

December 14, 2023

TO: District 3 County Extension Agents



FROM: Seth Hall
Extension Program Specialist 4-H

SUBJECT: Rolling Plains District 3 4-H Rifle & Pistol Shoot
Saturday, April 20th, 2024

The Northwest Texas Field and Stream Association and Wichita County 4-H invites all District 3 Rolling Plains Texas 4-H Shooting Sports members to join us on Saturday April 20th, 2024 in Wichita Falls, Texas at the NWTF&S Range for a District Rifle & Pistol Shoot. *(This will be a restricted match only open to District 3 counties).*

This shoot will be the qualifying shoot to select the District 3 Rolling Plains Sr. Rifle Round-up teams and individuals.

Date: Saturday, April 20th, 2024

Place: NWTF&S Daume Marksmanship Facility, 4472 Old Friberg Rd, Wichita Falls TX 76306 (see attached map) geo coordinates for your GPS are:

GPS: N 33° 59.059' W 98° 28' 538'

Registration: Registration will be open from January 1st through April 6th, 2024 on 4-H Online. Events are open to any and all registered members of the Rolling Plains District 3 4-H Shooting Sports Programs. Enrollment must have been completed through 4-H Online prior to project participation.

Entry Fees: \$20.00 per shooter for rifle or pistol; \$25.00 for both rifle and pistol. (Includes noon lunch for the shooters, donations will be accepted for non-shooters)

Late Registration: April 7th - 14th Late fees are \$25.00 in addition to the original fee. **After this time, no more late registration will be accepted. You will NOT be able to register or pay the day of the contest for the District 4-H Contest.**

No Pass - No Play: Please note that the 4-H Shooting Sports are part of the state scholastic program and that the No Pass - No Play rule applies to competition events occurring during the school year.

Safety: All shooters and observers on or within 15 feet of the firing line must wear adequate individual eye and hearing protection. On the upper pistol range observers should bring a lawn chair and must be off the concrete pad to allow adequate space for the shooters and the range officers.

Schedule: Signs and maps will provide directions to the various locations.

Communication: COACHES: You will need to complete registration on Texas.4Honline.com to provide us with a cell phone number. This will allow a member of the event committee to provide any updates directly to coaches or to obtain info if needed from a coach, just prior or during the contest. There is no fee for this registration.

Coaches as you are departing for the range please call or text with the numbers of competitors in each classification. (Roger Kroes 940-632-9800)

Event Schedule

7:30 am	Check-In / Registration – <u>Coaches only</u> . Located in Shotgun Club House. Coaches, please have the 1st relay rifle shooters squadded and equipment prepositioned at the correct firing range before Orientation. (Location #1 - maps will be available at check in)
8:30 am	Orientation (Location #2) EVERYONE must attend
9:00 am	Senior Relay Rifle Shooting (Location #2)
9:00 am	1st Relay Junior Rifle (Location #3) continues till complete.
9:00 am	Intermediate Pistol (Location #4 – fired at 25 yds.)
10:30 am	Intermediate shooters only - Lunch (open buffet) provided by Northwest Texas Field & Stream Assoc. (Location #1)
11:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch (open buffet) provided by Northwest Texas Field & Stream Assoc. (Location #1)
11:00 am	Pistol finishes Junior Pistol Relay 1 (Location #4 – fired at 25 yds) Begins immediately after Intermediate Pistol finishes OR There is room on the Intermediate Relay for Juniors.
11:15 am	Intermediate Rifle Shooting (Location #2)
11:45 am	Junior Pistol Relay 2 (location #4– fired at 25 yds)
12:30 pm	Seniors Pistol (Location #2)
1:00 – 3:30 pm	Target Review and Challenges. (Location #1)
1:00 – 3:15 pm	After – the – competition shooting events for adults and youth to be held at Location #2 and or Location #4
4:30 pm	Awards (North side of Location #1)

The normal schedule is good for up to 48 Juniors, 35 Intermediates and 35 Seniors shooting Rifle. Numbers above those will cause changes such as adding a relay, alternate range locations or infiltrating

Intermediates into the Senior relay. Instructions will be provided when we receive registrations and know how many participants we have. **If possible, we will move up the pistol schedule depending on the number of participants.**

Match Officials:
Match Director – Roger Kroes
Senior Safety Officer – Roy Woodman
Rifle Officer Competition Range – Roy Woodman
Rifle Officer Youth Range – Brian Davis
Pistol Line Safety Officer – Bill Johnson
Stat Officer - Margaret Kroes
Asst. Stat Clerk – TBD
Asst. Stat Clerk - TBD
Judge – TBD

Awards

Rifle Ribbons

Ribbons will be given to the top three teams in each class and the top five individual shooters in each class.

