 support staff to pull it all off. Canter’s Cave staff provided 8 people leading afternoon programming, another 8 cooking, and another 5 covering maintenance/housekeeping. Teamwork made it all look easy.

A huge **THANKS** to our shooting discipline instructors who took vacation, time away from family, came early to build ranges or prepare sites, and who designed lessons and games which helped beginners and experienced shooters gain new skills and fine-tune fundamentals so everyone was successful on the shooting line. (See instructor list- page 7.)

Special thanks to those who organized and/or presented unique events:

Flint knapping: **David McKay**

Falconry: **Peggy Hayes**

Backpacking: **Dennis Elliott**

Orienteering: **Larry Baker**

Flint & Steel: **Dean Freund, Paul Markel,
Lloyd Culbertson**

Hunting Games: **John Yarman, Ed Clawson**

Cowboy Action Shooting: **Roger Antolik,
Dave Gribble &
Paul Deem**

Lethal Impact: **Doug Wellock**

Atlatls & Darts: **Steve Barnett**

Pilot Puppies: **Lori Shot**

Tracking Bloodhounds: **Mike Byrd**

Pond Study: **Mary Day Miller**

Shotgun Shooting Exhibition: **Jon Kruger**

Shawnee Run: **Debbie Endsley**

Triathlon: **Mike Briski**

Other volunteers who made camp more comfortable and fun included: nurses Mark Harger and Peggy Hayes; night security Bob Smith; Dean of Men Chris Rettig; Dean of Women Teresa Nuzum; crafts instructors Sue Antolik and Larry Chorpenning. Thanks to John Yarman, Chris Goepfinger and Lloyd Culbertson who caught, cleaned and cooked fish and turtle for evening snacks.

Some neat surprises and new programs are in progress for the 2004 camp. We hope that campers will recruit new participants so even more Ohio youth can enjoy the **7th annual Shooting Education Camp** next summer — July 18-23, 2004.

2003 disciplines:

Archery 1 – 7	Rifle 1 – 11
Archery 2 – 9	Rifle 2 – 8
Living History 1 – 2	Rifle Adv.- 15
Living History 2 – 5	Shotgun 1 – 12
Living History 3 – 2	Shotgun 2 – 20
Pistol – 7	Shotgun 3 – 15
	Shotgun 4 - 13

~~ARCHERY~~ 1

Instructors: **John Yarman, Ed Clawson, & Nancy Hardiesty**

“Archery is a great sport that is fun, exciting and takes skill. Have faith in yourself and the way you shoot. Archery teaches you to have confidence and fun.”
Colleen Dillon, Highland County

“Archery is an enjoyable sport that most any one can learn to do. It allows one to learn to aim, to have discipline and to concentrate. Through it takes skill, practice and patience, I would recommend it to anyone who can hold a bow.”

Tara Regan, Ashland County

~~ARCHERY~~ 2

Instructors: **Judy Hunter & Todd Endsley**

“The 4-H Shooting Sports Camp is a great camp. We shot many different guns. I enjoyed the different things we did, also my archery discipline. All the instructors are great teachers here. I think this is the best camp I’ve ever been to.”

Dylan Westrick, Defiance County

“The sixth annual Shooting Sports Camp was a blast. I enjoyed my archery discipline because of the wonderful instructors. Camp is Great!!!”

Andrew Givens, Stark County

ARCHERY 2 AWARDS

Best 3-D Archer – **Andrew Givens**, Stark Co.
Most Improved Archer – **Jason Dees**, Butler Co.



Instructors:
Lloyd Culbertson & Paul Markel

“In Living History 1 we learned to load and shoot percussion cap muzzleloaders. We also worked closely with a Shawnee woman and a Frontiersman. The crafts we make are wonderful and very useful. Overall it’s a class that you learn many things that you wouldn’t learn anywhere else.”

Nick Oberdick, Belmont County

LIVING HISTORY 1 AWARDS

Closest to the “X” – **Nick Oberdick**, Belmont Co.
Most Enthusiastic – **Josephine Moore**, Franklin Co.



Instructors:
Dean Freund & Debbie Endsley

“This week we had tons of fun in Living History. Not only did we learn how to shoot and clean smooth bores, we had to shoot with only one sight. We made copies of an original 1757 bullet board. Thanks to Lloyd Culbertson we ate turkey and venison, also stew and johnnycakes. It was extremely good. On forging day we made vent picks. Then we made rifleman’s bags out of cowhide. We had some very knowledgeable and helpful instructors, who not only helped us, but were our friends also.”

Jonathan Harper, Licking Co.

