The American Legion
Department of Indiana
Junior Shooting Sports Program (JSSP)

JUNIOR
SHOOTING
SPORTS

2020-2021 Department Championship Match Information Packet
March 13&14, 2021
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FACT SHEET

The National Executive Committee (NEC) of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 12-13, 1988, established a National Americanism program entitled, "American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program". The Junior Shooting Sports Program (JSSP) provides an opportunity for young people to participate in an exciting and challenging sport while learning gun safety, basic marksmanship skills, leadership, discipline, concentration, personal effort, and initiative.

The Department of Indiana established a JSSP within Indiana in 1999 and has conducted a state-wide annual Department JSSP Tournament since 2002. The Department JSSP competition is a three-position tournament consisting of standing, kneeling and prone, of which the highest scoring compendium determines the overall tournament winner(s).

In April 2016 in Indianapolis, Indiana that The American Legion, Department of Indiana establish a $1,000.00 scholarship, to be awarded equally to the individual(s), who is (are) determined to be the overall tournament winner(s) of the Department of Indiana, annual JSSP Tournament, beginning with the 2016-2017 tournament. Said scholarship is henceforth to be known as the "Ida May Jewel JSSP Championship Scholarship".

The American Legion JSSP is a gun safety education and marksmanship program that encompasses the basic elements of safety, education, enjoyment and competition. Shooters use the .177 caliber air rifle. Both males and females can participate, through Legion sponsorship; disabled youth are encouraged to join, as competitive shooting is a sport that creates an equal playing field for all competitors.

The JSSP teaches youth rifle safety and procedure and lets children participate in an Olympic skill sport while fostering healthy competition. All interested youths under 18 years old (or high school seniors no older than 20) are welcome, regardless of gender or physical ability. Shooters are trained to use a .177 air rifle, and levels vary from beginners learning safety basics to winners of the Legion-affiliated National Championship, which consists of regional champs competing in a shoulder-to-shoulder match.

Junior Shooting Sports is a three-part program that combines the Basic Marksmanship Course, Qualification Awards and Air Rifle Competition into a well-rounded activity.

Basic Marksmanship Course

The Basic Marksmanship Course, given to Shooting Sports participants, offers comprehensive instruction for beginning shooters with little or no marksmanship experience. Designed for an instructor’s easy use, the course teaches gun safety and marksmanship fundamentals, using short lectures or discussions, followed by hands-on activities.
Qualification Awards

Graduates who want to keep improving their skills can enroll in air-rifle qualification courses provided by the National Rifle Association and the Civilian Marksmanship Programs. These courses offer personal skill-development ladders for shooters to achieve established performance standards.

Air Rifle Competition

The annual 3-Position Junior Air Rifle National Championship is a tournament that begins with postal matches. State and/or regional champions are determined and advance to a qualification round (also a postal match) to determine the athletes who will earn expense-paid trips to compete in the national championship. The national championship is a shoulder-to-shoulder match held each July at the USA Shooting range facilities at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs.

The American Legion embodies strong American values and forms a grassroots force dedicated to love of country and commitment to veterans, their families, their communities and young people. For more information on the Junior Shooting Sports Program in Indiana, visit our website at www.indianalegion.org, and select the “PROGRAMS” tab, or contact the following as applicable;

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Section I: General

The American Legion Department of Indiana 19th Regional Championship Junior Shooting Sports Program (JSSP) Air Rifle competition will be conducted on Saturday and Sunday, March 13th & 14th, respectively. The purpose of these regional events is to determine the Department of Indiana Sporter Air Rifle Champion. Advanced registration and on-site check-in required.

Section II: Entries

Competitors must be a member of an air rifle shooting club currently affiliated with an American Legion Post within the Department of Indiana. Competitors must be currently enrolled in a public or private elementary, junior high school, senior high school, or equivalent graded home school institution.