Pistol Ribbons

Ribbons will be given to the top three teams in each class and the top five individual shooters in each class.

Trophy Buckles

Buckles will be given to the individual (Male and Female) with the highest aggregate score from District 3 for 3-P Rifle & Bullseye Pistol in the Senior Class.

District 3 Traveling Trophy

Awards Calculation:

The trophy will be awarded based on the highest aggregate score summing both the top three rifle and the top three pistol scores in each classification by county.

Awards Calculation:

Top County: The top county is determined by the summation of top three individuals in both Rifle and Pistol from each of the three age classifications.

Top Gun: The top Female and Male shooters are awarded a belt buckle bases and the summation of their Rifle and Pistol individual scores.

Teams: The top three Rifle and Pistol teams in each classification are awarded ribbons. Note: Only the top three shooters from each team are included in the team score.

Individual: The top five Individuals by classification and by gender are awarded ribbons.

Events & Rules:

50 FOOT 3-POSTION SMALLBORE RIFLE

Location: Juniors at **25 ft. Range** (Location #3)

Seniors & Intermediates at upper pistol range (Location #2)

Target: USA/NRA 50

Distance: 50 Feet

Course of Fire:

Senior Division: Grades 9 thru 12

Senior division course of fire is the standard course of fire for the Texas 4-H 3-position Smallbore Match at Roundup, Half Course; two targets 10 shots each for 20 shots total from each position, one shot per record bull, in the prone, standing and kneeling in that order. Note only one target will be posted at a time for each position. The top 3 teams and individuals qualify for Round-up.

Intermediate Division: Grades 6 thru 8

Full Quarter Course of fire, one target each 10 shots total, from each position, same as above.

Junior Division: Grades 3 thru 5

Two targets of 10 shots each in the prone position.

Any rules not specified in this Match Bulletin will be enforced per the applicable NRA rules. Sighters will be shot at regulation time. No separate sighting in period will be provided

Time Limits: Prone (1 min. per shot), Standing (2 min. per shot), and Kneeling (1 ½ min. per shot)

Equipment: Any safe .22 caliber rim-fire rifle chambered for the .22 long rifle cartridge and complying with the NRA 3.2 "any rifle" rule and equipped with metallic sights may be used. Rifle must be capable of being single loaded.

Clothing: Standard target shooting clothing and shooting shoes may be worn.

SMALLBORE PISTOL

(National Match Course - modified)

Location: Juniors at the 100 yard range (Location #4)
Intermediates at 100 yard range (Location #4)
Seniors at upper pistol range (Location #2)

Target: NRA B-8.

Distance: 25 yards for Seniors, Intermediates and Juniors

Course of Fire: Seniors and Intermediate
10 shots slow (10 minutes)
10 shots timed (2 rounds of 5 shots; 20 seconds each)
10 shots rapid (2 rounds of 5 shots; 10 seconds each)

Juniors
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10 shots timed (2 rounds of 5 shots; 20 seconds each)
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Positions:

Senior Division: Grades 9 and up
1 hand standing

Intermediate Division: Grades 6 thru 8
2 hand standing

Junior Division: Grades 3 thru 5
2 hands from sandbag (butt of gun on one or more sandbags) arms or elbows may not touch the table.

Equipment: Any smallbore pistol with a barrel no shorter than 4 inches, with a sight radius no greater than 10 inches and firing the .22 long rifle rim-fire cartridge. Metallic sights are the only sights allowed.

Any rules not specified in this Match Bulletin will be enforced per the applicable NRA rules.

Note: Each youth must have a handgun/ammo parental authorization in their possession at the firing line to participate in the pistol matches (see attachment 1). All youth will be checked on the line for this form. Failure to have the form will disqualify the competitor.

