



St. Clair County 4-H Program

# From the Forest to the Table

## March 17, 2018



At 4 SQUARE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB, Grant Twp.

### Schedule of Activities

8 am to 8:30 am	Registration
9 am to 10:30 am	Game Animal & Fish Processing
10:30 am to 12:30 pm	Ethics, Shot Impact, Blood Trail, and Tree Stand Safety sessions
Noon to 1 pm	LUNCH BREAK –4 Square Concessions (sample game in outdoor cook tent)
1 pm to 3 pm	Afternoon sessions in various locations
3 pm to 4 pm	Silent Auction winners announced

For Youth aged 10-19 years old



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#### Special points of interest

- \$5 for St. Clair County 4-H members OR \$10 for out of county or non-4-H youth
- Youth ages 10-19 years
- Participate in several different sessions
- Local and regional 4-H members welcome
- This workshop fills up so register early, DEADLINE IS Friday, March 9, 2018 FORMS AND PAYMENT
- See video of event on this website [msue.stclaircounty.org](http://msue.stclaircounty.org) and visit our [facebook](#) page

### HIGHLIGHTS

**WILD GAME PROCESSING**

**HUNTING=Ethics, Shot Impact, Blood Trail, Tree Stand Safety**

**TRAPPING**

**BASIC SURVIVAL SKILLS**

**OUTDOOR COOKING**

**NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION**

**HUNTING DOGS**

**YOUTH MUZZLE LOADER GIVE AWAY**

## About the workshop

This workshop is presented by the St. Clair County 4-H From The Forest To The Table Committee with guidance from the MSU Extension Staff, and support from 4-H Leaders and Volunteers; also in partnership with MDNR and Four Square Sportsman's Club.

The event offers educational opportunities for youth in St. Clair County as well as other counties. Hands on sessions present a great learning environment for youth. Participants will gain knowledge and strengthen skills in safely harvesting and preparing game animals. You may choose from many different sessions rotate through the program to your different sessions.



*Teen Leadership in action*

## Environmental & Outdoor Education

**Love spending time outdoors?** Journey through field and forest to discover the wonders and mysteries of Michigan's natural environment. Through 4-H environmental and outdoor education projects you will learn about the interconnection of people and nature. You'll also develop respect and appreciation for and a sense of stewardship toward our natural resources.

### **Shooting Sports, get kids on target through the 4-H Shooting Sports Program!**

The Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports program has been active for over 20 years. Youth in more than 70 counties participate in a variety of shooting sports areas every year! Members can learn safety and shooting techniques for shotgun, rifle, air gun, muzzle loading and archery. They learn how to handle **firearms responsibly for target practice and hunting and learn respect for the natural environment.** For more information about St. Clair County's Shooting Sports Program, contact Lori Warchuck, 4-H Program Coordinator at 9810) 989-6935

### **Objectives**

The goal of all 4-H Youth Development programs is youth development. All project areas work toward developing skills youth need to be productive and positive adults in society. Decision making, teamwork, problem solving, being responsible and having high self-esteem are just a few of the many skills 4-H helps to develop.

### **Objectives specific to the 4-H Shooting Sports program are to:**

- ◆ Encourage participation in environmental and outdoor education programs by exposing youth to shooting, hunting and other related activities.
- ◆ Support youth in developing valuable conservation and natural resources related knowledge, skills and stewardship.
- ◆ Enhance development of self-concept, character and personal growth through safe, educational and socially acceptable involvement in shooting.
- ◆ Teach safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment.
- ◆ Promote the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship, ethical behavior, and conservation.
- ◆ Strengthen families through participation in lifelong recreational activities.
- ◆ Provide hands-on learning experiences.

# First Morning Sessions 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

**Game animal Processing** Participants will attend ONE of these hands-on sessions, make first and second choice

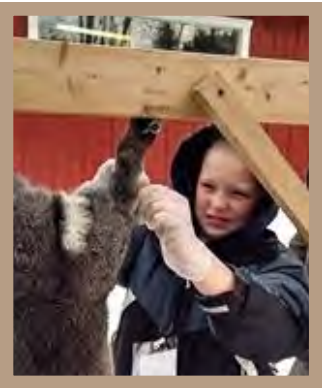
## A—Pheasant Processing:

This session is instructed by certified St. Clair County 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders. Youth work with a partner to learn the basics of cleaning and preparing a game bird from it's harvest to the table. This is a hands-on session and all youth participants are encouraged to take part in the cleaning. Safe knife handling and food safety issues are also addressed.



