

2018 Spring Clay Target: Trap Shooting Team Information



I. Season and Schedule

A. Current location for our practices is Beaverbrook Sportsman's Club located at 20500 Palisade St. NE, Cedar, MN 55011. <http://beaverbrook.us/index.html>

B. The season will run April 2nd thru May 24th. Here is how our schedule will look

(Week 1) Practice – Mon., April 4th, 5 to 7 pm and Thurs., April 5th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 2) Practice – Mon., April 9th, 5 to 7pm and Thurs., April 11th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 3) Practice – Monday, April 16th, 5 to 7pm & Reserve – Thursday, April 19th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 4) Practice – Monday, April 23rd, 5 to 7pm & Comp. – Thursday, April 26th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 5) Practice – Monday, April 30th, 5 to 7pm & Comp. – Thursday, May 3rd, 5 to 7pm

(Week 6) Practice – Monday, May 7th, 5 to 7pm & Comp. – Thursday, May 10th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 7) Practice – Monday, May 14th, 5 to 7pm & Comp. – Thursday, May 17th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 8) Practice – Monday, May 21st, 5 to 7pm & Comp. – Thursday, May 24th, 5 to 7pm

(Week 10) Fun Week – Thursday, June 7th, 5 to 8pm Family team picnic and fun shoot games.

- The first two weeks of the season are for getting in practice and bringing the shooting skills back up to speed. You do not have to wait for us to get out there. Beaverbrook has open shooting on Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 12 to 5pm currently. There are also other trap clubs in the city if you so choose or are a member of. Get out there and break'em up.
- The reserve shoot is for establishing a score for a week where we are not able to shoot at all that entire week due to the weather. To establish a reserve score, you MUST be there on that day.
- During the competition(Comp) season, the weekly plan is to practice on Monday's and competition is on Thursday's. If the weather forecast in the weekend preceding the upcoming week looks like Thursday's weather may be threatening, then on that Sunday everyone will be notified thru text and email that the competition day is being changed to that Monday. To have your scores count, you must shoot as a squad on the day of competition. The ONLY exceptions to this will be if I have arranged with you in advance something different due to other sports conflicts but it must be set up in advance.

- This is a lettering activity if you shoot at the varsity level for a season average. Score ranges for determining varsity, junior varsity, and sophomore levels:
 - Varsity – to letter, you must participate in ALL competition shoots during the season and have an average of 19 points or more for the season and/or per round to be a varsity team member.
 - Junior Varsity – 15 to 18.99 points per round
 - Novice – 0 to 14.99 per round
- There are also awards available thru the season and at season’s end both individual and team.
 - 25 Straight Award – Shoot a perfect round
 - 50 Straight Award – Shoot two perfect rounds in a rowIndividual and team awards within the league and conference at the end of the season. See www.mnclaytarget.com for more details.





- C. 2018 Trap Shooting Championship in Alexandria, MN, the world's largest. It is a now 9-day tournament that will draw 9000+ high school trap shooting athletes from around the state. Our day of assignment to participate will be determined after registration closes.. This is an optional participation but we highly encourage all athletes to go as it is a great time for them as well as families.
- D. 2018 MSHSL Tournament in Prior Lake, MN at the Minneapolis Gun Club. Getting to this is determined by how well individuals and our teams perform at Alexandria. Last year Michael Stelly was the second Legacy shooter to ever make it to this level.

II. Team Structure – Current and Future Positions

- E. Head Coach
 - F. Assistant Coaches
 - G. Team Manager
 - H. Range Safety Officer
 - I. Fundraising and Finance Director
 - J. Apparel Coordinator
 - K. School Liaison
 - L. Community Coordinator
- What skills, gifts and abilities do you as a parent or volunteer have that could benefit the team now and in the future?

III. Equipment Needs and Costs for the Season

A. Mandatory to participate in league

1. Shotgun: Pump, Semi, or Over/Under in either 12 or 20 gauge
2. Hearing Protection: Over the ear muffs, plugs, or a combination
3. Eye Protection: Must be impact resistant. Color of lens or style does not matter as long as athlete can clearly see the target in all light conditions.
4. Shells: Will need a minimum of 3 cases to get thru the season.
5. Hunter Education/Firearm Safety Certificate: Must be completed by April 14th – NO EXCEPTIONS
6. Shell pouch bag: Provided to team members by team.