KNOWLEDGE OF THE MATCH: While we want full participation from all District Counties and many of our shooters are beginners, Range Safety is paramount. We are pressed for time in nearly all events and a formal competition is not an instructional training period. It is essential that all shooters understand the rules, the event procedures, and line commands and possess the basic skills in each discipline in which they are to shoot. We will require the rim-fire certification for all pistol shooters. A

copy of the form is attached. Pistol shooters must know the range commands, the course of fire that will be used, and are able to load their guns as well as clear a misfire without assistance. Please bring only shooters who will be able to fire the match safely. The range safety officers may disqualify any shooter that cannot safely manage their gun. They will assist junior shooters as required and will assist shooters in other classes at the discretion of the range officer.

Scoring: All Scoring will be done off of the line. The targets will be collected by the range officers and transported to the scoring facility. **Please note: Parents and Coaches if you need to record the target please take a picture of the target as it is critical the targets be turned into the scoring facility as soon as possible.**

In scoring USA 50 Rifle Targets an inward 22 caliber Plug Gauge will be used for all scoring rings, including the 10 point dot. The inward ring needs to only touch the scoring ring to score the higher value.

Tie Breakers: Refer to section 15 in the Texas Shooting Sports Project Pistol Rules (2014) at this link: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/>

Target Review: All shooters will have an opportunity to inspect their targets. Targets will be available for review from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Targets will be reviewed at location #1.

Challenges: If the shooter feels a target was scored improperly, a challenge fee of \$5.00 will be enforced in the 2024 contest. Training by NWTFS will be required for those scoring targets. Challenges are part of the target review process. Scoring of all targets may be reviewed by the **shooter only (juniors may have help)**. He or she may challenge the scoring if they feel it is incorrect for any reason. Shooters must have challenge money with them for a challenge. If the challenge is upheld, the score will be adjusted and the fee will be returned to the shooter. If it is denied the funds will be deposited in the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports General Fund. No fee is required to point out mathematical errors. **(Shooters are encouraged to bring their own calculator)**

Protests: Shooters **only** may protest any injustice, violation of the rules, or other circumstance that may have resulted in placing them at a disadvantage relative to other shooters. Such conditions **must** be reported to a line safety officer **immediately**. If satisfaction is not obtained, the situation should be reported immediately to the Official Calling the particular Match. If resolution is not reached at this point, the shooter **only** has the right to present a written protest with a \$20 protest fee to the Chief Match Director (event manager) within 1 hour of the time their squad has finished firing or score was posted. A Jury will investigate and reach final resolution of the matter as soon as possible, considering all events. Disposition of these fees is as above under challenges.

Fan Interference: Disruption by parents, coaches or other individuals will not be permitted. Sanctions ranging from a warning to ejection from the grounds or disqualification of an entire team or shooter will be imposed for interference with the operation of the match or disruption of the events on a firing line or field. Every effort will be made to keep these events fair, kid centered and positive.

Coaching: Coaching will not be permitted during the Pistol phase of the competition. Pistol competition does not allow any talking on the firing line during the match. Coaching includes any communication between the coach, parent or other spectator and the shooter, verbal or non-verbal.

The shooter may request assistance from a range officer and the range officer will work to resolve the problem for the shooter. Junior shooters may require more assistance and the coaches will be allowed to provide that assistance.

Coaching will be allowed in the Rifle events.

Coach Removal: The tournament management reserves the right to remove any coach from the firing line if his or her behavior is deemed detrimental or distracting to their own shooter or others. Coaches should remain positive and supportive, being careful not to disrupt other shooters. In the event that a coach is removed from the firing line, another coach may substitute for him/her at the discretion of the range officer.

Texas 4H Shooting Sports Project: For more information on the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Project please see the following link.

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/>

For more information contact:

Roger Kroes, District R & P Chief Match Director and Event Chairman.