LIVING HISTORY 2 AWARDS

Closest to the “X” – **Ben Harris**, Jackson Co.
Garrett Kraft, Jackson Co.
Best ML Coach – **Scott Elliott**, Franklin Co.
Most Enthusiastic – **Jonathan Harper**, Licking Co.
Most Meticulous Craftsman – **Stephen Morris**, Washington Co.

Special thanks to **Grant Neilley**, advisor of *American Traditions 4-H Club* in Licking County, who helped us cook and bottle a batch of rootbeer. Also, to Stacy Wagoner and Rebecca Stout, club members who visited Living History in period cloth and shared their personas from the late 1700’s.



Instructors:
Dean Freund & Debbie Endsley

“I enjoyed learning the art of blacksmithing and because of this program, I wish to learn more.”

Chris Potter, Broward Co., FL

"The thing I enjoyed most about camp this year was how to hand forge and work on making my own knife."
Jon Ulferts, Medina County

PISTOL

Instructors: **Mike Briski & Jerry Vance**

"Camp was great. I had an awesome time shooting. I met a lot of new friends and the food was great."

Michael Bodner, Butler County

"When I was little camp for me was all singing, going on hikes, eating bad camp food, but having a great, fun time! After not being to camp for years I didn't know what to expect when I came here. It was different than day camp in every aspect except one: I had the best time I can remember having in a long while. The food was good, I was doing new things, and the best part for me was that everything was challenging and I made great friends. I only wish I would have brought a camera. And I'm coming back next year if at all possible."

Carly Smith, Medina County

RIFLE 1

Instructors: **Sue Antolik & Chris Rettig**

"In Rifle 1 this week, we learned (or learned to do better) sitting, kneeling, off-hand, and prone shooting positions. We also did some "out of the ordinary" shooting such as shooting paintballs, balloons, spinners, and shoot NC's. It was neat to see all of us improve as the week went on."

Rachel Winkler, Warren County

RIFLE 2

Instructors: **Teresa Nuzum & Ed Moore**

In Rifle 2 we tried to expand from just the basic positions of prone, kneeling and off-hand to also include the proper use of equipment (slings, kneeling rolls, shooting coats, gloves, etc.) in these positions. We encouraged our participants to try the use of this equipment and shoot a match and compare that to a match shot without the equipment. All of the participants agreed that the use of this equipment improved their targets!"

"The instructors were great and I had fun."
Chris Duve, Ross County

"I learned the kneeling position and I improved very much in the offhand position. I can't wait to come back."

Randi Hilt, Marion County



Instructors: **Roger Antolik & Larry Chorpenning**

"Camp was great. The people you meet are super cool, and the instructors teach you not only Shooting Sports, but valuable life skills as well."

Sarah Weisenberger, Franklin County

"4-H shooting camp week is for me a very relaxing week of shooting. I see it as an opportune week to accomplish many goals in an environment that is extremely positive and open minded. The time spent at camp is a lesson in life, not only do you shoot but get to meet some outstanding people from across the state. Camp offers the best of both worlds, competition and many hours of fun."

Jeff Naswadi, Summit County



SHOTGUN 1

Instructors: **Doug Schafer, Elaine Schafer & Greg Hirsh**

"I liked shooting at the rabbits and on coming targets. Doug and Elaine, thanks for helping me."

Andrew Maynard, Trumbull County

"I liked the advisors Doug and Elaine. They were really good help and nice."

Cody Wilt, Gallia County



SHOTGUN 2

Instructors: **Ralph Sherman, Steve Dillion & Mark Harger**

In Shotgun 2, I learned not to aim, but to point. How to use the barrel as just another finger and instinctively hit targets without hesitation. I liked meeting people and realizing that even if they were better at shooting, they didn't care if I wasn't. And the final thing that stuck with me after camp was a quote from the bible stating that a good name is worth more than any amount of gold can buy. If I learned anything from camp, it was this.

Jamie Alexander, Franklin Co.



SHOTGUN 3

Instructors: **Doug Wellock, Bruce Warren & Jim Maple**

A few things I learned in the Shotgun 3 were how to stand, what color of lenses to wear, and how to track the targets. The instructors were really cool and helpful. Everything at camp was fun. My favorite part was shooting. The special shooting guest Jon Kruger was awesome.

Isaac Heise, Allen Co.

In Shotgun 3 we shot the main games of shotgun. We shot skeet, trap, and 5 stand sporting clays. The instructors were great and taught us a lot about the games as far as the different techniques of shooting each game. I made some great friends and hope to return to the fun next year.

Eric Sibley, Tuscarawas Co.



