


2011 FFA Shoot Participant Information - Lynden Shotgun Club

The FFA shoot sponsored by the Lynden Shotgun Club is designed to offer young people an opportunity to participate in an organized shotgun shooting activity and to learn shotgun-shooting skills.

Shoot Dates: See website: <http://www.lyndenshotgunclub.com/calendar.html>

Shoot Times: Sep 27 5pm-8:30pm & Oct 4, 11 & 18 4pm-8:30pm Last squad sign-up: 8pm sharp

Per Round (25 targets/shots) Range Fee: \$4.50

Safety Requirements

All FFA shooters will be required to attend mandatory safety briefing before being allowed to shoot; no exceptions.

Safety is the first concern at any shooting event held at the Lynden Shotgun Club. The briefing will cover both personal safety requirements (eye and ear protection) and firearms handling safety. Shooters only need to attend one briefing; however, they must do so BEFORE being allowed to participate in the four-week event.

Safety briefings will be held on a first-come first-served basis beginning at 5:00 pm on September 27 with a make-up on October 4. Late-arriving shooters who miss the 5:00 pm safety briefing may be significantly delayed until they can attend a make-up briefing later in the evening.

Instructions for the participant – only those who do all of the following will be allowed to shoot.

1. Return a correctly filled out FFA Range Use Agreement and if under 18 a valid parent or guardian signature.
2. Participate in one of the safety orientations given on the 1st or make-up on the 2nd shoot date.
3. Observe the range rules while participating in this shoot.
4. Use eye and ear protection on the range.
5. Supply your own shotgun in good operating condition in 12, 16, 20, 28, or 410 gauges. You may use a single shot, double barrel, pump action or automatic shotgun. 12 gauge is the most popular gauge for trap shooting. 16, 20, 28 gauge, and .410 are all acceptable. Exposed hammer shotguns are strongly discouraged due to the hazard of an accidental misfire while cocking or de-cocking. *The club reserves the right to refuse to allow a shooter to use a firearm that in the sole judgment of the Range Officer is unsafe on the range or that can not be safely operated by the shooter.*
6. Supply of ammunition of the correct gauge and type. Loads must be non-magnum, with no more than 1½ ounce of lead, loaded with 7½, 8, 8½ or 9 shot, and no more than 2¾ inches long (see more information on the next page).
7. Shooters must wear a pouch or vest or a bag that holds 25 rounds of live ammunition at waist level. Nail bags that meet the requirement are available free at the club. *Shooters will not be allowed to set live ammunition on the ground during a round of trap.*

Make arrangements to have use of all the required (underlined) equipment above, and that it is in good working condition. You will not be able to shoot if you don't have them.

The club can provide some equipment (some equipment availability is limited) for a small rental fee.

Eye Protection: Glasses are acceptable eye protection. Safety glasses are available for \$1.00/pair rental + \$4.00 refundable deposit.

- Ear protection:** Ear plugs are available for 25¢ and are required outside the clubhouse.
- Shotgun:** Several club shotguns are available on a free loan basis, but availability is not assured.
- Shooting Pouches:** The club has a few shooting pouches available for use free. Pouches can also be purchased at sporting goods stores or Wal-Mart. Prices are variable but can be as low as \$15. A hunting vest with shell pockets is also suitable. Finally a nail-pouch can also be used and is available at the club, but supply is limited. *Shooters will not be allowed to set live ammo or boxes of ammo on the ground.*
- Ammunition:** The range sells 12, 20, 28 gauge and .410 ammo at competitive prices. Note that 28 gauge and 410 shells are significantly more expensive than other gauges. The range does not stock 16 gauge ammunition.

More about ammunition

Ammunition is sold in a variety of types and sizes. Not all ammunition that can be purchased for your shotgun is appropriate for this activity. If you are not familiar with shotgun ammunition, here is what to look for. This information is always listed on the outside of each box of ammunition.

- Gauge:** Gauge that matches the gauge of your gun. Either 12 gauge, 16 gauge, 20 gauge, 28 gauge or .410.
- Shot Size & Weight:** Buy only 7½, 8, 8½ or 9 shot. Other sizes are not allowed on the range. Note: 7½ or 8 shot is ideal for this activity. Maximum amount of shot is 1⅛ oz.
- Type & Length:** 2¾ inch only (Non-Magnum). (.410 ammunition may be 3 inch.)

Additional Questions? Call the Lynden Shotgun Club (*check hours on website*): (360) 354-2331