Tel. #: 940-632-9800 Cell

Email: rogerkroes@sbcglobal.net

NWTF&S Range, 4472 Old Friberg Rd, Wichita Falls TX 76306

GPS: N 33° 58.885' W 98° 28' 569'

https://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&abauth=52b21f16cAbIEpphtWm4qvloIJCfPxJOfYw&authuser=0&q=4472+Old+Friberg+Rd,+Wichita+Falls+TX+76306+&vps=1&num=10

Range Directions: The NWTF&S Shooting Range is located just east of Sheppard AFB. To reach the range exit I-44 at any of the marked Municipal Airport or Sheppard AFB exits. Follow signs toward the Municipal Airport. At the left turn to enter the Municipal Airport continue on FM 171 to Emmert Road (approximately 2 miles) and turn left on Emmert Road (there is a green state HW sign indicating left to NWTF&S Range). Proceed west on Emmert Road about 1 mile and turn right (the only way you can go). The range is just over the hill on the right. Report to the main Gun Club building which will be the first building on the left after entering the gate.



Please complete the following forms for each participant. We will review them during check in.

Attachment 1

Must have in your possession at the firing line to participate in the pistol matches.

Handgun Authorization

I _____ parent/legal guardian of _____, a juvenile under the age of 18, do consent and give permission to my said child to possess and use a handgun and ammunition in his/her course of marksmanship training session, practice session, or competition, said permission for a handgun and ammunition as defined by The Gun Control Act of 1968 (18 USC Ch 44).

This permission shall remain in effect and in force until canceled in writing and served on any party having relied on this permission at their normal place of business.

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(Date)

Attachment 2

Northwest Texas Field and Stream Association

Activity or Event

Shooting Sports (Rifle and Pistol)

Participant's Name

I understand that participation in the above Activity or Event may be hazardous for the above-named participant.

In signing below, I assume risk of harm or injury which may occur to the participant as a result of participating in the above-named event or activity. I hereby release the NWTF&S Association, 4-H and its officers, employees, or agents from any liability, costs and damages resulting this individual's participation.

If the participant is a minor:

I agree that the minor has my consent to participate in the event or activity.

I also give my consent for the NWTF&S Association to seek emergency treatment for the minor if necessary, and I agree to accept financial responsibility for the costs related to this emergency treatment.

This agreement will be in effect from _____ to _____.

_____/_____/_____ _____/_____/_____

Participant's signature / Date Parents signature / Date

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2023-2024 TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

DISTRICT 3 4-H RIFLE & PISTOL SHOOT

CAMP & ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

WAIVER, INDEMNIFICATION, AND MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM

