

## **Coweta 4-H Sharpshooters Capture First Place at National Air Rifle Competition**

Coweta 4-H Sharpshooters finished first in their age group, 13 and under, at the 2077 Daisy/USJCC Junior Open Air Gun Championships. The 2007 championship matches were held on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Team members were Emilee Brinton, Dana Stoneroad, Shelby Stoneroad, and Hunter Kirbow.

The Coweta County team was leading by 23 points at the end of the first day of the competition, but continued to widen their lead on day two. They finished the match with an impressive 3, 659 points to distance themselves from second place finishers from Montana, 3566 and the third place team from Cherokee County, Georgia, 3548.

Dana Stoneroad led the team effort with a score of 971. She was followed by Shelby Stoneroad, 949, Emilee Brinton, 912 and Hunter Kirbow, 827.

This was the first match for the Coweta team after only five weeks of practice shooting sporter air rifles. Each of the team members had previously competed for the Coweta 4-H BB Gun Team in state and national competitions. The sporter air rifle competition is a more advanced form of competition necessitating greater skill and endurance. Shooters fired 120 shots shoulder-to-shoulder with eighty-nine shooters from around the country during the two day match.



(Kneeling L to R) Dana Stoneroad, Shelby Stoneroad  
(Standing L to R) Emilee Brinton, Hunter Kirbow



(L to R) Hunter Kirbow, Emilee Brinton, Shelby Stoneroad, Dana Stoneroad