SHOTGUN 4

Instructors: **Fred Sherman & Ruth Sherman**

“Skeet was a new experience for me. We were taught all the rules and how to shoot both International and American Skeet. I think one of the things that will affect me the most is how to shoot a falling target. Shooting Education Camp is for those advanced in what they shoot, the ones who have never shot before, and all those people in between. I liked the instructors and the camp staff. It was a blast!

Mark Lindsey, Coshocton Co.

“Shooting the sporting clays was a fun experience, especially not knowing where the clays were going. Shooting skeet was fun but also challenging. Jon Kruger was an amazing trick shooter and could show you how good you can get if you work hard and follow your goals.”

Bobby Roby, Hardin Co.

TRIATHLON NOT

by Mike Briski

A junior shot a perfect 90 score, establishing a new record in the short history of the Triathlon.

Thirty-three campers and five adults took part in the third Triathlon.

Contestants shot .22 caliber pistol, .22 caliber rifle and the bow and arrow.

Pistol and rifle targets were metal silhouettes and the archery target was a standard bullseye. In previous triathlons the top Junior (up to 13 years) had been very close to the top Senior's score. This year the Junior winner was also the overall high score with a perfect 90.

Triathlon Results

Jr. Division

- 90-Chris Duve, Ross Co.
- 88-Graham Warren, Clinton Co.
- 79-Graham Pritchard, Butler Co.

Sr. Division

- 89-Tie-Carly Smith, Medina Co.
- 89- Eliab Moore, Franklin Co.
- 88-David Morris, Washington Co.
- 87-Danielle Nuzum, Allen Co.

Adult Division

- 83-Chris Goeppinger, Knox Co.
- 80-Mike Briski, Butler Co.
- 73-Doug Wellock, Medina Co.

Can you name the 4 campers who have attended all SIX camps since Shooting Education Camp began in 1998?

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- ★ Appalachian Longbeard Chapter, NWTf
- ★ Dave Korenke

- ★ State 4-H Shooting Sports Committee
- ★ Ohio Department of Natural Resources
Division of Wildlife
- ★ Larry & Anita Harris
- ★ Belmont County Shooting Sports
- ★ Annie Oakley Women's Shooting Assn.
- ★ Ohio Game Protectors

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Kruger Awes Audience at Shooting Ed Camp

by Larry Harris

Jon Kruger, a World Clay Champion and Owner of Quail Ridge Sportsman Club and Shooting School located in Sunman, IN., recently visited the Ohio 4-H Shooting Education Camp held annually at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp. 126 Campers from across the state were treated to an amazing demonstration of Jon Kruger's World Champion skills at the new skeet field facility located at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp.

Jon Kruger was so impressed with the Ohio 4-H Shooting Education Camp that he donated his time and talents to the youth program. Following the shooting demonstration Mr. Kruger talked with the campers and signed autographs on clay targets, shells and hats.

Jon Kruger has volunteered to be on the agenda for the 2004 4-H Shooting Education Camp scheduled for July 18s-23, 2004, at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp.

Check the internet for pictures of kids and activities at the 6th Annual Shooting Education Camp at —

www.ohio4hshootingsports.org

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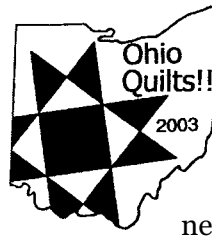
SHOP LOCATION

Miami County Fairgrounds
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(937) 335-6670

(Open the 1st Saturday of each month 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.)

MAILING ADDRESS

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Mission Impossible?

Assemble a lap quilt in three afternoons using kids who have never made a quilt before? Hey, some of them had never operated a sewing machine before!

Add "General" Melanie Warman, and "Colonel" Anita Harris to direct the troops--shooters ages 12-18 -- attending July's State 4-H Shooting Education Camp, and you definitely have

Mission Possible!

Thanks to the enthusiasm of 19 "newbie" quilters, the patience of our Quilt Officers, and a little help from adult shooting instructors Debbie and Teresa, a striking red, white & blue lap quilt will be bringing a smile to the face of a seriously ill child. Quilt block designs included Log Cabin, Ohio Star and Flying Geese. Campers learned some basic sewing skills and gained a service learning opportunity while having fun with their peers.

Thanks to our youth quilters: Eric Hirsch, Scott Elliott, Jackie Briski, Rachel West, Jessica Burger, Jake Smith, Josephine Moore, Lacy Schaffer, Merry Briski, Rachel Winkler, Isaiah Moore, Rebecca Stout, Stacy Wagner, Cooper Wiley, Nicole Ulferts, Sarah Weisenberger, Nathan Easley, Cassie Graham. Following camp, Teresa and Danielle Nuzum hand-quilted much of the quilt.

