

MADISON COUNTY 4-H ARCHERY

PROJECT S.A.F.E. (Shooting Awareness Fun Education)



THE ARCHERY PROGRAM

Madison County 4-H offers an Archery Program that includes archery practices and fundamental training. This is a Project S.A.F.E., Shooting Awareness, Fun and Education, event. ANY YOUTH, 4TH – 12TH GRADES, MAY JOIN. There are *requirements* to be a part of the program and a *fee* is assessed for certain supplies, practice needs, required competitions, equipment, and other areas of the program listed in the MC Program Guidelines. The program is advertised to the 4-H'ers through newsletters and/or flyers sent home at club meetings in their schools. The promotion begins in the fall for the 4-H'ers and parents to be aware of these requirements and meetings to attend regarding the program. An Informational Meeting will be held to collect all members' information and to try out the program without any cost. We offer this and 3 to 4 practices before a commitment to the program is made. Calendar of the first dates for the season of practices are given at the orientation/informational Meeting. The dates are tentative and subject to change at any time.

WHAT WILL 4-H ARCHERY PARTICIPANTS LEARN?

During practices participants will learn the fundamentals of archery, work on the skills needed, and learn the importance of safety in this shooting sport. Archers will practice both Indoor archery and Outdoor Archery and learn the rules and regulation of both.

SHOOTING OPTIONS / COMPETITION GUIDELINES:

4-H Archery Competition Guidelines are based on bow type.

Divisions/Classes and Individual/Team Participation

Division for 4-H Archery Competition are **based on 4-H age eligibility guidelines.** A 4-H'er may not compete in a higher age division.

Divisions are as follows: Cloverleaf, Junior, and Senior.

Classes for 4-H Archery Competition are based on bow type:

- **Novice Class:** Open to **Cloverleaf only** (4th – 6th Grade) and limited to recurve or universal draw length compound bow that does not have a positive draw stop or let-off (Genesis, PSE Discovery). Bows may be equipped with an arrow rest and nocking point only. *Sights & additional equipment may not be used.* A finger tab or glove may be used by the participant.
- **Recurve Class:** Open to Cloverleaf (4th – 6th grade), Junior (7th -8th grade) and Senior (9th - 12th grade) participants with separate competitions for each age division.
- **Compound Class:** Open to Cloverleaf (4th – 6th grade), Junior (7th -8th grade) and Senior (9th -12th grade) participants with separate competition for each age division.

Participants will participate in the **State Indoor Archery Match** in the winter and the **State Outdoor Match** in the spring. There will be other tournament opportunities as chosen by Lead Coach and 4-H Staff.

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PARENTS:

Parents are an important part of 4-H Archery activities and are always welcome. We also strongly encourage parents to consider becoming a 4-H volunteer. A parent or an adult 18 years of age or older **MUST** accompany shooters to all practices and matches. There will important duties for you to fulfill with your shooter and for the program.

RANGE/WHISTLE COMMANDS:

On the range / practice area the shooters are taught the specific commands in order to be able to shoot at their target. Control over the range will be through verbal, whistle, or light commands, or a combination of those command types. **Range Commands will be followed at all times.** A copy of these are also given out at the Orientation/Informational meeting.

THE EQUIPMENT:

Any bow that does not violate the conventional meaning of the term in target archery may be used in 4-H archery events. You will be given the equipment information at the Orientation/Informational meeting both for Indoor Outdoor FITA and 3-D events.

The shooter does not have to own a bow and arrows to begin the program; however, they are encouraged to borrow or purchase bow and arrows that meets their individual needs as soon as possible upon commitment to the program. The head coach will have suggestion of places to purchase or from individuals that have completed the program and still own their equipment but would be willing to sell to a 4-Her in the program.

For more information contact:

**Madison County Extension/4-H Office at (706) 795-2281
97 Sunset Avenue Danielsville, GA 30633
Attend the Archery Informational Meeting**

Archery represents – SAFETY FIRST-Shooting Awareness Fun(damentals) Education Towards Young Friends Integrity Realizing Sportsmanship & Teamwork!

Madison County 4-H Project S.A.F.E. Archery Team

ARCHERY ORIENTATION/INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Location: BOE PLC 2 (Board of Education)

800 Madison Street

Danielsville, GA

Date: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Time: 3:00 PM

Meet Coaches & Staff



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