## B—Rabbit Processing:

This session is instructed by 4-H Leaders with extensive knowledge in game animal processing. Youth participants will work in groups to clean, and process rabbits for eating. This is a hands-on session and all youth are encouraged to take part. Safe knife handling and food safety issues are addressed. Participants will also learn and see that rabbit meat is low sodium, low in fats and is considered a “white” meat that is very healthy to consume.



## C—Deer Processing:

This demonstration is instructed by local 4-H Leaders with an enthusiasm for hunting and processing their own harvested deer. Youth will learn the skills and care needed when field-dressing deer. How to avoid contaminating the carcass with both animal waste and environmental contaminants will be addressed. This is not a hands-on on session for youth but a step by step demonstration and instruction.



## D—Fish Processing:

This hands-on session is taught by local 4-H Leaders with much knowledge and enthusiasm for fishing. Each youth participant will clean and prepare fish just as they would if caught fresh. Each participant will work at a station and receive step by step instructions on how to safely and efficiently prepare fish for cooking.



## Second Morning Session 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- ◆ Shooting Sports is just one of many programs offered by Michigan 4-H Youth Development to help youth develop important life skills such as responsibility, decision making, and respect.
- ◆ This Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports Program provides education to youth and their families on the safe and appropriate use of shooting sports for recreation and outdoor enjoyment.

### All will attend these 30 minute sessions



### Michigan Department of Natural Resources—Ethics =

- To provide instruction on hunting rules & regulations as enforced by MDNR Officers
- To teach safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment including sound decision making, self-discipline and concentration.
- To promote the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship and ethical behavior.
- To expose participants to the broad array of vocational and lifelong activities related to shooting sports.

It is important to have the proper ATTITUDE, develop the SKILLS and acquire the necessary KNOWLEDGE to be a safe shooter. Each shooter must be in control of his/her emotions and actions at all times.

### Shot Impact

Know your target and what is beyond. Remember that bullets can pass through game and continue on for some distance with deadly force.

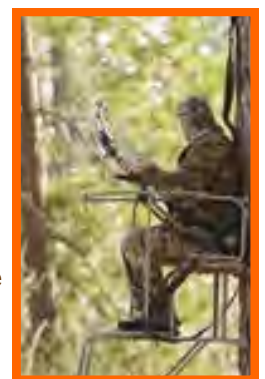
### Blood Trail, Shoot or Don't Shoot?

First, make the best shot you can to ensure a quick kill, and second, be ready to put every effort into recovering the deer if it does not go down in sight. Blood-trailing deer is always easier when the blood-trail is short and the deer dies quickly. You can ensure short blood-trails by practicing with your bow or firearm and taking only ethical shots within your proficiency range. Self-control is an essential aspect of hunter safety. Only shoot when you know the target is legal game and that no people, domestic animals, buildings, or equipment are in the zone-of-fire.

*GOLDEN RULE = Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.*

### Tree Stand Safety

Falls from a tree stand can happen at any time after you leave the ground. No matter what type of tree stand you are hunting from, every hunter should practice tree stand safety by wearing a safety harness with a lifeline from the time they leave the ground until they return.



*Tree Stand Safety*

**Hunting is a privilege and can be taken away if hunters fail to act responsibly.**

## First Afternoon Session 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Participants will attend ONE of these sessions, choose 1st and second choice



**1—Trapping Education,** Learn the basics of trapping local animals including rules and regulations specific to each species. Skinning and mounting will also be discussed.

**2—Outdoor Cooking:** Make your own individual recipe and learn the basics of cooking outdoors. Kids will learn fun new recipes and campfire cooking techniques.

**3—National Wild Turkey Federation presented by: “Cass River Gobblers”**

Participants will learn about the reintroduction of the Eastern Turkey in Michigan, turkey habits and tendencies, scouting, making them gobble, calling with box, slate, yelper, and diaphragm calls, shot patterning your gun, and what to do with your trophy. Participants 11 years and older, will have the opportunity (under the one-on-one supervision of a certified shooting instructor) to take several practice shots, and then one shot at a paper turkey target. Twenty gauge shotguns and ammo will be provided. Please do not bring your own gun to the event.

