Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports

The shooting sports season is fast approaching for 2025 – 2026. To be eligible to enroll in 4-H Shooting the 4-H member must be **9 years old by October 1**st of **2025**. To enroll in 4-H, please go to this site, https://www.montana.edu/extension/gallatin/4hnew.html.

The following items must be completed and submitted to the discipline leaders before the participant may shoot.

- 1. Shooting Sports Fee \$40.00/discipline.
 - a. Payment is due upon registering in **ZSuite**
- 2. The following forms must be completed and signed by the shooter <u>and</u> the parent or guardian of the shooter. Complete these forms via <u>DocuSign</u>:
 - a. Medical Form
 - b. Informed Consent Form

There will be mandatory parent meetings for each shooting sports discipline. Please see the schedule for location and time for each discipline.

<u>Archery</u> will be held at Big Sky Archery; 77 Laura Louise Lane located at the intersection of Baxter Lane and Jackrabbit Lane on Sundays from 1:00 – 5:00 pm. The archery season will start on Sunday, December 7, 2025. The number of archery shooters will be capped at 96. We will then establish a waiting list. For more information contact Randy Radke 406-539-4903. We need adult leaders to run the project. Please consider this opportunity to work with our 4-H youth.

<u>Air Rifle and Air Pistol</u> - The venue for air rifle and air pistol is located at 123 Doe Road in Belgrade. The season will begin on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, with a mandatory safety and organizational meeting at 6:00pm. For more information contact Lee Nelson – 579-0612.

<u>Smallbore Rifle</u> will start at Greenway Range on Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00 – 6:30 and Monday, December 8, 2025, from 5:00 – 6:30. The day for shooting will be selected by the shooters and parents during the county-wide parent meeting. Greenway range is located at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds, 901 North Black in Bozeman. Shooters must be **10 years of age** by October 1, 2025, to participate. The number of smallbore shooters will be capped at **25**. The returning shooters will be given priority. It is a pre-requisite that the shooters have 1 year of Shooting Sports Experience. We will then establish a waiting list. For more information contact Scott Francis – 581-6845 or Tom Everett – 570-8878.

<u>Shotgun</u> will start on Sunday, January 4, 2026, at 1:00 pm at Manhattan Wildlife Association Trap Range located at 337 Logan Trident Road in Logan. There will be a mandatory parent and safety meeting prior to shooting. All shooters need to attend. It is strongly recommended that the participant be **10 years of age**. For more information contact Scott Francis – 581-6845.

The <u>Muzzle-loading Project</u> will be determined later in the shooting season. The Hunting & Wildlife Project will be determined later in the year. Please check the newsletter for days and times. It is recommended but not required that the participants be **12 years of age** and have been in Hunter's Education. Contact Scott Francis – 581-6845 for more information.

Be sure to get registered early in the registration process!!!!!!

Thank You to our Sponsors!

Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports is very fortunate to have the support of many individuals and conservation organizations. We are very fortunate to be recipients of a Friends of NRA Grant for this shooting season of 2025 - 2026. We will be able to purchase and obtain the needed targets, ammunition, and equipment to serve our programs. Big Sky Archery, Bozeman Rifle Club, Manhattan Wildlife Association, Southwest Montana Chapter of SCI, The MeatEater – Steven Rinella, and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation have been a tremendous supporter to 4-H Shooting Sports. Gallatin County 4-H Air-gun Program would like to sincerely thank the following sponsors of one month's rent for our venue; Mike Swan – Swan Land Company, R Davidson Masonry, Murdoch's, Joe Miller – Monarch Heating and Cooling, 3 Brothers Plumbing and Heating, Rex Kleinsasser – Air Controls, Delta Waterfowl, and Southwest Montana Chapter SCI. They embrace the opportunity to help with youth shooting and provide the venue to offer the various shooting disciplines. Thank you to these sponsors. Without their dedication to youth shooting, our shooting sports program could not do what we do for the members of Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports.







