

The Newsletter

West Walker Sportsman's Club

September 2017

O-599 LEONARD NW, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Mail Address: P.O. Box 141104 Grand Rapids, MI 49514

Clubhouse: 453-5081 Memberships: 498-1545

> President: Mike Kowalski

Vice President: Char Willyard

Secretary: Michael Kohl

Treasurer: Rick Zandstra

Trustees: Terry Westedt Chris Ferrari Dan Handy

Charter Meeting Sept 14 – 7:30pm

Board Meeting Sept 26 - 7:00pm

Indoor Archery Skeet & Trap Wed 9a-12, 6p-10 Sat 10a-2p Sun 10a-2p

Ranges & Outdoor Archery Mon-Sat 9a-7:30p Sunday 10a-7:30p

Newsletter Editor: Char Willyard

Support and Pray For Our Troops

From the President.....

In case you did not know it, there is a monthly club handgun shoot that is really gaining in popularity. Every month, for quite some time now, Gloria Vonderheide has been putting this novelty shoot on. She has not been doing it by herself however. The help she is getting from other people is truly amazing. The last shoot had 25 entries! Way to go guys. How the shoot works is every month she picks a different fun theme for the shoot. Then she creates some truly amazing targets to go along with the theme. Last month it was The Alien Invasion. Don't start running around and screaming the sky is falling in! Our crack contestants more than fought off this invasion, but someday they might be back. So be on the lookout. Then after the shooting, everyone goes up to the club house where there is food; awards, prizes and lots of fun!

September's fun shoot is "Gloria's Birthday Blast!" Turns out she is going to be 65 years old. Congratulations Gloria. The shoot is going to be taking place on September 23 at 3:00pm. There are three ways to sign up. One is in the Range Office. Another is up by the shotgun desk in the clubhouse. Also you can call 453-5081 to let her know you want in on the action. You must be a club member to participate in this event. The cost is \$10. And you do not need to pre pay.

Gloria has a huge support group to help her put these novelty shoots on. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for helping out. This is what makes WWSC such a great place. I hope to see you there. To quote Vince Lombardi, football coaching legend, "The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual." Thank you each and every one of you who make WWSC great every day! Mike Kowalski.

Charter Appreciation Day

Saturday Aug 19 was a fun day attended by 14 Charters, Honoraries and Charter Apps. There were lots of smiles, laughter and a good time was had by all. Burgers, hot dogs, chips, macaroni salad and refreshments were served for dinner. There were 56 people attending including Charters and immediate family, and 26 children/grand children. There were plenty of events for the kids. A fishing contest in the pond with 2 new fishing poles for prizes (in two age groups) for the most fish caught, and 1 gift card for largest fish in a 1 hour time period. The BB Gun Shooting contest prizes were two new Daisy 880 BB guns awarded for breaking the most balloon targets, also in two age groups. There were games for the little kids too, a three legged race, cotton balls, etc which were well attended and fun to watch.

Thanks to the volunteers that helped make this a success: Geoff Bodary, Harold Ritsema, Terry Westedt, Tom O'Brian, Francis Handy, Jerry and Nancy Kiel, Don Mize, Jeff Hawkins and Mike Kowalski.

Charter Appreciation Day is a time we dedicate to our charter members for all the hard work and countless hours they work to make our club a safe and fun place for everyone.

Five Stand Hat Shoot



September 9-10 and 16-17 100 Birds - 4 Rounds

Shoot as many times as you want to improve your top 4 scores Your top 4 scores of the event will be used as your final score

> \$5.00 entry fee Regular line fees apply Need not be a member to shoot the event

Ties for HOA will shoot off - 1 winner and 1 winner only

Event winner will receive a specially embroidered "West Walker 5- Stand Hat Shoot 2017 Winner"

Alien Invasion Fun Shoot

by Gloria Von der Heide

Our planet has been defended form the alien invasion by the 22 shooters that joined us Saturday, August 26. The fun shoots continue to be a wonderful family event, and an opportunity for new members to meet other pistol shooters.

Our new interactive targets are turning out to be a big draw. This month we shot at Aliens, Rocket ships, flying saucers, large planets, and small planets We all like to see things bouncing around as we hit them. We are getting a handle on the score keeping and flight management.

