

# Shooting Education Camp Journal

## 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL 4-H SHOOTING EDUCATION CAMP 2002

So much to do, and only five and a half days to get it all done! With many new activities coupled with camp favorites, nobody had time to use the word "boring" all week.

Campers gave high marks to Cowboy Action Shooting, the Falcon Lady, fish shocking, Lethal Impact, atlats and darts, just to name a few. Daily meals in the cool of the dining hall and multiple swimming opportunities helped everyone cope with July's hot weather.

113 campers participated in the 5th annual Shooting Education Camp at Canter's Cave from July

21-26. Many, many thanks to our discipline instructors who came early to build ranges and designed shooting plans which helped beginners AND experienced shooters gain new skills and fine-tune fundamental skills so everyone was successful on the line.

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

*Cowboy Action Shooting:*

**Paul Markel & Roger Antolik**

*Lethal Impact:* **Larry Harris**

*Falconry:* **Peggy Hays**

*Fish Shocking:* **Ed Moore & Jes Antolik**

*Atlats:* **Ray Stricheck**

*Shawnee Run:* **Debbie Endsley**

*Triathlon:* **Mike Briski**

Participation by different counties was up with campers from 37 counties. One former Ohio 4-Her came back from Florida to join us for the week. Belmont County had the most campers, 16, while Franklin County was second with 11 campers. Guys still out-numbered the gals, 90 to 23. First time SECampers totaled 44. Over a dozen campers were back for their fourth or fifth year.

Other volunteers who made camp more comfortable and fun included: nurses Mark Harger and Peggy Hays, Larry "Gourdman" Chorpensing, and crafts instructor Sue Hahn. Thanks to John Yarman, Chris Goeppinger, Dean Johnson and Lloyd Culbertson who caught, cleaned and/or cooked fish and snapping turtle for snack one evening.

Instructors are already working on ideas for the 2003 camp. We hope that campers will spread the news about the great instructors and activities available at Shooting Education Camp. Watch for dates and more news in the Winter Bullseye.



### 2002 discipline participants:

*Archery 1 - 5*

*Archery 2 - 10*

*Hunting - 5*

*Living History 1 - 7*

*Living History 2 - 4*

*Rifle 1 - 8*

*Rifle 2 - 5*

*Rifle Adv. - 15*

*Shotgun 1 - 18*

*Shotgun 2 - 17*

*Shotgun Adv. - 19*



The face and obverse of the "Volunteer Thank You" Medalion is shown twice "life" size. That's appropriate since many 4-H volunteers are "twice life size" in terms of the work they do with our youth!

I came into the week thinking we'd just play a bunch of hunting games. I was right and wrong. We did play games that helped us develop important hunting skills, but we also went on a lot of hikes. We practiced walking quietly in the woods, using camo, and we learned how to use different animal calls. I learned a lot about the woods, and hunting in general, that I know I will be using in the future.

**Jackie Briski**, Butler Co.

### Overall Hunting Awards

**Eric Myers**, Trumbull Co  
**Jackie Briski**, Butler Co.

## RIFLE 1

*Instructors:* **Steve Dillon**, Highland Co.,  
**Sue Antolik**, Delaware Co.

I had a very enjoyable time in Rifle 1. What I learned will be very useful in the future. I learned two new positions: prone & kneeling. I learned proper breathing to help with the shot. I learned techniques to be a more accurate shooter.

**Chris Lyle**, Allen Co.

I'm a new shooter. This week I learned all five positions and enjoyed them thoroughly. Though occasionally I got frustrated, and they (instructors) helped me to realize that I had already completed a great task. I had reached success! I also was able to improve my self esteem and the way I think. That was the greatest. My shooting skills have improved greatly thanks to my instructors! I plan to go home and put everything I learned to use and to help others with their shooting.

**Danielle DiVincenzo**, Holmes Co.

### Rifle 1 Awards

Closest to the X **Danielle DiVincenzo**, Holmes Co.  
Match Winner **Chris Lyle**, Allen Co.  
Most Improved **Cullen Stinson**, Summitt Co.  
Coaches Choice **Logan Demmy**, Franklin Co.

