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Dear 4-H Archery Members and Families

We are excited for the 2021 4-H Archery Season. Please read the enclosed materials carefully.

Options for 2021 4-H Archery

Youth have 2 options to participate safely in 4-H Archery this year. Please choose the one that works best for you.

Option 1: In-Person Archery

In-person archery will meet as usual with the following changes:

1. Youth will sign up for a 30 minute time slot on Mondays and/or Thursdays starting January 25. Times will begin at 4:00.
2. We will follow Barron County and CDC guidelines, as well as UW Madison Division of Extension policies and guidelines.
3. In-person archery is subject to cancellation at any time.
4. A Covid Card will need to be completed each week
5. Masks must be worn at all times
6. Masks/hand sanitizer will be provided if needed.
7. Additional information can be found in the packet

Option 2: At Home Archery

Non-beginners have the option of at-home archery and will need to complete:

1. Project (paper, poster, powerpoint/slides presentation, video, etc.) about specific topics related to Archery
2. Proof of shooting practice

Registration:

- ALL archery members MUST register by January 18 (in-person and at-home)
- Registration information will be posted online at <https://barron.extension.wisc.edu/4hyd/projects/shooting-sports/> and emailed via 4-H Online at 6PM on Monday, January 11.

Additional Information:

1. Fees will be waived for the 2021 Archery Season
2. Please thoroughly review the attached information before making a decision

Questions?

Please contact Staci Rae questions, Archery Leader or Sara Waldron, Barron County 4-H Educator (sara.waldron@wisc.edu)

Enclosed Information:

2021 Schedule: Training dates, locations and times
Shooting Sports Guidelines and Expectations
Range Instructions/Range Commands
Virtual/Home Guidelines
Addendum
Scorecard

2021 Barron County 4-H Archery Project Information

Training Dates, Locations, and Times

The Rice Lake Seventh Day Adventist Church (1779 20 1/2 Street, Rice Lake) will serve as our training center. All sessions will be held at the Church Gym on MONDAY and THURSDAY nights from 4-8p.m.

MONDAYS

JANUARY 25

FEBRUARY 1

FEBRUARY 8

FEBRUARY 1

FEBRUARY 22

MARCH 1

MARCH 8

MARCH 15

MARCH 22 -FAIR SHOOT

MARCH 29 - FAIR SHOOT (delay)

THURSDAYS

JANUARY 28

FEBRUARY 4

FEBRUARY 11

FEBRUARY 18

FEBRUARY 25

MARCH 4

MARCH 11

MARCH 18

MARCH 25 - FAIR SHOOT

APRIL 1 - FAIR SHOOT (delay)

In order for all participants to have enough shooting time, we are asking you to sign up and commit to a designated 30 minute time slot. Virtual option available for returning members.

Project members must participate in a minimum of five training sessions to be eligible for competing at fair shoots. Fair shoots may be done prior to the listed Fair Shoot dates if needed. (Exception may be made for extenuating circumstances.)

FAIR SHOOTS

Indoor Shoot - Seventh Day Adventist Church Monday, March 22 or Thursday, March 25

Alternate Date Monday, March 29 or Thursday, April 1

Outdoor Shoot - Brill Area Sportsmen's Club TBA

Project Fee WAIVED

PARENTS

RESTRICTED OBSERVATION TIME AND AREA

CANCELLATION

In the event of bad weather, or any other reason, notice will be sent via TEXT, EMAIL or SOCIAL MEDIA BY 4:00PM.

For questions and concerns contact : STACI RAE - 715-419-2718

Shooting Sports Guidelines and Expectations In-Person Archery

We here at the 4-H Shooting Sports program believe our youth could teach and build self-esteem while safely and effectively shooting at a given target using proper techniques for archery and complete a fair entry.

- **PICK UP AND DROP OFF**

- Drop off will be at the front door.
- Pick up will be at the end of awning or parking space.
- Make sure your child has a mask.
- When entering the door your child will need to sanitize.
- Please make sure that you arrive early to pick-up your youth as they cannot wait indoors
- Parents will need to wait outside/in their vehicles unless pre-approved.
- Addendum provided at end of document, 4-H COVID information can be found: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-faqs-related-to-covid-19/>

- Staging area :
- Room 1 - Check in / out
- Area 1- Owned Equipment (Will NOT need to borrow ANY equipment)
- Area 2- Project Equipment (ANY borrowed equipment)
- Area 3 Shooting Range
- Area 4 Exiting Range

- **Room 1 Check in / out (will be clearly labeled)**

- Fill out COVID card
- Turn in any other paperwork
- Sign in
- Sanitize / mask on

- **Area 1: Owned Equipment:**

- In this area your child will put all personal items and equipment. I.E hats, coats, bags.
- In this area prepare your shooting equipment. I.E Bow, arrows, quiver, release.
- Mask is on and social distance rules apply

- **Area 2: Need Equipment:**

- Stay in the area, maintain social distance.
- A leader will help you get set up and fitted
- Mask is on and social distance rules apply

- **Area 3 Shooting Range:**

- Mask is on
- Social distance rules apply
- Find your yard line.
- Hang / pull your target when given the instruction
- Wait for commands
 - When removing target all used nails in a USED label container, Target MUST go home with you.

