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**Essex, Missouri -** Richland High School Clay Shoot Team recently competed against the Dexter Police Department at a competition at the Dexter Shooting Range.

The Richland students participated in the Spring Break 'Em Tournament on April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Poplar Bluff Gun Club. This was the second meet that the Rebels had competed in and interest in the program is so large that they had to split the team into A and B squads for the tournament.

"I am very proud of this team," stated head coach Jarrot Basler. "We have learned and grown vastly together since our first practice in September. With us having all freshmen and sophomore athletes this year will be bringing an even more competitive team for the 2015-2016 school year."

Josh Shidler finished second overall out of 66 participants while shooting in the Spring Break 'Em Tournament. It was only the second time Shidler had ever competed in a competition.

"Josh picked up a shotgun for the first time in September at our first practice," said Basler. "He was at the middle to low end of the squad at first. He improved his form and set the goal of being the top shot. Through hard work and

determination he saw his goal come to fruition."

Shown in the photo are front row from left to right: Ben Pearce, Josh Shidler, Megan Cullum, Garet Phillips, and Lane Brown. Back row from left to right are Clayton Harriel, Gerlynn Grossius, Josh Boyet, Shawn Knox, and Luke Rhodes.

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