B. Optional to participate in the league

7. Uniform: Thru <https://www.cagear.com/school-gear/legacy-clay-target-team/> you can purchase one of two options for a team uniform. Either a full dye jersey style or a mock polo with ¼ zip. Price ranges from \$42 to \$81 depending on style, size, and whether you get your name on back.

C. Costs for participation in league

1. Athlete Season Registration: A one-time fee paid at the time of athlete registration online of \$30. Previously this had been paid thru the school. Now it is paid directly when registering. After registering, you will receive an email request payment of the fee using whatever payment method you might prefer.
2. Beaverbrook Sportsman's Club: This is our location where we shoot in East Bethel. Each session whether practice, reserve, or competition is two rounds of shooting with each round currently costing \$5/round. If the athlete makes every session, that is 32 rounds for a total of \$160 for the season. Another option for savings is they offer youth shooting cards. The cards are good for 20 rounds of shooting and the cards cost \$85, so you save \$15 per 20 rounds of shooting. These cards are punched at the time at the club for validation. They are purchased at the club desk.
3. Ammunition: The team makes a bulk purchase in early winter from Federal Cartridge thru the league for reduced rate bulk cost. 12 and 20 gauge shells will be able to be purchased thru this program. Cost per case is \$50.00/case. A sign-up sheet will be passed around for all athletes to order thru this program though it is optional. We encourage all to take advantage of this program. Checks will be made out to the school and the school will issue one check to Federal to pay for the ammunition. Delivery will either be made out of a coach's home.

4. State Championship: Notification of this will be made later in the season for a final number that will be going. This takes place in Alexandria, MN in mid-June.

IV. Team Safety and Scoring

A. Off the Shooting Line Safety

1. Quiet
2. Respectful
3. Supportive
4. Prepared
5. No Horseplay or Running
6. When walking with uncased semi-auto or pump shotgun, actions open and muzzle up. With an over/under style shotgun, action open with muzzle pointed at the ground.

B. On the Shooting Line Safety

1. Firearm breech open UNTIL your turn to shoot.
2. Firearm kept aimed downrange when loaded or unloaded.
3. Firearm held in safe supportive position when waiting for your turn to shoot again.
4. Attentive to the other shooters on the line when awaiting your next turn.

C. Range Safety Officer

- We have an opportunity if a parent or volunteer wants to take this certification course by the NRA. It is an 8-hour course if someone is willing to become certified.

D. Scoring

1. If any part of a clay in flight is hit by the shot, then it is considered a hit even if just a chip. The scorer will note it as such and nothing will be said. If the shot is a miss, the scorer will speak out loudly, "LOSS", so that the shooter knows this. If there is a question of a hit versus a miss, the shooter should immediately raise their hand after making their firearm safe. The scorer will poll the shooters on the line and the majority vote of the poll will determine, otherwise it will remain a miss.
2. There are 5 stations with 5 shots taken at each station with a total possible maximum score each round of 25 points. There are 2 total rounds for each practice and competition shoot.

V. Four Shooting Fundamentals

- A. Position
 - 1. Balance
 - 2. Stance
- B. Mount
 - 1. How you hold the firearm.
 - 2. Where you position it.
- C. Vision
 - 1. Line of Sight
 - 2. Focus
- D. Movement
 - 1. Mobility
 - 2. Follow-thru – keep tracking the target even after pulling the trigger.

VI. Team Future

- A. Fundraising – Taking the burden off parents and making the team self-sustaining as well as giving other athletes the chance to participate whose families could not afford for them to otherwise.
 - 1. Short Term
 - Coupon Card Sales
 - Pizza Ranch
 - Chik – Fil – A
 - Other options?
 - 2. Long Term
 - MidwayUSA Foundation
 - Grants
 - Donations
 - Sponsorships

B. Leadership

1. Team board
2. Team Structure Positions

C. Where do we go from here...?

Closing thoughts and questions....

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