Section III: Match Format and Location

The 2020-2021 American Legion Department of Indiana JSSP Championship Match shall be conducted in a North/South Regional Match format. The Northern Region will include those JSSP teams from the American Legion's 1st thru 5th Districts. The Northern Regional Match shall be held on Sunday, March 14, 2021, at Bass & Buck's, 4890 West Millcreek Pike, Wabash, IN 46992. The Southern Region shall include those JSSP teams from the American Legion's 6th thru 11th Districts. The Southern Regional Match shall be held on Saturday, March 13, 2021 at American Legion Post 70, 1125 Miller Ave., Shelbyville, IN 46176. Reference the enclosed District map and County to District Index to determine your District and assigned Regional contest.

If reasonable extenuating circumstances prevent a team from competing in their assigned Regional event, they may submit a written request to the Department Program Director for a change of venue and approval to compete in the Northern or Southern Match, as applicable. Said request will be addressed by the Department JSSP Committee. Change of venue decisions will be based on the justification provided, and the regional event facility space availability. The decision of the JSSP Committee shall be final. Change of Venue requests must be received with the team registration submission, by the established event registration deadline. If a change of venue request is denied, all associated registration fees will be refunded.
Section IV: Match Registration and Check-In Instructions

Advanced registration and on-site check-in are required for these Department Match events. Registration form is available online at www.indianalegion.org. Click on the "PROGRAMS" tab and select "Junior Shooting Sports". Registration deadline is Friday, February 26, 2021. On-site event check-in opens at 9:00 a.m. Event opening ceremony begins at 10:00 a.m. with competition to follow immediately thereafter.

Section V: Course of Fire

The course of fire will be a 3 x 10 match. 10 minutes will be allowed to fire the prone shots with 8 minutes time allowed for preparation and sighting. 10 minutes for kneeling shots with 8 minutes time allowed for preparation and sighting and 15 minutes for standing with 8 minutes time for preparation and sighting.

Section VI: Conduct of the Tournament


a. Scoring will be accomplished by the Orion scoring system.

b. Targets used will be the CMP Orion targets. The distance from the back of the firing line to the targets will be 10 meters.


d. Equipment: Competitors shall provide their own rifle, spotting scope and stand, kneeling roll, shooting mat, and pellets as well as eye protection. If CO2 or compressed air are needed, each competitor will be responsible for providing their own.

e. Rifle: As per the 2019-2021 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules. Officially approved Sporter Air Rifles are listed.

Section VII: Competitors

There will be no range clock on site. The timing of the firing stage (within the official time limit) is the competitor’s responsibility. The Match Range officer will give 5 minute and 2-minute warnings.
Section VIII: Awards

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place (gold, silver, and bronze respectively) award medals will be awarded for prone, standing, kneeling and overall champion shooters for each Regional Match. Based on the Orion system scoring from the Regional events, the final Department Positional (prone, standing and kneeling) Champions will be determined, as will the Department’s Overall Champion. Each of the final Positional and Overall Champions will be invited to attend the Department Spring Conference in April 2021. During the Spring Conference General Session, each Champion will be recognized and presented a plaque. The Department Match Overall winner will also receive a $1,000.00 scholarship for a post-high school, state accredited, institution of higher learning of their choice.

Section IX: Information

Additional information regarding this match is available from the following points of contact (POC’s):

www.IndianaLegion.org

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The American Legion –
Department of Indiana
DISTRICTS (WITH COUNTIES LISTED) and MAP

1st District
Lake

2nd District
Benton
Carroll
Cass
Fulton
Jasper
Kosciusko
Newton
Porter
Pulaski
Starke
Tippecanoe
White

3rd District
Elkhart
LaPorte
Marshall
St. Joseph

4th District
Adams
Allen
DeKalb
Lagrange
Noble
Steuben
Wells
Whitley

5th District
Blackford
Clinton
Grant
Howard
Huntington
Jay
Madison
Miami
Tipton
Wabash

6th District
Boone
Fountain
Hamilton
Hendricks
Montgomery
Parke
Putnam
Vermillion
Vigo
Warren

7th District
Clay
Davies
Gibson
Greene
Johnson
Knox
Martin
Monroe
Morgan
Owen
Sullivan

