Maryland
2018 State 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
May 4, 5 & 6, 2018

Register through 4-H Online by April 16. Online registration link should be available week of March 26. MD 4-H volunteers need to be UME volunteers and their 4-H Online Profile needs to be active. Volunteers who have not re-enrolled for 2018 must do that in order to register online.

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Purpose: To train and certify adult 4-H volunteers who wish to become instructors to teach in their respective counties or camping programs. Each participant can be certified in only one area of competency at this workshop.

Who: Adult 4-H volunteers 21 years of age or older. (Instructor Certification)
Young adult 4-H volunteers 18 to 20 years of age (as of January 1, 2018) (Assistant Instructor)
(assistant instructor - may conduct a program under direct and immediate supervision of adult certified instructor.) Need not be experienced with firearms or archery, but must be interested in working with youngsters.

Teen youth eligibility to attend training this year. See addendum on opportunity for limited number of 4-H shooting sports teens.

When: May 4, 5 & 6, 2018 - (program begins at 7:00 p.m. Friday & all participants are expected on time)

Where: Thendara 4-H Center, 6275 Lords Crossing Road, Hurlock, MD (Dorchester Co.)

Cost: 4-H Volunteers: $150.00 registration (MD 4-H)
Includes ($70 4-H scholarship for MD 4-H)
Registered by April 16, 2018

All others: (Private Camps, Scouts, etc.) $220.00
Registered by April 16

Registrations after April 16 will be accepted at our discretion with a $70 late fee.

Cancellations after April 27 will be subject to a $50.00 cancellation fee, unless we are unable to offer the training discipline for which you registered.

Counties may be offering some additional scholarship funds. Check with your County 4-H Office.

Cost includes 3 meals on Saturday, 2 meals on Sunday, 2 night’s dormitory lodging*, insurance, all ammunition and instructional materials.

Lodging: *Dormitory lodging - Camp type bunkhouse lodging is available. Bath facilities are located in the bunkhouse. Men and women are housed in separate areas. Limited numbers of beds available and will be allocated based on order of registrations received. Alternative: hotel or commute.

Supporting grants: workshop is being financially supported by MD 4-H Shooting Sports Committee.

Registration: all registration will be done through 4-H Online and a link to that registration should be available sometime the week of March 26.

Prepaid registration will be required. The received deadline is Monday, April 16, 2018. Completed online registration, 4-H Health Statement (MEP 323) and payment to Maryland 4-H Foundation, Inc. Registrations will be considered as received.

The workshop committee reserves the right to limit class size in order to provide adequate instruction. Registrations will be considered as received. Each participant can register for only one of the following disciplines: Rifle; Archery; Shotgun; Pistol or Muzzleloader.
CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT:

Each participant should bring outdoor clothing to cope with rain or cool weather. **Muzzleloader** shooters will need to have a long-sleeved shirt. Everyone will need the usual items: sleeping bags or sheets & blanket, personal items, towels and comfortable shoes.

All equipment needed for each discipline will be furnished. Participants are asked **not** to bring any personal shooting sports equipment to the workshop. Eye and ear protection will be supplied but if you wish you may bring your own.

PROGRAM:

Registration & Check In at 6:00 p.m.

The program will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening, May 4 and finish at approximately 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 6.

A PARTICIPANT MUST ATTEND ALL OF THE SESSIONS TO BECOME CERTIFIED. Please remember that this is a Certification program. The State 4-H Shooting Sports Committee reserves the right to withhold certification. In addition to a written assessment, each participant will have an opportunity to demonstrate teaching skills as a part of the training program.

All of the workshop teaching will be done by 4-H volunteers and extension faculty of the Maryland State 4-H Shooting Sports Committees, who were certified through a national level 4-H training program, or instructor trainers certified by this committee.

SHOOTING SPORTS DISCIPLINE DESCRIPTIONS

RIFLE – ARCHERY – MUZZLELOADER – SHOTGUN - PISTOL

Each of the 4-H shooting sports disciplines teaches safety, concentration, self-discipline, self-confidence, goal-setting, decision-making, and builds toward more advanced activities. Programs allow for development of individual cooperative and competitive skills.

Positive Youth Development is the number one goal of the 4-H shooting sports program. 4-H shooting sports provide an outstanding way of providing human growth and development.

Introduction to the safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment is valuable for many. Firearms and Archery Equipment are the Recreational and Educational Tools of the 4-H Shooting Sports Program.

