

AMERY WARRIOR SHOOTING CLUB

Mission Statement

The Amery Warrior Shooting Club is an educational-athletic organization that exists to introduce school-age youth to the clay target sports and to facilitate their continued involvement by providing, promoting, and perpetuating opportunities to safely and enjoyably participate and compete in a high-quality, team-based sport led by trained adult coaches focused on enhancing the personal growth and development of their athletes.

Program Goals:

- Teach the safe and responsible handling and use of firearms.
- * Provide a supportive team-based environment, using clay target sports as the catalyst, for teaching life lessons and skills that emphasize positive character traits and citizenship values.
- * Introduce young shooters to a sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime, one that offers a level playing field, and one that offers all family members an opportunity to play.

Program Focus:

The club is a TEAM-BASED program, focusing on youth individual development. Participation should be fun and there is no place on youth individual development. Participation should be fun and there is no place for a win at all cost attitudes.

Program Scope:

The club currently offers participation in the American disciplines of Trap. We are also a registered American Skeet and Sporting Clays discipline.

Program Sponsors:

Amery School District
The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF)
Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP).

Host Facility:

Amery Gun Club

Participant Eligibility:

- * Students must be enrolled in senior high school or an equivalent home School program in the Amery School District.
- * All athletes must be academically eligible to participate in their school's extra-curricular sports programs.
- * High School athletes must not have graduated or have not reached their 19th birthday by October 1st of the current shooting year.
- * All students must have completed an approved Safety Course by age 11 or older. Shooters may also be approved by way of a letter of intent *or* proof of registration during the current shooting year *or* demonstrate a firearm handling competence as approved by the head coach.
- * All participants must sign and agree to the Code of Conduct for both the Amery School District and the SCTP.

Competitive Unit:

A team is defined as one or more individual Athletes registered by and guided by a Head Coach. There is no limit to the number of Athletes and a team may compete in one or all disciplines. The team is broken into competition squads. The squad size for American Trap

is five (5). The squad size for American Skeet, Sporting Clays, and the Olympic disciplines of Trap, Double/Wobble Trap and International Skeet is three (3). There is no limit to the number of members on a team roster or to the number of squads a team may field.

State Competitive Divisions:

Rookie Division – 5th graders and younger
Intermediate Division – Grades 6-8 – Beginner and Advanced Levels
Senior Division – Grades 9-12 – Jr Varsity and Varsity Levels

Conference Competitive Divisions:

Rookie/Intermediate – 2 levels

- Beginners - All rookie and first year shooters grade 8 and under
- Intermediate - All second year shooters grade 8 and under

Senior Division – 2 levels

- Junior Varsity - All first year shooters grade 12 and under
- Varsity – All second year shooters grade 12 and under

(* note- coaches allowed leeway on division placement of shooters based on overall ability)

Competitive Opportunities:

Local, Conference, Non-Conference, State, and National

Practice Round

Team Members must attend a minimum of SIX (6) Team practice sessions in order to be eligible to shoot in any competition event including a SCTP State or National Championship event representing that team.

Supervision at Events:

For all events (practices, matches, etc.), team members must be under the Supervision of the Team’s Head Coach or a designated Assistant Coach/Adult Volunteer. Violation of this rule voids the Liability Insurance Policy coverage, disqualifies the team from entering or participating in any event and may result in the removal of the Head Coach from the team.

Appropriate Shooting Attire:

Participants, whether Athlete, Coach, or Adult Volunteer, represents not only the Amery School District, but also the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation, and the entire Scholastic Clay Target Program and the team’s host sponsor, at all levels of competition. Promoting a positive image is in the best interest of everyone involved. Appropriate dress for everyone associated goes a very long way in making a positive impression.

- * TOPS – Shirts must be clean and have short or long sleeves. Items of clothing that expose any part of the torso are prohibited. These include, but are not limited to, cutoff T-shirts, halter tops, tank tops, etc.
- * BOTTOMS – Pants/Shorts must be clean and have no higher than six (6) inches above the knee. Short shorts and low riding shorts or pants revealing undergarments or buttocks are prohibited.
- * Footwear – Shooting in flip-flops or opened-toe shoes/sandals is prohibited. Full cover shoes or boots with socks only.
- * CLOTHING ADORNMENTS – Shirts, hats, pants – any clothing – and any other associated items carried, worn, etc., with pictures, caricatures, designs, messages, writings, or other embellishments with direct or indirect references to alcohol, tobacco, sex or sexual connotations, drugs, gambling or profanities are strictly prohibited.

Required Eye and Ear Protection:

ALL registered team athletes, coaches, parents and anyone on the shooting field MUST wear EYE AND EAR PROTECTION during ALL practice and competitive events.