My thanks go out to my wonderful helpers that make these event possible: *Range Safety Officers:* Michael Kohl, Jerry Kiel, Frances Handy, and Ken Tarbell. *Food providers:* beans by Judi Bradley, Moon Pies by Frances Handy. *Hamburger chef*: Dan Bradley. *Photography*: Nancy Keil. *Clean up crew:* Judi Bradley and Frances Handy

The cash prize winners were: *Overall High Score*: George Pio 390, Mitch Farren 385, Mary Ritterby 380

The Target Prizewinners were:

Alien: William Farren. Rocket ship: Phil Ritterby. Flying Saucer: Judi Bradley. Large Planet: Jerry Kiel. Small Planet: Nancy Kiel

After dinner and awards we played "Hit the Aliens with a Hand Grenade" Jerry Kiel as the only one to manage to hit all five. He is impressive.

Come and join us for more shooting, food, games, and prizes at one, or all, of our future fun shoots: September 23: Gloria's Birthday Blast

October 28: Haunted West Walker

November 18: Trackin' Turkey

January 27: Winter Wonderland

February: 17 Cupid's Commandos

CPL Class

September 16 8:30AM - 6:30PM

WWSC Indoor range \$75 Charter members & family (each) \$90 Associate members & family (each) \$100 General public TommyGunsMI@gmail.com / 616-920-1701

www.TommyGunsTraining.com Tom O'Brien - NRA and MCRGO certified instructor

24th Annual Pulaski Days Golf Tournament

Saturday September 30th @ Western Greens Shotgun start at: 9 am

Four person teams \$50/ Person or \$200/ Team Men's, Women's, and Co-ed Entry deadline September 23, 2017

www.pulskidays.org

September Range Hours

Mon – Sat: 9:00am – 7:30pm Sundays: 10:00am – 7:30pm

> Link for range hours Link for range rules

Glorias Birthday Bash Fun Shoot

Saturday September 23, 2017 3PM - Cost for the shoot is \$10 per person -- Members only (this includes spouses and minor children of members) All Calibers Welcome, All Reactive Targets, NOT PAPER. Bring your pistol (any caliber, iron sights only please) and 50 rounds of round-nosed ammunition (no hollow-points please) and join the fun as she hits 65 with a BOOM! (She's got fireworks and plans to use them). All 3D targets, including: Presents, Candles, Baloons and more. Join us after the shoot at the clubhouse for Awards, Prizes and Dinner. Dinner will be: Pizza Sign up at the range office, clubhouse, or call (616)453-5081. Signup Deadline is: Sunday September 17, 2017



	2017 Big Gun Raffle						
Jan	Ruger 10/22 Carbine Collectors Series	Jutta Grieves #35					
Feb	Ruger LCRx 38 Special	Michael Kohl #96					
Mar	T/C Impact .50 cal Camo Weather Shield	Robert Scarbrough #172					
Apr	S&W Shield, Ported 9mm	Jeff McMinn #164					
Мау	Winchester SXP 12ga Pump	Joe D-Felio #15					
Jun	Glock 19, Gen4 – 9mm	John Neinhouse #195					
Jul	Savage B-Mag Laminate 17WSM	Reuben Kamps #104					
Aug	Sig Sauer P320 Night Sights, 9mm	Jacob Yonkers #212					
Sep	Savage 220F 20ga Slug Gun						
Oct	Ruger SR1911 SS 45 Auto						
Nov	Browning AB3 Composite Stalker 30.06						
Dec	Springfield EMP .40SW						

West Walker Sportsman Club is looking for range monitors to check memberships on the rifle & pistol ranges in four to six hour shifts. If you are retired or have free time during the daylight hours and share an interest in promoting a safe shooting environment, please contact Don Mize at 616-334-3246. These are voluntary positions. Qualified monitors will receive free annual membership renewal.

September 2017								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
					1	2 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm		
3 Archery-Trap-Skeet 10am-2pm	4 NWTF Meeting 7pm	5 4H Sports 7pm	6 Archery-Trap-Skeet 9am-12am 6pm-10pm	7	8	9 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm 5-Stand Hat Shoot		
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24 Archery-Trap-Skeet 10am-2pm	25	26 Walleye Club 7pm-9pm Board Meeting 7pm	27 Archery-Trap-Skeet 9am-12am 6pm-10pm	28	29	30 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm		
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