## RIFLE 2

*Instructors:* **Hal Hardiesty**, Ross Co.,  
**Ed Moore**, Franklin Co.

The week at Shooters Education Camp was not only fun but very educational. The whole week we were taught all of the positions of shooting and even introduced to shooting with a sling. One thing that I learned was that I get really anxious about pulling the shot off and Hal Hardiesty, the coach, taught me to breathe a few breaths and if I can't get the shot off in those few breaths, set the rifle down and wait, then try it again. The camp was a real blast.

**Matt Miller**, Athens Co.

## ARCHERY 1

*Instructors:* **Mike & Meredith Briski**, Butler Co.  
**Nancy Hardiesty**, Ross Co.

I learned about several things in Archery 1. I learned about anchor point, which is where the arrow and string sit while you are aiming. I also learned about parabola, which is the arc in which an object travels.

**Rachel Lea**, Franklin Co.

## ARCHERY 2

*Instructors:* **Don Thornton**, Butler Co.,  
**Todd Endsley**, Coshocton Co.

Five years of Shooting Education Camp, I've taken Archery and this year was the greatest! There was also swimming, putt-putt golf, basketball and best of all, fishing. I've had the time of my life here this year. I recommend this camp to anyone. It's a BLAST!

**Andrew Givens**, Stark Co.

## HUNTING & WILDLIFE

*Instructors:* **Dean Johnson**, Licking Co.,  
**Teresa Nuzum**, Allen Co.

In Hunting and Wildlife I have learned proper ethics, shot placement, camouflage and how to hide. We tracked a fake blood trail, we did a predator call, and we scouted and talked about where to place a treestand. I have really enjoyed this discipline and hope I can come back next year. It's been lots of fun.

**Tyrel Nuzum**, Allen Co.



## ADVANCED RIFLE

*Instructors:* **Roger Antolik**, Delaware Co.,  
**Larry Chorpennig**, Washington C

I learned trigger control, controlled breathing, and of course, bullet placement. This discipline helped me improve my small bore skills greatly. I didn't only learn from my coaches [instructors], but also from my peers. I learned to better the skills I already possessed. **Ryan Devine**, Franklin Co.

I learned I need to practice a lot more than I usually do. I just got a new .22 special to use at camp. Shooting my new rifle made my arms so sore, I could hardly lift it so I had to really work my arms so I could shoot the next day. Once I got used to my rifle, I started shooting really well. My scores went way up compared to last year.

**Sarah Weisenberger**, Franklin Co.

### Adv. Rifle Awards

Biathlon- **Drew Wesel**, Washington Co.  
Smallbore 1<sup>st</sup>- **Staci Collins**, Washington Co.  
2<sup>nd</sup> - **Nathan Easley**, Highland Co.  
3<sup>rd</sup>- **Samantha Moore**, Franklin Co.



## SHOTGUN 1

*Instructors:* **Doug & Elaine Schafer**, Belmont Co.  
**Ralph Sherman**, Hardin Co.

Most of Sunday we learned the safe handling of a shotgun. I also learned that you don't aim a shotgun, you point it. I was taught everything I was doing [was] wrong. **Eric Sibley**, Tuscarawas Co.

Shotgun 1 was a very instructional class. We learned how to shoot guns, traps, and double traps. We shot 12 and 20 gauges, pumps and semi-automatics. We shot mechanical trap and field trap. But most important we had a lot of fun. Doug, Ralph and Elaine are great instructors.

**Casey Karn**, Delaware Co.



## SHOTGUN 2

*Instructors:* **Greg Hirsch**, Clinton Co  
**Bruce Warren**, Clinton Co  
**Mark Harger**, Licking Co.

In this discipline I learned how to shoot sporting clays and how much lead you need to have. I also learned how to shoot crossing clays. Before I came here I had only done trapshooting. So I learned all about skeet and sporting clays.

**Alyssa Goodwin**, Montgomery Co.

This week I learned how to use lead to help break more clays. I also learned to point your feet where you want to break the target. My instructors also helped me improve on angles of shooting targets. **Jonah Neill**, Washington Co.

