

### 4-H BB Team Competes at State

The Barrow County 4-H Project Safe (BB team) finished its season on a high note. In 4-H the project safe acronym stands for shooting awareness, fun and education. The program promotes responsibility, decision-making and identifying realistic, personal goals. The BB Gun activity is open for 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade 4-H'ers. The shooters are required to shoot in the standing, sitting, kneeling and prone position from 5 meters as well as take a written safety test to test their knowledge of gun safety.

Ten 4-H'ers shot this year with 8 qualifying to compete at the State Match at Rock Eagle on May 2. The state Match had over 577 shooters from 88 teams in Georgia. The Barrow County team tied for 12<sup>th</sup> place. Brandon Thomas won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the prone position (out of 577 shooters) with a score of 99 out of a 100. He also tied for 12<sup>th</sup> place overall in the four shooting positions and safety test. In addition, Trey Banks was one of 61 shooters to earn a perfect score of a 100 on his safety test



Team members include (left to right) : Briana Reddick, Briana Shelton, Ashlee Banks, Trey Banks, Cody Perkins, Noah Chapman, Dana Bowen, and Brandon Thomas. Not pictured are James Hardigree and Brandon Barrera. The coaches pictured in the back: Al Bowen, John Davis, and Barry Thomas.



Brandon Thomas receiving his award for first place in the state in Prone position.