

Let it Fly

Bill Orr joined the Optimist Club and talked about the Youth Trap Shooting Program. The Treynor program is in it's second year.

This year the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is promoting the Scholastic Clay Target Program.

Last year the Treynor team they had little competition. This year Harlan, Tri-Center, Guthrie Center, and Corning have competition teams.

Adam Fenn is an assistant coach for the Trap Shooting Team. He has a regulation trap field in his back yard, where they shoot into a corn field. Competitions are usually at Harlan, since they have a regular field.

The youth participate in three types of clay shoots. They are Trap, Skeet, and Sporting Clays. Trap competitions consist of a single thrower that throws the clays o the left, center, or right. Skeet competitions use two throwers thrown from 8 different positions. Sometimes two clays are thrown and the competitor must shoot each one. Sporting clay competitions consist of a different type of target at each station. Most of the competitions are in Trap.

Competitions are from March through June. The cost of clays and shotgun shells make the program somewhat expensive for participants. The Treynor team needs a local practice field, since available trap shoot ranges are quite distant, preventing weekly practice at them.