**4—Basic Survival Skills:** What would you do if weather or another emergency left you stranded in the woods. Learn shelter building and fire starting techniques essential to being a prepared hunter.

**5— Hunting Dog and Obedience dog training presented by *Lucas Dewey*:**

This presentation will include: going over the different tools you would use to train a pointer and/or a retriever. First you will be shown the basic obedience commands such as here, heel, sit, and down that are necessary for any hunting dog. Then, you will be shown how those commands are used along with the basic training techniques to create a better hunting companion. After we have finished, you will have a better idea of how to make your hunting experience with your dog more enjoyable.



*Luke*

## Second Afternoon Session 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Participants will attend ONE of these sessions, choose 1st and second choice

**6—Trapping Education:** (see above description)

**7—Outdoor Cooking:** (see above description)

**8—National Wild Turkey Federation “Cass River Gobblers”** (see above description).

**10—Basic Survival Skills:** (see above description)

**11—Hunting Dog and Obedience Dog Training** (see above description)



## OTHER FUN THINGS GOING ON

### OUTDOOR or HUNTING PHOTOGRAPY/ARTWORK CONTEST

This contest is to encourage youth to express their love of the outdoors by sharing their photos or artwork. It should be mounted on either a black or white poster board and brought to the event. The winners will be the “Face” of the 2019 From the Forest to the Table Event by being on the cover of the program guide.



### SILENT AUCTION

Help support this great program by purchasing tickets for the silent auction. Do you have any new or gently used items to donate, please bring it for the auction. This helps to provide funding to continue this great workshop and we appreciate your support. WINNERS will be announced at the end of the day, around 4 p.m.



### WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY:

- ◇ St. Clair County 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders & Volunteers
- ◇ MSU Extension 4-H Program Staff
- ◇ Michigan Department of Natural Resources
- ◇ Four Square Sportsman's Club

### SPONSORS

Please consider patronizing these businesses or organizations that support us.

**4 Square Sportsman's Club**  
**Blue Water Quality Dear Management**  
**Gaffney Farms**  
**Richmond White Tails Unlimited**  
**Springfield Pet Resort & Training Ctr.**  
**National Wild Turkey Federation, i.e. Cass River Gobblers**

**4-H Leaders Council**  
**G5**  
**Kenockee Tradin Post**  
**Bluewater Friends of the NRA**

# HOW TO REGISTER

**This event fills quickly, get your registration in ASAP**

1. Pre-registration forms and payment due no later than Friday, March 9, 2018 to the MSU Extension Office at 200 Grand River Avenue Suite 102, Port Huron MI 48060. Make check payable to 4-H Council and mail registration forms and check to register, or walk-in to register, opened 8am to 4:30 pm closed for lunch noon to 1 pm
2. This is a **HARD** deadline, not a “post marked by” deadline, allow time for mailing, faxes not accepted, payment needs to be included to be registered for this event.
3. For youth 10-19 years old.
4. **COST** is \$5 for registered St. Clair County 4-H members, \$10 for out of county 4-H participants or non 4-H youth.
5. **LOCATION**=Four Square Sportsman’s Club, 6779 Cline Rd., Grant Twp., MI 48032
6. All youth must have an adult with them on the day of the event.
7. **Dress for the weather this is an all-day outdoor event.**
8. Make multiple choices to insure you get a session, all effort will be made to give you your first choice, but this workshop fills up. Not making multiple choices will delay your registration. **Send with Parental Permission, and Media/Medical release forms.**

**Pre-registration forms and payment due (postmarks will not be accepted for this event) FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Club name: \_\_\_\_\_

Game Processing 9-10:30 a.m. = 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
You will attend one session

First Afternoon Session 1-2 p.m. = 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
You will attend one session

Second Afternoon Session 2-3 p.m. = 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
You will attend one session

**\* Slots filled on a first come first served basis**

*Bringing Knowledge to Life!*



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3 videos about this event can be found here

<http://www.stclaircounty.org/Offices/msue/4H/ShootingSports.aspx>

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Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested three days before the event by calling to make the arrangements, requests received after three days will be met when possible.