- **End of shooting session:**

- End of session collect your personal belongings,
- Sanitize
- Exit at the proper door.

****Plans will be adjusted accordingly per recommendation from BARRON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH and UW MADISON. Project cancelations can be found over the local radio by 4pm, OR by a text/email.****

*****Parents need to remain outside/in vehicles. If this is a problem, please contact Sara Waldron - sara.waldron@wisc.edu or 715-537-6253.***

EXPECTATIONS AND RANGE PROCEDURES

- Remember that we are guests at the training center. Please make sure:
 - The space must remain clean
 - **Do not throw targets away at the church** – take them home with you!
 - You express your appreciation for the use of the facility
 - Sign in/complete COVID card upon arrival at the training center, follow signs to directed areas.
 - Bows brought to the training center must be cased and remain cased until the range has been “set up” for shooting. Bow cases should be kept out of the way of doors, bathrooms, etc.
 - Individual signed up for the 8:00 time-slot need to help put away equipment
 - Follow additional COVID-19 regulations and guidelines.
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IMPORTANT NOTES

- Any time anyone calls **CEASE FIRE**, shooting must absolutely **STOP** immediately because something has become unsafe. Any time anyone sees something that may be unsafe that person must call **CEASE FIRE!**
 - Arrows must always point down range when nocking and drawing.
 - Never cross in front of the firing line for any reason until you hear the commands: “The line is closed - you may inspect your targets.” Never attempt to retrieve an arrow or equipment dropped in front of the line.
 - Goofing off will not be tolerated. First offense will get you one reminder; a repeat offence will result in loss of the privilege of shooting for the remainder of that session. A parent or guardian will need to accompany you to the next session.
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BOW DRAW-WEIGHT LIMITATIONS

- The backstop material has a limited capacity to stop arrows shot from higher poundage bows. In order to limit damage to the facility, **no bow will exceed a draw-weight of 50 lbs.**
 - Bows with a draw-weight so great that the shooter must struggle with the draw or hold pose a danger to the shooter and to others and will not be allowed.
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AGE GROUPS, SHOOTING DISTANCE, SHOOTING CATEGORIES

Participants must be enrolled in regular 4-H (3rd grade and older). The participant may select one of three shooting categories (may only compete in one category)

- Ages 15-19: **Senior** - 20 yards
- Ages 12-14: **Intermediate** - 15 yards
- Ages 10,11: **Juniors** - 10 yards
- Ages 8,9: **Beginners** - 10 yards
- **Barebow**: No sights, mechanical release, or stabilizers.
- **Limited Freestyle**: use or release OR sights
- **Unlimited Freestyle**: sights and releases

RANGE COMMANDS

COMMAND: “**SHOOTERS TO THE LINE**”

Shooters will bring bows and arrows to the shooting line, positioning themselves in front of the target they have hung. If there is a high and low target hung, shooters shooting at high targets will be asked to approach the line first. **DO NOT NOCK AN ARROW UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO!**

QUESTION: “**IS THE FIRING LINE READY?**”

If you have a problem say NO! or NOT READY! and raise your hand. Your instructor will be watching from either in front of or behind the shooting line and will respond.

- 1st Repeat of Question: “**The Line is Ready?**” If you have a problem say NO! or NOT READY! And raise your hand.
- 2nd Repeat of Question: “**Ready on the right?**”
- 3rd Repeat of Question: “**Ready on the left?**”

If there is not a NO! or NOT READY! response and if your instructor sees no problem, your instructor will confirm the line is ready.

CONFIRMATION: “**READY ON THE FIRING LINE.**”

(REMEMBER, DO NOT NOCK AN ARROW UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO!)

COMMAND: “**NOCK AN ARROW AND COMMENCE FIRING**”

You may now nock, draw, and shoot your first arrow. You will then continue to shoot the remaining 4 arrows at your own command to complete the end of five arrows. When you have completed an end with the shooting of **five arrows**, retreat back from the firing line to allow others to begin shooting or to wait for others to finish.

QUESTION: “**IS ANY MORE TIME NEEDED?**” If yes, say YES!