1. EXCULPATORY CLAUSE. In consideration for receiving permission to participate in any and all activities of Texas 4-H (“activity”), which is sponsored by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Texas 4-H Youth Development Program, (“sponsor”), a member of The Texas A&M University System, I hereby release, waive, covenant not to sue, and agree to hold harmless for any and all purposes sponsor, The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents for The Texas A&M University System, and their members, officers, agents, volunteers, or employees (“RELEASEES” or “INDEMNITEES”) from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, injuries (including death), or damages, including court costs and attorney’s fees and expenses, that may be sustained by me while participating in this activity, while traveling to and from the activity, or while on the premises owned, leased, or controlled by RELEASEES, **including injuries sustained as a result of the sole, joint, or concurrent negligence, gross negligence, negligence per se, statutory fault, intentional torts, or strict liability of RELEASEES.**
2. INDEMNITY CLAUSE. I am fully aware that there are inherent risks to myself and others involved with this activity, including but not limited to all events and activities, and I choose to voluntarily participate in this activity with full knowledge that the activity may be hazardous to me and my property, and to the person and property of others. I acknowledge there may be physically strenuous activities. I know of no medical reason why I should not participate. **I agree to indemnify and hold harmless INDEMNITEES** from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, injuries (including death), or damages, including court costs and attorney’s fees and expenses, which may occur to myself, other participants, and third-persons as a result of my participation and conduct in this activity, **including injuries sustained as a result of the sole, joint, or concurrent negligence, gross negligence, negligence per se, statutory fault, intentional torts, or strict liability of INDEMNITEES.**
3. COVID-19. I expressly acknowledge the health risks and dangers associated with the transmission of the COVID-19 virus, and other communicable diseases, and recognize that exposure to the COVID-19 virus, or other communicable diseases, could occur while my child is in the care of sponsor. As such, and as additional consideration for participation in the activity, I understand the waiver and indemnity provisions in paragraphs (1) and (2) above apply to the possibility of COVID-19 community spread. I certify that prior to leaving my child in the care of the sponsor that my child: (a) has not been diagnosed or is suspected to have COVID 19, (b) does not have any of the coronavirus symptoms listed on the CDC’s Symptoms of Coronavirus page, (c) has not in the past 14 days had close contact (less than six feet) with a person who has a lab-confirmed case of COVID-19, (d) has not in the past 14 days had close (less than six feet) contact with a person who is awaiting results of a COVID-19 test because of COVID-19 symptoms or exposure, or (e) in the past 14 days has not returned from international travel or traveled through an area with state or local restrictions that mandate quarantine upon arrival home. I also certify that each time I leave my child in the care of the sponsor, I have conducted a daily assessment on my child and that he/she is not exhibiting any of the above signs or symptoms of, or exposure to, COVID-19.
4. NO INSURANCE. I understand that RELEASEES do not maintain any insurance policy covering any circumstance arising from my participation in this activity or any event related to that participation. As such, I am aware that I should review my personal insurance coverage. Sponsor does not carry general liability insurance to cover claims arising from this activity so it seeks a waiver of claims as additional consideration for the right to participate so sponsor, a governmental unit of the State of Texas, can (a) provide the activity at the lowest possible cost to participants; and (b) provide access to a greater number of participants by expending limited resources on program materials rather than on liability insurance.
5. BINDS HEIRS. It is my express intent that this agreement shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representatives, if I am deceased, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.
6. MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION, INDEMNITY FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES, and WAIVER. I understand RELEASEES cannot be expected to control all of the risks associated with this activity and RELEASEES may need to respond to accidents and potential emergency situations. Therefore, I hereby give my consent for any medical treatment that may be required, as determined by a medical professional at the medical facility, during my participation in this activity with the understanding that the cost of any such treatment will be my responsibility. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless INDEMNITEES for any costs incurred to treat me, even if an INDEMNITEE has signed hospital documentation promising to pay for the treatment due to my inability to sign the documentation. I further agree to release, waive, covenant not to sue, and agree to hold harmless for any and all purposes, RELEASEES from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, injuries (including death), or damages, including court costs and attorney’s fees and expenses, that may be sustained by me while receiving medical care or in deciding to seek medical care, including while traveling to and from a medical care facility, **including injuries sustained as a result of the sole, joint, or concurrent negligence, negligence per se, gross negligence, statutory fault, intentional torts, or strict liability of RELEASEES.**

7. **NO STRICT RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.** In the event of a dispute over the meaning or application of this agreement, it shall be construed fairly and reasonably and neither more strongly for nor against either party.
8. **VOLUNTARY SIGNATURE.** In signing this agreement I acknowledge and represent that I have read it, understand it, and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; sponsor has not made and I have not relied on any oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the terms contained in this agreement. I execute this document for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by the same, now and in the future. **For youth engaging in extracurricular activities:** I understand I can choose not to sign this document and free myself from its terms and the associated risks of the activity by simply not participating in the activity and choosing some other activity available to me that has a lower level of risk to me. I further understand this is a voluntary, extracurricular activity.

**SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT INVOLVES THE WAIVER OF VALUABLE LEGAL RIGHTS.
CONSULT YOUR ATTORNEY BEFORE SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT.**

SIGNED this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Participant Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Participant's Date of Birth: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature:
(If participant is under 18 years old) _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Printed Name:
(If participant is under 18 years old) _____

**In case of emergency, contact
at the following number** _____

If the participant has medical insurance, please indicate:
Insurance Company: _____
Policy Number: _____
Name of Primary Policy Holder: _____

Please list any special services your child may require: _____

As a parent or guardian of the child named above I understand that the information requested on this form is intended to help inform staff of any pre-existing medical conditions. You as the parent or guardian, are accountable for providing an accurate medical history. If your child has a pre-existing medical condition, participation in any strenuous activities or recreational time may not be recommended. Final determination about whether or not the child named above should participate in any activities is the responsibility of you and your child's physician. I understand and acknowledge that my failure to disclose relevant information may result in harm to my child and/or others during this camp/program. By signing my name I represent and warrant that I have provided all relevant information regarding pre-existing medical conditions and that it is accurate and complete. I agree to notify the organizers of the camp/program for which my child is participating in of any changes in my child's medical conditions prior to or during the camp/program.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____