Special Safety Rules:

Always treat every gun as if it is loaded. Always show clear and control your muzzle

- School grounds: Absolutely no guns or ammunition are allowed on school grounds ever. This includes car storage. It's the law.
- Open Actions: All guns outside the actual shooting station on any host site grounds will be handled or stored in such a way to clearly show the action open/clear at all times
- Muzzle Control: While on any host site grounds especially noted while any shooting post or station, the muzzle must never cross any part of the shooter's anatomy or any other person's anatomy. Violation of this rule may be grounds for immediate disqualification.
- Toe Pads: The use of a shooting toe pad is forbidden. It is a violation to rest the muzzle on the foot.

Allowable Equipment:

Shotgun: Any shotgun action type, 12 gauge or smaller, may be used as long as it is in a safe and serviceable condition. Shotguns used for all the disciplines, except for Trap, must be able to shoot twice without requiring it to be reloaded.

Reloads: Reloads are ALLOWED for practices and competitions, provided they comply with the discipline's NGB rule for payload weight and velocity. Hudson Rod and Gun limits shot sizes to that of 7.5, 8, 8.5, and 9 in target velocities or to published reloading velocities not to exceed 1300fps

Conduct:

ALL individuals REGISTERED with the SCTP (Athletes, Head Coaches, and Assistant Coaches/Adult Volunteers) and those ASSOCIATED with the SCTP (Parents and family members, et al.). MUST comply with the conduct requirements stated in the Sportsmanship Code of Conduct Contracts and the Amery High School Code of Conduct. Acts of using abusive or profane language, displaying unsportsmanlike conduct (includes but not limited to: arguing with coaches, unsafe handling/use of firearms; disrupting a competitor; cheating, etc.), consuming alcohol or using non-prescribed drugs before or during any SCTP activity are prohibited, will not be tolerated, and are grounds for automatic disqualification, suspension, and/or expulsion from the program. All decisions by Coaches or Officials are final and are without appeal.

IMPORTANT! PLEASE NOTE:

Breaches of the SPIRIT as well as the LETTER of all rules including stipulations in both Code(s) of Conduct Contracts WILL be grounds for SUSPENSION or EXPULSION from the program. Infractions of a National Governing Body's rules will be considered the same as an infraction of Amery School District or SCTP

rules and vice-versa. Any sanctions imposed by the School, an NGB, the State and/or other local program will be recognized and enforced by the Coaches and the SCTP National Program Staff.

HONOR THE GAME, TREAT OTHERS WITH RESPECT, AND FOLLOW THE RULES!

Team Funding:

The Amery Warrior Shooting Club is responsible for its own funding, including practice, travel, and all shooting costs. The following fees are prepaid and non-refundable:

- \$25 - Foundation and Insurance fee – all participants
- \$35 -Maintenance of the Amery Gun Club
- \$60 - \$3 per round of 25 clay targets –

Based on 10-week conference schedule w/practices

(note: this fee does not include any internal fun shoots, tournament, regional, state or national shoots)

Other:

- Students are required to provide the host club with service activity hours within the shooting year.
- Guns, shells, vests, shell catchers and other accessories are the responsibilities of the student shooter
- Shooters will be expected to take advantage of all fund-raising events to lower shooting or travel costs

Shooting Schedule - All practices will typically be on Sundays and start at 4:00 pm at the Amery Gun Club. Make up practices by coach pre-appointment.

Our approach with this team is with the same attitude and expectation that the Warrior football, basketball or any other coached team for that matter would be.... We expect all team members to be at practices and at any shooting meets. Plan ahead. If you can't possibly make it then it is expected that you call the coach ahead to let them know and plan for making the time up when possible.

Our normal team shooting year will begin the end of March and run thru the state shoot which is generally held towards the end of June. That does not mean we cannot shoot at other times of the year as an organized team. There are shoots that can be attended year-round.

Current Conference Schedule:

- Mar 7th** – Warrior Formal Squad Practice – x3 rounds (classroom if inclement weather)
- Mar 21st** – Warrior Formal Squad Practice – x3 rounds
- Mar 28th** – Warrior Formal Squad Practice – x3 rounds

April 4th Week. – Begin week 1 of Conference Shooting (tentative start based on 8 conference teams)

- April 11th** – **Week 2 of Conference Shooting**
- April 18th** – **Week 3 of Conference Shooting**
- April 25th** – **Week 4 of Conference Shooting**
- May 2nd** – **Week 5 of Conference Shooting**
- May 9th** – **Week 6 of Conference Shooting**
- May 16th** – **Week 7 – Last week of Conference Shooting with 8 team league**
- May 23rd** – **Week 8 - Practice week or Last week of Conference Shooting with 9 team leagues**