RIFLE

This discipline will train participants in proper methods of instructing youth in the safe and responsible use of rifles. Training curriculum will include the use of both air rifles and smallbore rifles. 4-H programs have the flexibility of developing shooting programs that accommodate a youth audience of varying ages and stages. These programs also allow for the variety of facilities and conditions that may be available for conducting shooting sports programs, ranging from a community center, Extension office conference room or 4-H camp to the more elaborate shooting ranges that may be 4-H accessible in some areas. Each of these options has its place and comes with different degrees of resource requirements.
ARCHERY

Archery includes a complex set of activities, from simple backyard target shooting to formal target or field competitions, from family fun to bow hunting and bow fishing or even the Olympic Games. Archery is a sport that can involve people of all ages. It does not require great strength or great expenditures in order to participate. As such, archery is an excellent individual, group or family recreation. This curriculum is based on the principle of immediate participation and immediate success. County program investment can be low for program startup. Facilities, too, should be easily identified.

MUZZLELOADING

The art of muzzleloading is an intriguing as well as historical area of firearms. Interest in blackpowder shooting or muzzleloading has grown tremendously in recent years. This discipline is geared to training instructors to teach this art to older youth as the weight of the individual firearm and use of peripheral equipment are factors. This is a relatively inexpensive shooting program after initial investment. There are lots of opportunities to explore the history of our country as well as history of firearms through muzzleloading. Maryland 4-H limits youth participation in muzzleloading to those youth 14 years of age or older.

SHOTGUN

The shotgun discipline is geared to introducing the basics of shotgun shooting to youth and adults. Fundamentals of shotgun handling, safety, and the appropriate methods of teaching shotgunning to youth are important aspects of this discipline. The shotgun curriculum is concentrated yet ample time will be devoted to participant involvement in classroom and on the shooting range. As with all disciplines, workshop participants will be given opportunity to demonstrate teaching skills using parts of the 4-H curriculum. Retention and recruitment of older youth in 4-H programs may be enhanced through participation in a shotgun shooting sports program. This discipline will require a higher level of resource commitment and an appropriate shooting area such as a shooting range or open field.

PISTOL

The pistol discipline will focus on introducing the basics of pistol shooting including .177 cal. air pistol and .22 cal. smallbore pistol. Fundamentals of pistol handling, safety, and the appropriate methods of teaching pistol marksmanship to youth are important aspects of this discipline. The pistol curriculum is concentrated yet ample time will be devoted to participant involvement in classroom and on the shooting range. As with all disciplines, workshop participants will be given opportunity to demonstrate teaching skills using parts of the 4-H curriculum.

OTHER WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS:

| Door Prizes | We request that each participant bring a door prize or two valued at $20 or less. Shooting sports items, 4-H items, and Camping items are just suggestions. |

WHY PARTICIPATE:

The 4-H Shooting Sports program is currently one of the fastest growing 4-H programs in the nation with over 450,000 youth participants. Community based and family oriented, the 4-H Shooting Sports program offers a diverse curriculum that not only teaches shooting safety and gun owner responsibility, but also helps young people develop good citizenship, personal responsibility, and leadership skills. Leaders will be trained to help youth learn self-discipline, sportsmanship, ethical behavior, and an appreciation for the great outdoors.
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE - 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR
TRAINING May 4, 5 & 6, 2018
Thendara 4-H Center
6275 Lords Crossing Road, Hurlock, Maryland
in Dorchester County

FRIDAY, 5/4
6:00 to 7:00 p.m. REGISTRATION & CHECK - IN
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. General Session
   Welcome to 4-H Shooting Sports Programs Philosophy & Policies
   Kids n Guns
   Minimum Standards & Best Practices
   Learning More About Young People
9:00 to 9:30 p.m. Individual Shooting Discipline Groups

SATURDAY, 5/5
7:30 a.m. BREAKFAST
8:30 a.m. Noon Training in Disciplines
12 noon LUNCH
1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Training in Disciplines
5:30 p.m. DINNER
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Training in Disciplines
7:30 - 9:30 p.m. General Session – Risk Management

SUNDAY 5/6
7:30 a.m. BREAKFAST
8:30 to 12 noon Training in Disciplines
   Including Instructor
   Written Assessments
   Preparation for Student Teaching
12:00 Noon LUNCH
1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Instructor Student Teaching Experience – Special Note:
   (We are inviting 4-H youth ages 8 or older to come in at noon for lunch & to serve as students. If you know of
   4-H’ers who would like to do this, please contact us with names, ages, AND T-SHIRT SIZE. The first 25 youth to
   commit receive a 4-H Shooting Sports T-Shirt.
3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Discussions on Student Teaching
4:00 p.m. Instructor Recognition
5:00 p.m. Travel Safely