### Shotgun 2 Awards

1<sup>st</sup>- **Seth Scott**, Morgan Co.  
2<sup>nd</sup>- **Matt Vannest**, Belmont Co.  
3<sup>rd</sup>- **David Morris**, Licking Co.  
4<sup>th</sup>- **Kayla LaPoint**, Allen Co.  
5<sup>th</sup>- **Casey Stiles**, Belmont Co.  
Most Improved - **Michael Staker**, Scioto Co.  
**Jonah Neill**, Washington Co.



## SHOTGUN ADVANCED



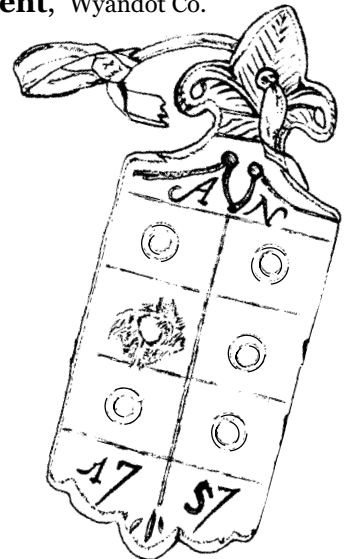
*Instructors:* **Fred Sherman**, Hardin Co.,  
**Doug Wellock**, Medina Co.,  
**Brian Crozier**, Ross Co.

The advanced shotgun class was very educational and gave all of the shooters the opportunity to try new things. Skeet and sporting clays were new for me and a lot of the campers. Both were really fun and something I hope to do again. Both instructors were always very helpful and positive. We had a lot of fun and overall learned a lot more about shotgun use. **Allie Sherman**, Hardin Co.

### Adv. Shotgun Awards

Overall - 1<sup>st</sup>- **Curtis Wellock**, Medina Co.  
2<sup>nd</sup>- (tie) **Eric Hirsch**, Clinton Co.  
**Jimmy Brinkman**, Miami Co.  
3<sup>rd</sup>- **Rob Vent**, Wyandot Co.  
High Score Trap - **Eric Hirsch**, Clinton Co.  
High Score 5-Stand - **Mark Lindsey**, Coshocton Co.  
**Rob Vent**, Wyandot Co.

In Living History we also stress accuracy. Accuracy in persona and dress.  
Before the "1757" Bullet Board a reenactor could not wear a bullet board unless portraying a person *after* 1810. This single artifact changed that date by over fifty years!



## X LIVING HISTORY 1

*Instructors:* **Lloyd Culbertson**, Athens Co.,  
**Paul Markel**, Holmes Co.

I liked to shoot the muzzleloaders and make the deerskin pouch. I liked the frontiersman (Two Hearts) and making fire with flint and steel.

**Vince Casagrande**, Ross Co.

In the week of Living History class I learned how to lead and shoot a muzzleloader. I made a leather pouch out of deerhide, a ball starter, a nipple pick, and a cane powder measure. I also met a frontiersman (Two Hearts), a frontier girl (Rachel Lea), and a Shawnee Indian woman (Bright Moon).

**Natasha Hupp**, Washington Co.

### L.H. 1 Awards

Closest to the X: **Natasha Hupp**, Washington Co.  
**Stewart Harger**, Licking Co.

Best Group: **Ben Harris**, Jackson Co.



## LIVING HISTORY 2

*Instructors:* **Dean Freund**, Franklin Co.,  
**Debbie Endsley**, Coshocton Co.

In Living History 2 I had a great time forging steel and making a vent pick. I also made a loading block out of wood. One day Living History got to eat turkey-rice stew, Johnnycakes, venison and more. I encourage everyone to overcome your fears of camp and join Living History.

**Benjamin Colston**, Stark Co.

Living History 2 was a blast! Shooting the 62 cal. Flintlock was fun and a learning experience. Dean was a great instructor as well as a good friend. He showed us what you could do when you put your nose to the grindstone and at times, what not to do. If I took anything from the class, it would be that hard work and teamwork, work out the best.

**Steven McClure**, Medina Co.

In Living History 2 we shot a flintlock, made a loading block, made deerskin pouches, and even went on a nature walk with Peggy (Hayes) the Falconry Lady. We learned that jewelweed is a natural anti-inflammatory that can be used if you get poison ivy. We saw Boone Cave, rumored to have been visited by Daniel Boone himself.