All Participants  
Must Submit



## MICHIGAN 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

### Parental Permission and Acknowledgement of Risk

I/We, the parent(s) (legal guardian) of \_\_\_\_\_ grant permission for his/her participation in the Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports program. I/We approve the use of firearms, live ammunition, and/or archery equipment, while participating under the supervision of a 4-H certified shooting sports leader. I/We understand that shooting sports are potentially hazardous activities and entail the risk of serious injury. These potential hazards include gun shot or archery wounds and can result in paralysis, loss of vision, limb, or life. I/We know that participation in this activity is entirely voluntary. I/We agree to not hold the 4-H project leaders, County 4-H Extension Council/Committee, State 4-H staff, local extension staff, MSU Extension, or Michigan State University, liable for any injury, loss or claim that may arise from this activity, except insofar as an injury is proximately caused by gross negligence.

I/We realize that our child will be dismissed from the activities/events if he/she fails to follow instructions and safety guidelines. I/we also understand that I/we will be asked to pick up my child immediately if he/she is dismissed from an activity/event.

I/We acknowledge and accept responsibility to sit down with my son/daughter and talk through the importance of listening to instructions and to behaving appropriately.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent (Guardian) Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent (Guardian) Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

NON 4-H'ers must submit

## MEDIA RELEASE & MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION

Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 1 – RELEASE FOR AUDIO, VIDEO, FILM & PHOTO-GRAPHS

Participants in events sponsored by MSU 4-H are sometimes photographed and videotaped for use in MSU 4-H promotional and educational materials.

I authorize Michigan State University to record the image and voice of the subject named below and give MSU and all persons or entities acting pursuant to MSU's permission or authority, all rights to use of these recorded images and voice. I understand that said images and/or voice will be used for educational, advertising and promotional purposes in all conventional and electronic media, including but not limited to the Internet, and any future media. I also authorize the use of any printed material in connection therewith.

I understand and agree that these images and recordings may be duplicated, distributed, with or without charge, and/or altered in any form or manner without future or further compensation or liability, in perpetuity.

Print adult or youth subject's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or guardian must sign here if subject is under age 18.)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 2 – MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION

This section must be completed and signed by a parent or guardian for all youth participants before they can participate in this program. If this form is not completed, youth participants will not be allowed to participate. Completing this section is optional but encouraged for adult participants.

Please complete this form to give a medical facility permission to treat the participant for minor injuries or medical problems. In the event of serious injury or illness, the parent or person designated will be contacted. Treatment will proceed before contacting the parent or person designated only if the situation is urgent and does not permit delay.

Participant's full legal name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent phone day: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent phone evening: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary care physician's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION:

Policy holder's name and relationship to participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy holder's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a photocopy of both sides of your insurance card (preferred) OR complete the information requested here:

Insurance company name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance copy phone number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

All policy numbers (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_

If you have HMO insurance, please list emergency treatment authorization phone number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

### INFORMATION NEEDED ABOUT PARTICIPANT:

#### PARTICIPANT:

Please check yes or no. If yes, explain below or on another sheet if you need more room.

Yes No

Does the participant have any chronic health problem or illness? \_\_\_\_\_

Does he or she have any acute illness now? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the person been treated recently for some medical problem \_\_\_\_\_

List any medications he or she is now taking for treatment of any medical problem. \_\_\_\_\_

Does the participant have any allergies to medication or local anesthetics? \_\_\_\_\_

Does he or she have any allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Date of his or her last tetanus shot: \_\_\_\_\_

### OFFICIAL AUTHORIZATION FOLLOWS:

I (parent or legal guardian), \_\_\_\_\_ recognize that while attending this program, medical treatment on an emergency basis may be necessary for my child, and I further recognize that MSU staff may be unable to contact me for my consent for emergency medical care. I do hereby consent in advance to such emergency care, including hospital care, as may be deemed necessary under the circumstances and to assume the expenses of such care. I also authorize the medical facility to release any and all information required to complete insurance claims and also authorize insurance payment directly to the medical facility.

Signature of parent or guardian or of participant if aged 18 and up: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_