



## NATIONAL 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS STATE COORDINATORS NEWS BLAST

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### **2011 NATIONAL INVITATIONAL**

All information pertaining to the 2011 National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational is posted on both the National website [www.4-hshootingsports.org](http://www.4-hshootingsports.org) and the Texas website <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/shootingsports/index.php#NationalInvitational>

### **2011 NATIONAL INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP**

National Committee is pleased to announce that the 2011 National 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training Workshop is scheduled for **May 15-20 at the Iowa 4-H Center in Madrid, Iowa**. Co-host states include Iowa and Minnesota. Stay tuned for more details as we are looking at some ways to make this workshop very affordable.

The National Committee expresses appreciation to Oregon & Washington states as well as Louisiana for submitting proposals.

### **STATE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS COORDINATOR CONFERENCE**

We are encouraging all State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinators to mark their calendars for a State Coordinators Update, the week of September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Actual dates are tentatively set for Sept. 27 – 30, Monday thru Thursday with the first and last day being travel days. Location will be in Columbia, Missouri. This conference is being made possible by the generosity of Midway USA, and will be an excellent opportunity for coordinators to meet, learn, communicate and share with colleagues and the National Committee. The last Coordinator Conference was held in 2005 in South Carolina. Our National Committee will be providing you with additional details.

### **TEEN AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

Watch for information soon regarding our Teen Ambassador Program. We are hopeful to announce a 2 or 3 day Teen Ambassador Workshop that would precede the 2011 Invitational in San Antonio, TX.

### **SEEKING 2012-2013 NATIONAL 4-H INVITATIONAL HOST STATE**

The National Committee is seeking host state bids from states wishing to consider hosting the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational in 2012 & 2013. The host state bid package and forms can be found on the National 4-H Shooting Sports website under the State Coordinator section.

### **SEEKING 2012 NATIONAL INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP HOST STATE BIDS**

Once again, we would like to know if your state(s) are interested in hosting the National 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training Workshop in 2012. Host State bid forms can be found on the National website under the State Coordinator Section.

### **SEEKING STATES TO PILOT NEW HUNTING CURRICULUM**

Thanks to Jim Knight, Extension Wildlife Specialist, Montana, for taking on the task of writing a new Hunting Curriculum for 4-H. We are looking for a few states that have interest in Piloting this program. If your state is one with interest, please contact Dr. Susan Holder [susanh@ext.msstate.edu](mailto:susanh@ext.msstate.edu)

### **NATIONAL 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS CURRICULUM ON THE WEB**

The most current edition of the 4-H Shooting Sports Curriculum can be found on the National website (State Coordinator Section, bottom of page). A number of edits were made in the last year, so you will want to use the most up to date version for your state trainings.

### **STATE TRAINING DATES**

Please be sure to email information about your state instructor training to Conrad Arnold, so that your dates and contact information can be added to the calendar of training dates on the website. [carnold@umd.edu](mailto:carnold@umd.edu)

### **DEMOGRAPHICS SURVEY**

Thanks to those of you who completed the shooting sports demographics survey for your state. You have no idea how valuable this data can be as we reach out to gain support for 4-H shooting sports, not only Nationally, but State by State. As our data improves, so will our support. Let's hope we can improve on the data collection so that we can provide a clear snapshot of this great program.