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Shotgunners aim for prized bacon

CURTIS, Neb. – Sportsmen and recreationists can test their skills Saturday with local college students in a friendly competition in Curtis called, “Take Home the Bacon.”

The Aggie Shotgun Sports Club at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture will host its annual clay target fun day at the Curtis Gun Club located on East Highway 23 east of Curtis, said Alan Taylor, coach of the Aggie team.

“We like to invite the public out to the range for some friendly competition and an opportunity to meet our students in the Aggie Shotgun Sports Club,” says Taylor, who in addition to coaching the popular extracurricular team also is an adjunct lecturer in animal nutrition.

Clay targets may be purchased on-site for the Saturday match, with the students hosting the activity from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Prizes for top scores in each round will be packages of bacon.

Competitive Aggie Shotgun Sport Team members have practiced their skills weekly since September and compete in local and regional matches with public and collegiate competitors.



NCTA Aggie Women's Team

A highlight for the fall semester was in September when the NCTA Team won the 2-year Collegiate Division at the Prairie Conference Circuit match in North Platte. They competed for three days with 500 clay targets in trap, double trap, skeet, double skeet and 5-stand sporting clays. Colleges came from Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and Oklahoma.

“We had a great season, repeating our first place in the Prairie Circuit, and look forward to more contests next spring,” said Rilee VanDonge, club president, and a sophomore veterinary technology major from Holton, Kansas.

“The Bacon Match serves as one of the club’s main fundraising events,” she added. Proceeds help the Aggie team with entry fees, travel costs and supplies for contests. “We hope for a great turn-out. Come, and take home some bacon!”

Additional information about the team or Saturday’s Bacon Match is available from Coach Taylor at (308) 530-9889.

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