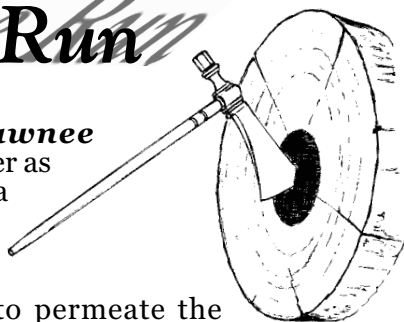
The finished quilt was displayed in The Quilt Shop at Cloverville, the 4-H display area in the Lausche Building, during the 2004 Ohio State Fair.

Special thanks to Debbie who attended the project orientation last March and brought this project to camp; to Mary Forster and Eva Bradshaw at OSU who organized the service learning; and to project donors: Ohio 4-H Foundation, Mountain Mist, American Patchwork & Quilting, Fabri-Text, and Bay's IGA of Lithopolis.



Lacy Schaffer and Jackie Briski assembling quilt blocks

Shawnee Run



The 2003 **Shawnee Run** was the fastest ever as Isaiah Moore posted a 7:05 run, a new record. Enthusiasm for the frontier-style Olympics continued to permeate the event. Times were the fastest ever and more participants are acing the stations. Many campers took advantage of samplers during the week that allowed them to practice some of the skills tested. Stations included: shooting 3 arrows at a life-sized standing Black Bear, throwing tomahawks, shooting the gong with the muzzleloader, slingshots, creating an ember with flint'n'steel, paddling a kayak, and throwing corn cob darts. A slippery trip down the water slide helped cool runners before they hit the home stretch of the country mile course.

Special thanks to:

- participants for their enthusiasm;
- to campers who help out at stations, or helped "walk and water" runners as they finished;
- to instructors who staff the stations.

Teamwork makes it all succeed!

Senior Division

Gold Medallists

7:35-Isaiah Moore, Franklin Co.
7:55-Richard Bell, Guernsey Co.
8:32-Mark Lindsey, Coshocton Co.
Scott Elliott, Franklin Co.
Charles Harger, Licking Co.
Eliab Moore, Franklin Co.
Nick Oberdick, Belmont Co.
Andrew Wesel, Washington Co.
Nathan Easley, Highland Co.
Logan Demmy, Franklin Co.

Silver Medallists

Doug Johnson, Hardin Co.
Stewart Harger, Licking Co.
Stephen Morris, Washington Co.
Hayes Lester, Gallia Co.
Jon Ulferts, Medina Co.
Andrew Givens, Stark Co.
Jonathan Harper, Licking Co.
Jackie Briski, Butler Co.
Dexter Minneman, Miami Co.
Cody Schanfish, Geauga Co.

Bronze Medallists

Monica Boes, Hamilton Co.
Carly Smith, Medina Co.
Justin Dulla, Geauga Co.
Jessica Burger, Fulton Co.

Rachel Lea, Franklin Co.
Tara Regan, Ashland Co.
Danielle Nuzum, Allen Co.
Staci Collins, Washington Co.
Brandon Webb, Washington Co.
Matt Love, Trumbull Co.
Natasha Hupp, Washington Co.

Junior Division

Gold Medallists

10:40-Cooper Wiley, Columbiana Co.
10:42-Isaac Heise, Allen Co.
10:42-Logan Stinson, Summitt Co.
Ben Harris, Jackson Co.
Dylan Westrick, Defiance Co.

Silver Medallists

Jarrad Markel, Holmes Co.
David Tromblay, Hamilton Co.
Adam Sherman, Wyandot Co.
Nate Perry, Miami Co.
Nathaniel Guy, Columbiana Co.

Bronze Medallists

Tyrel Nuzum, Allen Co.
Samantha Givens, Stark Co.
Josephine Moore, Franklin Co.
Alyssa Givens, Stark Co.
Garrett Kraft, Jackson Co.
Randy Hilt, Marion Co.

Instructor Division

Gold Medallists

Todd Endsley, Coshocton Co.
Ed Moore, Franklin Co.
Paul Markel, Holmes Co.
Mark Harger, Licking Co.

Congratulations to Shawnee Run participants who accomplished stations with no additional time penalties: Richard Bell, Jackie Briski, Scott Elliott, Mark Harger (instructor), Jonathon Harper, Doug Johnson, Mark Lindsey, Dexter Minneman, Ed Moore (instructor), Eliab Moore.

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Campers who have attended ALL SECamps?

- ◆ Jackie Briski, Butler Co.
- ◆ Jessica Burger, Fulton Co.
- ◆ Andrew Givens, Stark Co.
- ◆ Rachel West, Jackson Co.

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