

Monroe County 4-H Earns Fifth at State BB Match



Six Monroe County 4-H members and their coaches competed at the 2018 State BB Match held February 2 & 3 at the Arkansas 4-H Center in Little Rock. The competition is open to all youth ages eight to 15 who have completed the Daisy Shooting Education Program or an “equivalent” safety course of instruction. The match consists of 40 shots for record fired at five meters in four stages with a 10 minute limit for each stage. The four positions or stages are prone, standing, sitting, and kneeling. There is also a written test. Each stage and the test are equal to 100 points for a total of 500 points possible.

The team started practices in October and practiced two nights a week. For several team members this was their first shooting competition but they all shot like pros! All shooters outshot their practice averages. Elizabeth Velasco won two individual overall medals, third in the prone position and second in sitting. She was ranked seventh overall individual out of 146 shooters. Team member Sarah Jacques earned a trophy for being one of two individuals who scored a 96%, the highest score on the written exam. Coaches and parents alike are very proud of the team and their achievement.

The Bumble BBs comprised of Elizabeth Velasco, Lauralee Jarrett, Pablo Velasco, Sarah Jacques, Aiden Grizzle, and John Jarrett, competed against 146 other shooters making up 29 teams.

The Bumble BBs were coached by Head Coach Robert Jarrett and County Extension Agent Valerie Turner, along with lots of parental support.

The youth and coaches of the Monroe County 4-H Shooting teams would like to say thank you to the City of Clarendon and the Brinkley Chamber of Commerce for providing places for the group to practice and the financial support of NRA, Helena Soybean Project, and the citizens of Monroe County.

For more information about 4-H, contact the Monroe County Extension office at 870-747-3397. The Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service offers its programs to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, disability, marital or veteran status, genetic information, or any other legally protected status, and is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Names from picture to the right:

Pictured from left to right back row: R. Jarrett

Middle row: Lauralee, Sarah, Aiden

Front row: Pablo, John, Elizabeth

