

**OMAHA SKUTT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
SKYHAWK TRAPSHOOTING
EQUIPMENT LIST**

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- 12 Gauge Shotgun (The use of any other gauge should be discussed with Coach)
- Hearing Protection - **MANDATORY**
- Eye Protection – **MANDATORY**
- Shooting vest, shell bag or other means to hold 25 shells while at the line.
- Shell bag for spent shells.
- Cap to shade from sun.
- Shotgun Shells (Based on the practice and competition schedule each shooter will use approximately 101 boxes of shells. This can vary due to increased practice and the possibility of competitive shoot-offs.) Recommended shells are 12 gauge, 1 or 1¹/₈ oz. shot, 2³/₄ dram powder, 7, 7¹/₂ or 8 shot.
- Shell catcher for those shooters shooting semi-automatic shotguns.

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APPROXIMATE COST & FEE PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

APPROXIMATE COSTS

The following costs are ***APPROXIMATE*** and are provided to give you an idea of the costs associated with trapshooting season for each shooter.

ECTC Meet Entry Fees:	\$120.00	(6 Meets @ \$20.00 each)
All Conference Shoot:	\$10.00	(All Conference Shoot)
Coaches General Gun Club Improvement Fee	\$20.00	New traps and equipment fee
State Meet Entry Fee:	\$ 0	(Team will pay \$32.00 State entry fee for all qualifying Skutt Catholic shooters)
Shotgun Shells:	\$505.00	(Based on \$5.00 per box. This can vary depending on type of shell used)
Practice Rocks:	\$ 100.00	(Based on 1625 rocks)
TOTAL:	\$755.00	(Costs are Approximate!)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The following is the payment schedule to handle all fees associated with the program.

<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Notes</u>
	\$ 120.00	Non-refundable fee paid to gun club for practice rocks and general gun club improvement fees. Make check payable to Papillion Gun Club.
	\$120.00	ECTC Meet Entry Fees for six ECTC shoots. If it is known by the coaches that a meet will be missed due to pre-approved circumstances, this fee will be \$20.00 per attended meet. Make check payable to Lee White-Hamilton – Trap

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RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

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GUN SAFETY

Safety is the primary concern of all coaches and shooters. Every shooter must follow general gun safety rules at all times. Some additional safety concerns specific to trap shooting include the following:

- Muzzles **must** always be pointed at the ground, with the gun unloaded and the action open or gun broken other than when actually shooting at your rock.
- Shooters shall load their guns with only one shell at a time and a shooter may **not** load until the prior shooter has shot.
- When changing stations all shooters shall walk behind other shooters, never in front.
- All shooters shall have guns unloaded with action open and muzzle pointed at the ground anytime an individual is leaving or approaching the trap house or the red flag is visible.
- All shooters must wear ear and eye protection when shooting.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- All shooters must provide a Nebraska Hunter Safety Certificate Number.
- All shooters must make arrangements to provide their own shotgun, generally a 12-gauge shotgun. The use of other gauges should be discussed with a coach.
- All shooters must provide their own shell pouch or vest, ear and eye protection and shotgun shells.
- All shooters are required to stay current in terms of payments associated with practice rocks and meet registration fees. Payment schedule will be provided.
- All shooters are required to make their own arrangements in regards to transportation to and from practice and meets.
- The use of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco is prohibited.

PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS

Practice schedules for the entire season have been handed out to each shooter. Practice should be considered to be as scheduled unless you are notified differently.

- Practice will take place regardless of weather conditions unless driving conditions are adversely affected. In-week practices will be cancelled if school is cancelled.
- All shooters are required to attend all practices and arrive on time and remain until practice is completed. Should circumstances arise preventing you from attending practice coaches should be notified in advance.

- All shooters must assist in setting trap, loading, pulling and scoring, cleaning up, etc. as assigned.

MEET REQUIREMENTS

We will shoot in six (6) Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC) North Divisional Meets, one (1) All-Conference Meet and one (1) State Championship Meet during the season. Meets are located as shown on the 2009 Season Schedule. Further information will be provided at a future parents meeting.

- Shooters are expected to shoot in all six ECTC Meet. Shooters must participate in 5 of the 6 ECTC Meets in order to be included in official ECTC statistics and shoot in the All-Conference Meet and State Championship Meet.
- NO SHOOTER WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE GUN CLUB PREMISES AT ANY TIME DURING A MEET. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Shooters will be notified arrival time at a meet and must show up on time.
- Shooters are responsible to check-in with their assigned coach to receive squad and handicap yardage information at a meet.
- Shooters are responsible to make sure Coach Larsen receives all individual scoring information prior to the conclusion of a meet.
- Shooters are responsible for ensuring they are at the proper trap at the proper time.
- During the afternoon handicap shooting period, parents will be needed to assist in scoring.
- Shooters must notify a coach at the end of the meet prior to leaving.

SQUADING

Certain shooters within the team will be identified as having Varsity status. Varsity shooters will be those identified to have the highest potential and commitment to the sport. These individuals will be required to compete and practice within a highly structured environment conducive to building a proficient team. Varsity shooters will be required to practice and compete together as a unit.

Varsity status will be determined on an individual basis for shooters by the varsity coach. Varsity status can be removed from an individual should they fail to meet the rules and requirements of the program. Varsity status will be recognized as such within the program and generally, only those shooters with varsity status are eligible to letter subject to the decision of the lettering committee.

