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Alex Nelson (left) and Jesse Thoreson, members of the Iron County 4-H Sharp Shooters, have been selected to represent Michigan as part of the air rifle team in the 4-H Shooting Sports National Invitational in June in Nebraska. (Marvin Hill photo)

AMASA—Two Iron County competition shooters have been selected for the 4-H Shooting Sports National Invitational in Grand Island, Neb. __PUBLIC__

Alex Nelson and Jesse Thoreson will be members of the Michigan Shooting Sports Team to compete on June 23-28. They will join two other air rifle shooters from Lower Michigan who have also been selected.

Alex, 16, is from Iron River and a student at West Iron County. Jesse, 17, is from Amasa and a student at Forest Park. Competing with the Iron County 4-H Sharp Shooters team, both have consistently placed in the top five shooters at the U.P. Regional and State tournaments.

To participate in the 4-H Shooting Sports National Invitational, they submitted an application with a resume along with recommendations from their Iron County 4-H leaders and coaches to the MSUE Shooting Sports Director in Lansing.

Alex and Jesse have spent many hours at the Amasa Area Recreation Center shooting range. Currently, there are 21 members in the Iron County 4-H Sharp Shooters under the direction of certified instructor Marvin Hill and leaders Dawn Thoreson, Jeff Hansen, Melissa Marcell and Cindy Absolon.

The club will be doing a number of fundraisers throughout the upcoming months to assist in paying expenses for the trip to the 4-H Shooting Sports National Invitational in Grand Island, Neb.