8th District
Clark
Crawford
Dubois
Floyd
Harrison
Perry
Pike
Posey
Spencer
Vanderburgh
Warrick

9th District
Bartholomew
Brown
Dearborn
Franklin
Jackson
Jefferson
Jennings
Lawrence
Ohio
Orange
Ripley
Scott
Switzerland
Washington

10th District
Decatur
Delaware
Fayette
Hancock
Henry
Randolph
Rush
Shelby
Union
Wayne

11th District
Marion
1. **Course of Fire:** This match will consist of 30 rounds for record, fired at 10 meters (or approximately 33 feet). Match will be conducted in accordance with the 2019-2021 National Three-Position Air Rifle Rules.

2. **Targets will be fired in order prone, standing, and finally kneeling.** Targets used will be the CMP Orion Air Rifle Target.

3. Targets will be provided. **Pellets, shooting mats, rifles, kneeling rolls, and other equipment used by shooters must be furnished by each participating shooter.** Eye protection is required. Metallic sights will be the only type used in this match. Spotter scopes and/or binoculars are authorized but must be provided by the competitor.

4. Sweatshirts may be worn; however, no shooting jackets or trousers are authorized, in accordance with National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle rules. Only shoes of normal street type or light athletic shoes may be worn. No boots or bare feet.

5. Coaches may be on the range and are authorized to coach their shooters during zero rounds. During timed fire, there will be no coaching except in the event of a weapon malfunction.

6. All commands to commence firing will come from the Range NCOIC only. Any unsafe act can result in disqualification of the person committing the act. When moving to/from the firing line, the individual weapon will have a clear barrel indicator (CBI) inserted. Anyone seeing an unsafe act or condition should immediately call "Stop!" at which time all firing should cease **IMMEDIATELY!**

7. The number of firing points is still being determined. Once we have a complete shooter registration list and the number of firing points is determined, relays will be assigned and either mailed to coaches prior to competition or given to each coach upon your club’s arrival at the match site.

8. Any **challenges or questions** concerning match rules and their interpretations should be brought to the attention of the Match Director or Range Officer by the Club Coach.

9. **Shooters may not go to the firing line or leave the firing line until told to do so by the Match Director or Range Officer.**
Date: ____________________

1. (Team Name) _____________________________________________, wishes to participate in the following indicated Department of Indiana Air Rifle Championship Match (check one):

   □ Southern Region - Saturday, March 13, 2021 @ American Legion Post 70
   1125 Miller Ave.
   Shelbyville, IN 46176

   □ Northern Region – Sunday, March 14, 2021 @ Bass & Bucks
   4890 West Millcreek Pike
   Wabash, IN 46992

2. Our club will fire _____ shooters. (list of shooters MUST be provided on the following page.)

3. Match entry fee is $15.00 per participant shooter. Match entry fee payment MUST accompany entry form submission. Entry fee payment may be in the form of check or credit card information. ENTRY FEE PAYMENTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER FEBRUARY 26th, 2021!

4. Payment type (indicate check number or check one of the following as applicable)

   Check #: _______  Visa: ______  MasterCard: _____  Discover: _____
   NOTE: We do NOT accept American Express

   Credit Card Number: ______-_______-_______-_______  Exp. Date: ____/____

   Total Match fees being paid? (Number of Shooters X $15.00): $_________. ___

American Legion Affiliation: Post Number:__________  District:__________

Team Coach/Adult Supervisor Name: ____________________________________________

Team Point-of-Contact (POC) Name: ____________________________________________

Team POC Phone Number: ________________________________________________

Team POC Email Address: ______________________________________________________

For more information contact Dept. Program Director Butch Miller, at bmiller@indianalegion.org or (317) 630-1391
THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

2020-2021 AIR RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP
LIST OF SHOOTERS

Team Name: __________________________________________

1. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
2. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
3. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
4. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
5. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
6. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
7. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
8. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
9. ___________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________
10. _________________________________________ Shirt Size: __________

If necessary, attach additional sheet to list more shooters

MATCH REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 26, 2021:

Entry form (including list of shooters and payment) should be mailed to:

The Department of Indiana
Attn: Butch Miller
5440 Herbert Lord Road
Indianapolis, IN 46216

If registration is being paid by credit card - - -
you may email your entry form and list of shooters to bmiller@indianalegion.org;
Or, you can register directly online at www.indianalegion.org;
Or you may fax your entry to (317) 237-9891.