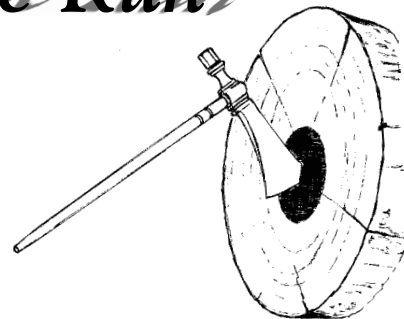
**Chris Potter**, Broward Co., Florida

### L. H. 2 Awards

Closest to the X: **Jarred Markel**, Holmes Co.

Best Group: **Steven McClure**, Medina Co.

# Shawnee Run



To honor a native tribe dominant in Ohio's early history, the old Seneca Run was renamed The Shawnee Run. Enthusiasm for the "frontier style Olympics" continued to run high and the competition was fierce! Stations included: shooting 3 arrows at a life-sized standing Black Bear, throwing tomahawks, shooting a muzzleloader, slingshots, creating an ember with flint'n'steel, paddling a canoe, throwing corn cob darts. Stations were spaced along the country mile run through camp.

Thanks to participants for their enthusiasm and to instructors who make it all work!!

A special salute to the following who accomplished all the stations with no penalties: seniors Richard Bell, Monica Boes, Jake Smith; and junior Jarred Markel.

### Senior Gold Medallists

9:00 - **Seth Scott**, Morgan Co.  
9:10 - **Hayes Lester**, Gallia Co.  
9:11 - **Isaiah Moore**, Franklin Co.  
9:15 - **Drew Wesel**, Washington Co.  
9:30 - **Richard Bell**, Guernsey Co.  
9:45 - **Scott Elliott**, Franklin Co.  
9:50 - **Stephen Morris**, Washington Co.

### Senior Silver Medallists

**Andrew Givens**, Stark Co.  
**Cody Schanfish**, Geauga Co.  
**Paul Emerson**, Medina Co.  
**Alex Easley**, Highland Co.  
**Dexter Minneman**, Miami Co.  
**Jackie Briski**, Butler Co.  
**Nathan Easley**, Highland Co.  
**Steven McClure**, Medina Co.

### Senior Bronze Medallists

**Roger McGinnis**, Madison Co.  
**Danielle Nuzum**, Allen Co.  
**Monica Boes**, Hamilton Co.  
**Jessie Burger**, Fulton Co.  
**Stewart Harger**, Licking Co.  
**Pete Deem**, Washington Co.  
**Brandon McDonald**, Montgomery Co.  
**Natasha Hupp**, Washington Co.

**Jake Smith**, Athens Co.  
**Chris Potter**, Broward Co., FL  
**Staci Collins**, Washington Co.

### Junior Gold Medallists

9:23 – **Mark Lindsey**, Coshocton Co.  
 10:05 – **Ben Colston**, Stark Co.  
 10:05 – **Rene Goeppinger**, Knox Co.  
 10:40 – **Eliab Moore**, Franklin Co

### Junior Silver Medallists

**Logan Demmy**, Franklin Co.  
**Jarrad Markel**, Holmes Co.  
**David Stout**, Licking Co.  
**Josh Pemberton**, Hardin Co.  
**Dylan Westrick**, Defiance Co.  
**Ben Harris**, Jackson Co.

### Junior Bronze Medallists

**Adam Sherman**, Wyandot Co.  
**Tyrel Nuzum**, Allen Co.  
**Garrett Kraft**, Jackson Co.  
**Vince Casagrande**, Ross Co.

At week's end, a few shooting sports instructors had the energy and determination to give the Shawnee Run their best efforts. Congratulations to our gold medallists in both instructor divisions.

### Instructor Junior Division

8:41 – **Todd Endsley**, Coshocton Co.  
**Mark Harger**, Licking Co.  
**Paul Markel**, Holmes Co.

### Instructor Senior Division

**Larry Chorpensing**, Washington Co.  
**Debbie Endsley**, Coshocton Co.

# TRIATHLON

The second annual Triathlon attracted 47 shooters on a hot Thursday afternoon during camp. Twenty eight senior and 19 junior competitors took three shots with a bow, five shots with a .22 pistol, and five

shots with a .22 rifle. In each of the three events a perfect score was 30 points, making 90 points the maximum possible.

