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Air Rifle and Air Pistol Results from County Fair Shoots

Twenty-seven Morgan County 4-H members gathered for their County Fair air rifle and air pistol shoot on July 14, at the Morgan County Fairgrounds Multi-purpose Building. Individual champions and place finishers were determined in all air rifle and air pistol shooting disciplines. The shoot also determined who the county representatives would be at the Colorado State 4-H Shooting Championships in August in Pueblo.

Participants were grouped as juniors (ages 8-13) and seniors (ages 14-18). A total of four different air rifle shooting classes were available at both the junior and senior levels. A single contest was held in air pistol shooting. The top six participants in each class will comprise the Morgan County team in that class at the state shoot. Should a participant elect to not participate in the state event, the next highest scoring shooter will be asked to join the team in that discipline.

Top finishers in junior 3 Position were; 1) Saxson Keller, 2) Kaine Eicher, 3) Bentley Larrick, 4) Eli Williams, 5) Erica Hess, and 6) Gavyn Larrick. Danica Bledsoe, Jacob Clark, Fowler Farnam, and Jaxson Stevens also competed for the juniors. Senior 3 Position International finishers were; 1) Soul Keller, 2) Rylee Stevens, 3) Sateen Keller, 4) Chad Schilling, 5) Shylynn Larrick, and 6) Arisa Eicher.

Junior 4 Position Sporter winners were; 1) Saxson Keller, 2) Kaine Eicher, 3) Jaelyn Olivere, 4) Eli Williams 5) Jaxson Stevens, and 6) Gavyn Larrick. Also competing for the juniors was Danica Bledsoe, Jacob Clark, Fowler Farnam, Waylon Hannan, Erica Hess, and Bentley Larrick. Senior 4 Position Sporter finishers were; 1) Rylee Stevens, 2) Sateen Keller, 3) Tate Oliver, 4) Shylynn Larrick, 5) Chad Schilling, and 6) Elizabeth Whitney. Also competing for the seniors was Arisa Eicher, Wyatt Gorrell, and Soul Keller.

Olympic Offhand junior champions were; 1) Kaine Eicher, 2) Saxson Keller, 3) Eli Williams, 4) Fowler Farnam, 5) Jaxson Stevens, and 6) Bentley Larrick. Danica Bledsoe also competed for the juniors. Olympic Offhand senior champions were; 1) Sateen Keller, 2) Rylee Stevens, 3) Soul Keller, 4) Chad Schilling, 5) Arisa Eicher, and 6) Shylynn Larrick. Wyatt Gorrell also competed in the Olympic offhand class.

Air Rifle Utility Class junior winners were; 1) Saxson Keller, 2) Kaine Eicher, 3) Jaelyn Olivere, 4) Erica Hess, 5) Bentley Larrick, and 6) Zeke Amen. Danica Bledsoe, Jacob Clark, Fowler Farnam, Hattie Hannan, Gabriel Higgins, Gavyn Larrick, Delaynie Piper, Jaxson Stevens, Seth Whitney, Averie Williams and Eli Williams also shot at the junior level. Senior Air Rifle Utility champions were; 1) Soul Keller, 2) Chad Schilling, 3) Rylee Stevens, 4) Shylynn Larrick, 5) Arisa Eicher, and 6) Wyatt Gorrell. Elijah Butler also competed in utility for the seniors.

An air pistol shoot was held in conjunction with the air rifle contest, junior winners were; 1) Kaine Eicher, 2) Raylan Neal, 3) Eli Williams, 4) Jerod Sandeen, 5) Hattie Hannan, and 6) Gabriel Higgins. Fowler Farnam, Liam Higgins, Bentley Larrick, Gavyn Larrick, and Averie Williams also competed

with the juniors. Senior air pistol champions were 1) Wiley Eicher 2) Chad Schilling, 3) Arisa Eicher, 4) Rylan Schreiner, 5) Shylynn Larrick and 6) Rylee Stevens. Tate Oliver also competed in this division.

4-H Air Rifle coaches are DJ Eicher, Alison Gorrell, Stephaine Johnson, Janet Larrick, Justin Lowe, and Danielle and Jeremy Williams. 4-H Air Pistol Coaches are DJ Eicher, Alison Gorrell, Andy Larrick, and Danielle and Jeremy Williams. These coaches are volunteers through Morgan County 4-H, and dedicate many hours to teaching the youth that are involved in Morgan County 4-H Shooting Sports. Andy and Janet Larrick are the scoring superintendents.

More information regarding involvement of youth in air rifle and air pistol may be obtained by contacting the Morgan County Extension Office at (970)542-3540.

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Cutline for pictures:

Air Rifle and Air Pistol Members: Morgan County junior and Senior 4-H Air Rifle and Air Pistol shooting sports members and coaches prior to beginning the 2024 Morgan County Fair Shoot.

Air Pistol: Member competing during the 2024 Morgan County Fair Shoot.

Air Rifle Members: Members competing during the 2024 Morgan County Fair Shoot.

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