Equal Opportunity Program
Directions to the Thendara 4-H Center
Phone: 410-943-3583
Thendara 4-H Center - 6275 Lords Crossing Road, Hurlock, MD

from the WEST
Follow Rt. 50 East to Easton. (Watch for the Exxon Station & 7 Eleven on the left at Dover Road)
Turn left off of Rt. 50 onto Rt. 331 (Dover Rd.) Follow Rt. 331 through Preston (obey speed limits)
About 1 mile east of Preston, (Preston Ford) turn Right on Rt. 331 & Rt. 16
Follow Rt. 16 for 5 miles (house on right with split rail fence and Antiques Sign) and then turn left onto Cabin Creek/Hurlock Road (ignore all cabin creek roads that turn to the right)
Travel 8/10ths (eight tenths) mile on Cabin Creek/Hurlock Rd & turn Right on Lords Crossing Rd
Thendara entrance will be on your left.
IF COMING FROM THE NORTH AND TRAVELING THROUGH DENTON, TAKE 313 TO DENTON THEN 16 SOUTH TO PRESTON...STAY ON RT 16 SOUTH...FOLLOW DIRECTIONS ABOVE (Should you end up in Hurlock, look for intersection of Oak Street & Rt. 331 on So. Main St...at Unity Washington Church, turn onto Oak St. and that becomes Cabin Creek/Hurlock Rd. ...travel 2 miles to Lords Crossing Rd.)

From Cambridge
From Cambridge, take Rt. 50 east and turn left at the Rt. 16/ Mt. Holly light. Take Rt. 16 towards Hurlock. At turn off for East New Market go straight ahead following Route 392. Before you reach Hurlock, turn left onto Lord’s Crossing Road. Follow Lord’s Crossing Road for about 1 mile. The Thendara 4-H Center will be on your right behind a stand of pine trees. (If you get to the intersection with Cabin Creek/Hurlock Road you have gone too far.)

From Salisbury
From the East: (Salisbury vicinity): take Rt. 50 west, cross the Nanticoke River, turn onto Rt. 331 and go to Rhodesdale. Turn left at Rhodesdale onto Route 14. Follow Rt. 14 to intersection with Rt. 392. Turn right onto 392 and travel toward Hurlock for about 2 ½ miles. Watch for intersection of Lords Crossing & Shiloh Camp Roads; turn left onto Lord’s Crossing Road. Follow Lord’s Crossing Road for about 1 mile. The Thendara 4-H Center will be on your right behind a stand of pine trees. (If you get to the intersection with Cabin Creek/Hurlock Road you have almost missed us.)
OTHER LODGING OPTIONS:
IF FOLKS DO NOT WISH TO LODGE AT THE THENDARA 4-H CENTER, HERE ARE TWO OPTIONS IN CAMBRIDGE,
THERE ARE ADDITIONAL OPTIONS IN THE EASTON AREA. THERE ARE ALSO SOME BED & BREAKFASTS AS WELL
AS THE HYATT – CHESAPEAKE

**Comfort Inn & Suites** (2936 Ocean Gateway, Cambridge, MD, US, 21613)  
Phone: (410) 901-0926  
Guests of this new (2008) Cambridge, MD hotel are invited to enjoy amenities and features like **Free continental breakfast**, served daily, **Free wireless high-speed Internet access**, **Free local calls**, **Indoor heated pool**, **Exercise room**. The **on-site meeting room** can accommodate most events and business functions. Access to **copy** and **fax services** is offered.

**Days Inn** (2917 Ocean Gateway * Rt.50 East, Cambridge MD)  
Phone: 410-228-4444  
Days Inn is the first choice for savvy, value-conscious travelers. Our guests enjoy amenities such as **free continental breakfast**, **free weekday newspaper**, **in-room hairdryers** and **AM/FM clock radios** - all at an affordable Days Inn price. 50 Rooms Deluxe Continental Breakfast Outdoor heated pool Interior Corridor High speed internet access available in rooms Jacuzzi suites available 50 miles to Ocean City Beach Newest property in Cambridge Black Water Wildlife Refuge - 10 miles Business Work Zone suites available Resort conference and banquet facility within 1 mile. Only one parking space available per room at $2.00 per day

**Holiday Inn** (2715 OCEAN GATEWAY Cambridge MD)  
Phone: 410-221-9900  
Hotel features include complimentary continental breakfast and free local phone calls. Enjoy a unique breakfast experience at our new Express Start Breakfast Bar served every morning featuring a selection of fruits, juices, cereals, breads/pastries, and even hardboiled eggs. We have also created the world's best tasting cinnamon roll. Amenities Indoor Pool Complimentary Breakfast High-speed Internet Access Whirlpool On-site Guest Self-Laundry Facilities (washer/dryer) Iron / Ironing Board Coffee Maker Hairdryer A/C Public Areas Directions / Map Hotel Features 86 Guest Rooms 4 Suites 79 Non-Smoking Rooms 50 Double-Bedded Rooms 36 Single-Bedded Rooms Rural MD0420 FEMA Property Number 4 Floors Personal Services A/C Public Areas Dry Cleaning Pickup/Laundry Free Local Phone Calls Ice Machine On-site Guest Self-Laundry Facilities (washer/dryer) Safety Deposit Box available at Front Desk.

**Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort, Spa and Marina**  
100 Heron Blvd. at Route 50  
Cambridge, Maryland, USA  
21613

Maps & Directions

Golf, Spa Resort on 2 miles of waterfront featuring a 150 slip marina.