COMMAND: “**CEASE FIRE - THE LINE IS CLOSED.**”

COMMAND: “**YOU MAY INSPECT YOUR TARGET AND RETRIEVE YOUR ARROWS.**”

WALK to within 3 steps of the targets and stop. If some targets are hung high and some targets are hung low, the shooters with the high-hung targets will pull their arrows first and return to the firing line. The shooters of the low-hung targets will then advance and pull their arrows. **Don't get poked in the eye by an arrow!**

Reminder: Any time anyone calls “**CEASE FIRE,**” shooting must absolutely **STOP** immediately because something has become unsafe. Any time anyone sees something that may be unsafe that person must call **CEASE FIRE!**

CHECKLIST FOR PARTICIPANTS

Before Coming:

- Read through the archery project information and identify any questions you may have.**
 - Project instructors will discuss and answer questions concerning rules, procedures, commands, safety, techniques, equipment, etc. with participants and parents.
- Review and become familiar with range safety commands and in-person expectations**
- If using your own equipment, inspect it for damage**
 - If you have any questions or concerns about your own equipment, speak to an instructor *before* shooting. Damaged equipment will not be allowed.

What to Bring:

- Understanding**
 - We are trying our best to provide an opportunity for our youth, things might change and we will work together to make this a good experience.
- Bows, arrows, releases, etc. that you plan to use**
 - If you have questions about your equipment, please ask an instructor.
 - Shooters may use compound or recurve bows. Most will use compound.
 - Cross bows may not be used at indoor training centers or the indoor or outdoor fair shoots. A separate outdoor cross bow event will be held for interested participants.
 - Each shooter should have 5-6 arrows fitted with **target or field tips** only.
 - Damaged or unsafe equipment will not be allowed. Inspect your equipment.
 - **Participants are not required to have their own equipment.** If you do not have your own equipment ask an instructor to help fit you with a county bow.

What to Expect the First Night:

- Brief orientation time for new shooters with an instructor, individually or in small groups**
 - An instructor will go over rules, range commands, safety, and procedures with new shooters.
 - An instructor will demonstrate safe shooting stance and techniques with new shooters.
- Shooting**
 - Depending on age and abilities, first year members may begin shooting the first night at a closer distance before moving to the distance they will be shooting for the fair shoot.
 - Continuing members will spend most of the time shooting and adjusting sights.
- Fun!**

VIRTUAL / HOME

At-Home Participation Expectations:

Due to COVID-19, an at-home option will be offered for non-beginners. Here are the guidelines for at-home:

Shooting at home:

Expectations: You should practice Barron County 4-H Archery [Expectations and Range Procedures document](#)

Please log and submit proof of a minimum of 5 sessions of shooting practice.

- a. Develop a date/time log of shooting practice, this should be signed off by an adult
- b. Submit a photo of the scorecards
- c. Submit a photo of the target used for practice
- d. Submit Project
- e. Fair Shoot (you cannot score your own child's fair shoot, you will need to schedule an individual time for this. We will work this out as it gets closer to ensure safety).

In addition to proof of shooting practice, At-Home participants need to complete the following:

Project Completion

Members will write a short essay / poster / Video / Powerpoint (or Slides) covering the following:

- Range commands
 - Identify and explain the range commands for Archery (in your own words)
- Range safety
 - Identify a minimum of six safety procedures you must follow when participating in archery activities.
 - Explain why each of these safety procedures is important.
- Shooting techniques
 - List and define shooting techniques used in archery (style of bow, fingers and release, anchor points)
- Scoring
 - Demonstrate/Explain how scoring works
- Bow style
 - Identify and explain the types of Bow Style

While there are no specific requirements for length, your submission MUST be thorough, or you will be asked to re-submit.

Completed Documentation can be submitted via box: <https://bit.ly/barronarchery21>

Deadline: March 5

More info will be sent about scheduling fair shoot times.



How does COVID-19 spread?

The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person including:

- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within 6 feet).
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly breathed into the lungs. A person could also touch a surface or object with the virus on it and then touch their own mouth, nose, or eyes.
- COVID-19 may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms.

Daily Symptom Check¹:

Anyone who answers “yes” to any of the screening questions will not be allowed to participate in the program and should seek medical advice.

- i. Have you been in close contact with someone with a confirmed case of COVID-19?
- ii. Have you had a fever (≥ 100.4 F) or felt feverish in the last 48 hours?
- iii. Are you experiencing any respiratory symptoms including congestion, runny nose, sore throat, cough, or shortness of breath?
- iv. Are you experiencing any new muscle aches or chills?
- v. Have you experienced any new change in your sense of taste or smell?

Practices to protect yourself and others

- Maintain social (physical) distance of at least 6 feet. This is very important in preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- Wash your hands often.
- Wear a cloth face cover. A cloth face cover is meant to protect other people in case you are infected.
- Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- If experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or had known contact with anyone with COVID-19, self isolate for 14 days.

¹ Questions from [DHS Recommendations for Screening](#)

Barron County 4-H Archery Scorecard

Name

Date

Club

Yard

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1

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5

Sub

Total