
BB Gun Project



All beginning (new to the club) rifle and pistol shooters start out by learning safe gun handling skills in our BB Gun program. We utilize the Daisy Shooting Education 10-Lesson Guide. Our youth use a Daisy Model 499B Competition BB gun to practice the safety skills learned, as well as learn and hone marksmanship skills. This platform lays a strong foundation for youth to move into other disciplines such as air rifle and smallbore rifle. Many of our youth go on to participate in competitive shooting.

In competitive BB Gun shooting, shooters compete individually by age as well as in teams composed of five members and two alternates. In competition, shooters are scored not only on their shooting ability, but are also tested on their gun safety knowledge and rules of competitive shooting. Shooters compete in four separate positions: prone, standing, sitting, and kneeling. Each shooting position and the written test are weighted equally, each worth 100 points for a total possible score of 500. Montgomery County 4-H Shooting Sports members typically compete in two to three matches per year. The BB Gun competitive age range is 8 years to 15 years (cannot turn 16 years old before National match in July).

Montgomery County 4-H Shooting Sports (MC4HSS) members have excelled in the discipline of BB Gun over the past several years, winning numerous individual and team awards at the local, state, and national level. MC4HSS has sent teams to the Daisy National BB Gun Championship Match in five out of the last six years. This is an invitational match, meaning a team cannot compete unless they earn an invitation by placing in the top 3 teams at a state match. In 2018, the MC4HSS team placed 19th (out of 56 teams) at the Daisy National BB Gun Championship Match. In the 2020 Texas State BB Gun Championship Match, MC4HSS placed 2nd (out of 11 teams), earning an invitation to attend the Daisy National Match over the summer.

Over the years, the club has also had several members who started out in the BB gun project go on to compete in Collegiate Shooting Sports rifle programs at NCAA schools.