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Volunteers needed:

Gallatin County 4-H Shooting Sports is in desperate need of adults to become certified leaders in the different disciplines that are offered in 4-H Shooting. We need assistance in all shooting disciplines. For us to provide a safe and educational experience, we need your help. Please consider becoming a leader. More information on leader trainings will be made available as it is received. Please plan to attend. For more information, please contact Scott Francis – 406-581-6845.

Questions: Contact the following leaders
Archery – Randy Radke – 406-539-4903
Air Rifle/Pistol – Lee Nelson – 406-579-0612
Smallbore – Tom Everett – 406-570-8878, Scott Francis – 406-581-6845
Shotgun, Muzzle-loading, Hunting & Wildlife – Scott Francis – 406-581-6845
Western Heritage – TBD

Archery - Big Sky Archery - Sundays

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time</u>
12/7/2025	Shooting	1:00-5:00
12/14/2025	Shooting	1:00-5:00
12/21/2025	Shooting	1:00-5:00
12/28/2025	Shooting	1:00-5:00
1/4/2026	Shooting	1:00-5:00
1/11/2026	Shooting	1:00-5:00
1/18/2026	Shooting	1:00-5:00
1/25/2026	Shooting	1:00-5:00
2/1/2026	Shooting	1:00-5:00
2/8/2026	Shooting	1:00-5:00
2/15/2026	Fair Shoot	1:00-5:00
2/22/2026	Fair Shoot	1:00-5:00
3/1/2026	Fair Shoot	1:00-5:00
3/6-3/8/2026	State Shoot	TBD
3/15/2026	Awards and Fun Shoot	TBD

Air Rifle/Air Pistol - Gallatin Valley Sharpshooters - Wednesdays

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time</u>
12/3/2025	Safety and Organizational Meeting	6:00-8:00
12/10/2025	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
12/17/2025	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
1/7/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
1/14/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
1/21/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
1/28/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
2/4/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
2/11/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
2/18/2026	Shooting	6:00 -8:00
2/25/2026	Fair Shoot	6:00-8:00
3/4/2026	Fair Shoot	6:00-8:00
3/6-3/8/2026	State Match	TBD

Smallbore - Greenway Range - Mondays

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12/8/2025	Organizational Meeting	5:00 - 6:30	
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1/26/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30	1
2/2/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30]
2/9/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30	1
2/16/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30]
2/23/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30	1
3/2/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30]
3/7/2026	State Match	8:00 - 4:00	

Schedule subject to change due to number of shooters

Smallbore - Greenway Range - Fridays

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time</u>
12/8/2025	Organizational Meeting	5:00 - 6:30
12/12/2025	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
1/2/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
1/9/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
1/16/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
1/23/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
1/30/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
2/6/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
2/13/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
2/20/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
2/27/2026	Shooting	5:00 - 6:30
3/7/2026	State Match	8:00 - 4:00

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Shotgun - Manhattan Wildlife Association - Logan - Sundays

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time</u>
1/4/2026	Safety Meeting & Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
1/11/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
1/18/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
1/25/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
2/1/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
2/8/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
2/15/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
2/22/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
3/1/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
3/8/2026	Trap Shooting & State Shoot	1:00-3:00
3/15/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
3/22/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
3/29/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
4/5/2026	No Shooting - Easter	1:00-3:00
4/12/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
4/19/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
4/26/2026	Trap Shooting	1:00-3:00
	Skeet & Sporting Clays TBD	
	Competitions TBD	

Muzzle-Loading and Hunting Skills Project - TBD

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<u>Date</u>	Program	<u>Time</u>
	TBD	
	Schedule subject to change	

Gallatin County 4-H Western Heritage 2026

Monday – April 13, 2026 – 2 bays, 5:30 – 8:30

Monday - April 27, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - May 4, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - May 11, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - May 18, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday – June 1, 2026 – 2 bays, 5:30 – 8:30

Monday – June 8, 2026 – 2 bays, 5:30 – 8:30

Monday – June 15, 2026 – 2 bays, 5:30 – 8:30

Monday - June 22, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - June 29, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - July 6, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - July 13, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

Monday - July 20, 2026 - 2 bays, 5:30 - 8:30

National Shoot - Columbia, Missouri - TBD

State Shoot – Simms, Montana - TBD