COACHING STAFF

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Mary Jo Rump - **Team Manager**

Ron Koliha – **Assistant Coach**

Mike Larsen – **Assistant Coach**

Bill Galley – **Assistant Coach**

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LETTERING CRITERIA**

The following is the criteria that will be used by the Lettering Committee for selection of those individual shooters that will receive a Letter for achievement in Trapshooting. Letters will be awarded at the end of the season. The following criteria will be considered:

PARTICIPATION FOLLOWING THE OMAHA SKUTT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL TRAP TEAM CODE OF CONDUCT (Code of conduct applies at all team events; practice, Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC) Shoots and Cornhusker Cup)

-AND-

A MEMBER OF THE VARSITY TRAP TEAM MEETING THE SHOOTING QUALIFICATIONS OF THE EASTERN CORNHUSKER TRAPSHOOTING CONFERENCE

-OR-

FINISHING THE SEASON RANKED IN THE TOP 10% OF THE ECTC AVERAGE SCORES
(Male or Female Division)

-OR-

FINISHING IN THE TOP 10% OF THE NEBRASKA CORNHUSKER CUP AVERAGE SCORES
(Male or Female Division)

-OR-

WINNER OF AN EVENT AT THE NEBRASKA CORNHUSKER CUP SHOOT

-AND-

PARTICIPATION AT PRACTICE INCLUDING ASSISTING IN TRAP LOADING, SCORING, PULLING AND OTHER ASSIGNED DUTIES

-OR-

DEEMED BY THE LETTERING COMMITTEE TO HAVE SHOWN AN EXCEPTIONAL COMMITMENT AND HIGH LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION ENSURING THE SUCCESS OF THE TRAP TEAM

2009 LETTERING COMMITTEE

Criteria Established By: A. Lee White-Hamilton – Head Coach

Coach: Bill Galley
Coach: Ron Koliha
School: Mike McMahon

Team: Joe Pachunka
Derek Hochstein

The Lettering Committee reserves the right to make all final decisions on lettering awards.

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CODE OF CONDUCT**

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TEAM ACTIVITIES: All students participating in the team activities are representing not only themselves, but also their school and community in all their actions. With this in mind, we expect that all of our students' actions reflect a positive position towards each other, our opponents, and the training obligations which are an accepted part of team activities. There shall be an immediate suspension from team activities if it is determined by the head coach, sponsor or activities coordinator that a student has broken the laws of the State of Nebraska (except minor traffic violations); maliciously destroyed property; had possession of or used tobacco, alcohol, or drugs; or been guilty of other conduct unbecoming a student involved in activities. All violations that constitute "conduct unbecoming a student involved in team activities" should be reported by any team official, by any student, or by any parent to the team coordinator, director, sponsor, or head coach. Violations, by reason of "conduct unbecoming a student involved in team activities," may be reported by any team official when the severity of the violations is deemed to merit reporting. Actions taken toward a team member shall be the sole discretion of the head coach.

DATE: _____ **SIGNATURE OF STUDENT:** _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____

SKYHAWK TRAP TEAM

SHOOTING OUTSIDE THE ECTC

In addition to practice and Eastern Cornhusker Trapshooting Conference (ECTC) high school competition, SkyHawk trap team members are encouraged to shoot as much as possible in outside competitions. The following highlights various shooting opportunities available to team members.

AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION (ATA)

The Amateur Trapshooting Association (ATA) holds numerous meets throughout the year at locations throughout the United States including many in Nebraska. In order to shoot in these events members must be a registered ATA member. Members compete based on age, shooting experience and shooting expertise. ATA competitions are generally done on an individual basis as opposed to squads. Please speak with Coach White-Hamilton or Coach Kopocis prior to becoming an ATA member since the method in which you join and the number of registered rocks you shoot has an impact on the classification in which you will shoot in upcoming events.

SCHOLASTIC CLAY TARGET PROGRAM (SCTP)

The Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) has been developed in conjunction with the ATA and the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) to offer competition for Junior shooters to compete at a regional and national level as a squad against other Junior squads. Squads can qualify to shoot at the national level through competition at the state level. It is the desire of the SkyHawk Trap Team to form squads to compete at the State level anticipating advancement to the national level.

The tentative dates for the Nebraska State Championship to be held in Doniphan, Nebraska are June 24 – 29, 2009.

The scheduled dates for the National SCTP Championship to be held in Sparta, Illinois are August 7 – 9, 2009. These are the first two dates of the ATA Grand which continues until August 14, 2009.

WASP-B LEAGUE

The WASP-B League allows shooters from Wahoo, Ashland, Nebraska City, Papillion and Bellevue Gun Clubs to shoot as individuals representing their respective gun clubs. This league is available to both junior and adult shooters. Shooters shoot 50 Singles targets per meet at a cost of \$10.00 per shooter.

PAPILLION GUN CLUB MEAT SHOOTS

The Papillion Gun Club hosts four annual meat shoots open to the public every year. Three of the shoots are held in the fall of the year and one, the St. Patrick's Day Shoot is held in the spring. During these shoots juniors and/or adults shoot one target from each post in attempt to win a meat prize of their choice such as turkeys, hams, bacon or salami for a \$4.50 entry fee. Shooters may shoot as many times as they wish. The 2009 St. Patrick's Day Shoot is scheduled for March 15, 2009.

PGC TUESDAY NIGHT SUMMER LEAGUE

Papillion Gun Club is the location for an eight-week Tuesday Summer League for team members, parents and those directly associated with a school team using the Papillion Gun Club as their practice facility. During the eight nights of shooting, squads shoot against other squads by totaling their scores for a 25-rock singles event, 25-rock handicap event and a 25-rock modified handicap event in order to accumulate points. At the end of the season squads earn medals and gift certificates based on points. More information will be provided near the end of the ECTC season regarding the Summer League.