### Senior Division winners were:

**Andrew Wessel** - Washington Co. 88/90  
**Samantha Moore** - Franklin Co., 86/90  
**Danielle Nuzum** - Allen Co., 84/90

### Junior Division winners were

**Eliab Moore** - Franklin Co., 87/90  
**Alan Gulley** - Scioto Co., 86/90  
**Andy North** - Franklin Co., 81/90



**Peggy Hays** "the Falcon Lady" & *Mariah*

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## STATE ACHIEVEMENT WINNER



**Congratulations to our 2002 State Achievement Winner, Andy Barricklow, 16,** a seven-year 4-H member active in Shooting Sports, safety, and community service. Andy is the son of Mark and Mary Lou Barricklow of Belmont County. Andy attended Shooting Education Camp in 2001 and State Leadership Camp in 2002. The story Andy wrote for his Ohio Achievement Report tells best about his shooting sports involvement.

*by Andy Barricklow*

I'll always remember the Christmas of 1999, the year my mother made a decision that changed my life. Working two jobs was keeping her busier than usual and she decided that Dad should take over the major Christmas gift shopping. Mom would never have considered purchasing the handsome Winchester 22 semi-automatic rifle that Dad brought home and placed under the tree. My dream came true! Of course it came with some strong stipulations which included a 4-H Safe Use of Guns project and shooting sports training both formally and informally.

Both of my parents also agreed that I should register for a local hunter safety course as part of the gun project. There I learned to respect all guns, both loaded and unloaded, and rules for safe and legal hunting. We practiced proper shooting positions and learned about various types of guns and their ammunition.

My first year our county permitted us to take the shooting sports project even though we did not have a shooting sports club in the county. It was very hard to get the amount of hours with a certified instructor to complete the project. I participated in the Ohio State Fair shooting sports project judging and my judge strongly advised me to encourage our agent to get more adults certified and more youth involved in camps and a county club. Our agent was

supportive of this endeavor and gained sponsorship for a county day camp which was offered to all youth in the 4-H program.

As a result, more interest was gained both with adults and youth and we were able to get another certified instructor. Our Shooting Sports Club now meets on a regular monthly basis and we frequently meet at a local Sportsman's Club to shoot together. The county club has provided a bridge between the community and our 4-H program in a positive way for both of us. We have benefited from their knowledge, shooting ranges, and their financial support. They have shown a true interest in sharing their experiences with us and encouraging us to join them when we become adults. The local sportsmen have cooperated with us for over a year now and the relationship seems to be growing from both sides.

State Shooting Sports Camp was another adventure I will not soon forget. I was able to participate in several different areas of shooting sports both in competition and fun. The whole week capitalized on safe use and handling of guns. Experiences like going on clay pigeon woods walks and trying to shoot those unpredictable clay rabbits will stay with me for a long time. Trying to hit clay pigeons going ninety miles an hour, and all the friends I met are parts of the 4-H lifestyle that I would recommend to anyone.

4-H has made a huge impact on me and has given me experiences I will never forget. Through life I will be safer and much healthier because of the knowledge and experiences I have gained in 4-H and shared with others. I look forward to continuing to shoot for pleasure and working with youth to encourage them to experience the same opportunities that have been presented to me through 4-H.

I plan to study a career in engineering or business communication and 4-H is preparing me to be a team player, speak in public, manage schedules, be organized, be responsible, be a leader, and believe in my ability to achieve.

## FALL MUZZLELOADING SHOOT @ "Friendship"

Here's the deal! Kenyon Simpson a 4-H national muzzleloading instructor called me from New York and said - "Hey Dean, how about getting some Ohio 4-Hers to join some of the kids I'm bringing from New York at the Fall Shoot at Friendship!?"

I don't have the dates. (I'm assuming it would be over a weekend.) I know several of you have already shot at Friendship. This notice is to help me create an "I'm interested list." If there is enough interest I'll mail out the specifics to everyone on the list.

If you are interested please contact —

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DEADLINE: September 1, 2002

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