

# at trap range

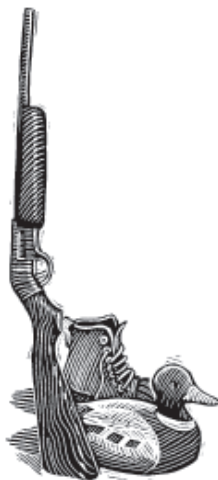
Colby's range features automatic machines that can hold up to 480 clay pigeons, a skeet trap and wobble trap stand and micro-phones that allow the shooter to simply yell "pull" and have the targets to fly out.

"In the past, you had have someone put the targets in themselves," said Luck. "You'd have to move your hand quick or it might get cut off. This is much safer and allows people to come out and shoot by themselves if they choose."

The Colby Trap Club is open to the public from 1-4 p.m. every Sunday, but is also open by appointment for groups that want to go out and shoot on a week night. Shooters bring their own ammunition, and a round of 25 targets costs \$5.50.

The Oakley range is two miles south and one mile east of town. Oakley has an award-winning gun club and shooting range run by Terry Hockersmith. He can be reached at 672-4296

Goodland's range is just north of Renner Field on Caldwell Avenue. It's open Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Unlike Colby, Goodland's range is just an Amateur Trap Association range and doesn't have skeet or wobble trap. A membership costs \$20 and those would like to shoot are asked to contact manager Rick Jorgensen at 890-2441.



Located right next to Sappa Park off U.S. 36, Oberlin's range is open every third Sunday of the month. They have two regular trap shoots, but don't have skeet ranges. Oberlin has a big shoot from 12-5 p.m. on Nov. 2.

"It's the day before pheasant season begins in Kansas, so we always have a big crowd," said Oberlin range owner Gary Bruggeman. Bruggeman can be contacted at 475-3042.

St. Francis' club, half a mile south of town, features two automatic trap throwers and a 100-yard rifle range. St. Francis shoots on Wednesday nights and some Saturday evenings. A membership is \$15, but non members are welcome. However, a membership gets you targets for seven cents each, as oppose to 10 cents for nonmembers. Those interested in

shooting in St. Francis should contact Tim Stimbart at 332-5544.

Atwood's club, the Rawlins County Sportsman's Association, is just northwest of town in Blakeman. A single membership is \$20 and family membership is \$30.

Hoxie's Blue Rock Range is north of town next to the airport. Anyone interested in shooting should contact Tony Haffner at 685-3833. At Norton's range just southwest of town, a membership is \$10. Contact Kay Snodgrass at 877-3647 for more information.

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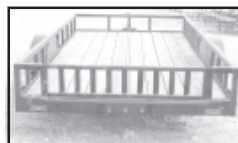
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