For more information contact Dept. Program Director Butch Miller, at bmiller@indianalegion.org or (317) 630-1391
YES! WE WANT TO AFFILIATE WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM (JSSP).

There is NO affiliation fee. Complete and return this form as instructed below.

Adult Leader:

Team/Club Name:

Team/Club Address: Street/City/State/Zip

Home Telephone: Work Telephone:

E-mail Address:

Sponsoring American Legion Post:

Sponsoring American Legion Post Address: Street/City/State/Zip

Signature of Adult Leader: Date:

Signature of Sponsoring American Legion Post Commander: Date:

Return to: The American Legion Department of Indiana • 5440 Herbert Lord Road • Indianapolis, IN 46216
Or email to: bmiller@indianalegion.org.
The American Legion, Department of Indiana
Program Online Background Check
Request Instructions

While The American Legion has the utmost trust and confidence in its staff and volunteers, the need for implementing such measures is a stark manifestation unfortunately reflective of today’s social reality. Any organization entrusted with the safety and welfare of youth must mitigate its overall risk and liability, and that of its participants and volunteers, by taking measures aimed at sustaining program integrity and safety.

To that end, the Department of Indiana now requires **all individuals, who have one on one contact with the participants of any Department sponsored and conducted youth program, to have a background check.** Instructions for requesting a background check online are given below. If you do not have online capability, contact Department Program Director Butch Miller at (317) 630-1391. Background checks are performed at no cost to the volunteer, and are valid for one (1) calendar year from the date of issuance.

Instructions for requesting a background check online.

1. Go to the background check request webpage (hold down “Ctrl” and click the link below) at [www.opportunities.averity.com/aldeprotoindiana](http://www.opportunities.averity.com/aldeprotoindiana).

2. You will be greeted by an “Introduction” text box. Select (click on), the “Current Opportunities” [program], in which you will be involved, and for which you wish to request a background check.

3. Once you have selected an “Opportunity”, the positions available will appear to the right in the text box. Select the position for which you are volunteering.

4. The “Position Details” text box will now appear. First, verify that the “Position” and “Department” information displayed in the box is correct for the program and position in which you will be involved. Second, you may select either the “More Info” or “Proceed” box.

5. If you choose the “More info” box, you will have the opportunity to submit a question or request additional information regarding the position you have selected. After doing so, the background request application will log you out.

6. Should you select the “Proceed” box; a “Summary of Rights” box will appear. You will first be asked to select a language of choice (English or Spanish), click on your applicable choice.

7. You will then be informed that you are submitting information to Protect Youth Sports, for the purpose of Disclosure and Authorization for Background Investigation to be completed on behalf of American Legion Dept Indiana. You will be asked, “Yes” or “No”, if you wish to continue? If you select “No”, you will exit the background request application. If you choose “Yes”, you will continue.

8. Next, complete the background request questionnaire fill-in form. When finished, select the “Next” box.
9. The next screen will ask the following questions;

   a. "With what post number is your team affiliated?" Enter the number of the American Legion Post, Auxiliary Unit or SAL Squadron, as applicable, to which you belong.

   b. "Is this a junior or senior baseball team?" If your background check request is associated with an American Legion baseball team, select "Junior" or "Senior", as applicable. For all other programs, select "Senior".

   Once both questions have been answered, click on the "Next" box.

10. The Authorization page will now appear. Click on "I agree" and enter your full legal name.

11. Click on the "Submit" box to complete your background check request application.

**NOTE:** Should you have any questions or concerns, contact Butch Miller at (317) 630-1391.
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