

WEST WALKER SPORTSMAN

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Field Day News

Our third annual Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser Field Day was a great success. A great time was had by all who participated, both at the Camo Ball on Friday night and the shooting events on Saturday. Most importantly, a total of \$58,000 was raised to help fund CF research and therapy programs. This is by far the most raised by any local chapter of the Foundation. Thanks to everyone who attended.

The kids fishing derby had lots of participation this year. The winners were Corden DeZeeuw and Amanda McCarthy in the most fish category, Shannon Gunnink and Reno Laney caught the biggest fish, and Shawn Hamstra and Nicole McCarthy were winners in the smallest fish category.



(A young shooter lines up on the air rifle targets)

Big Gun Raffle

The final winner in the current raffle is Dave Mulka who now owns a Remington 700 BDL in 7mm mag. Congratulations, Dave! That wraps up our first yearlong raffle and leads us into the next. If you have not placed your reservation for a ticket (or two) please write to the address above, or stop down to the club during any scheduled shooting event. This year's prize drawings start at the **September** board of directors meeting on the **30**th of the month, where we will be giving away a **Knight Wolverine .50 cal. Muzzleloader rifle.** The next 11 prizes are as follows:

October: Weatherby Vanguard 30.06 Synthetic

November: Browning BPS 12 Ga. Shadow Grass Camo.

December: One hundred dollar cash prize

January: 12 Ga. Berretta AL 391 Walnut Finish with Hard Case

February: Tikka Whitetail Hunter 7mm Rem. Magnum

March: Remington Wingmaster 870 20 gauge

April: One hundred dollar cash prize

May: Tikka T-3 Lite 22-250 cal. Synthetic

June: Charles Daly Field Hunter .270 Win.

July: One hundred dollar cash prize

August: Weatherby Vanguard 300 Win.

Magnum

Range Safety

Here are the answers to a couple of common questions heard at the range.

Q. Can I set up targets such as empty cans, or steel plates to shoot at?

A. No. Only use paper or cardboard targets fastened to the wood target boards. Other targets pose ricochet hazards and contribute to a littered and unsightly shooting area. Remember also to remove your paper from the boards when you are finished. The next shooters will thank you.

Q. Do I have to use the benches, or can I shoot from a standing, kneeling, or prone position?

A. You don't have to use the benches. You can shoot from any safe position. Just be sure you don't stray in front of the firing line, and keep all of your body parts behind the muzzle of your gun.

These questions came from inquiries to our web site, www.wwsc.org. Feel free to e-mail any questions you may have, and be sure to leave an e-mail address if you would like a response. Shoot safely, and enjoy your range!

Plate Shoots

The Steel Plate shoots are back on the second Saturday of the month. Sorry for the mix up on the web information. The next shoot is Saturday, September 13.

CMP Affiliation

Charter member, Barry Anderson informs us that WWSC will soon be certified as a CMP (Civilian Marksmanship Program) affiliated club. This will afford all club members the privileges that such an association entails. Stay tuned for more information on this.

Membership

1306 Associate Members43 Charter Members17 Honorary Members3 Charter Applicants

New Member Drive

Don't forget about our new member drive. Any associate who recruits 3 <u>new</u> members (sorry, no renewals) before the end of the year will receive a free year extension on their current membership.

Sportsman's Swap Meet

WWSC will be the site of a sportsman's swap meet and gun show on Saturday, September 27. Hours will be 9AM to 4PM, with setup time for table holders starting at 7AM. This is open to the public, and all are welcome to buy, sell, or trade sports related items only. Admission will be \$3 at the door. Show your current WWSC membership card and get \$1 off! Table cost is very reasonable, and there will be space available outside for very large items, such as boats, ATVs, etc. Sellers can call Rick Heyt for more information at (616) 677-3558, or e-mail at heytrw@altelco.net. Breakfast and Lunch items will be available as our kitchen will be open. This is a great opportunity to clear out your unused or unneeded items and put a few bucks in you pocket to boot, or maybe pick up the bargain of a lifetime!

Rifle Plate Shoot

The Rifle and Pistol committee will be hosting an informal plate shoot on **Saturday**, **October 18**. This is for center fire military or hunting rifles, and will feature steel plate targets set at distances from 50 to 200 meters, and will be held on the charter range. If you normally don't have the opportunity to shoot at the longer ranges, this is a great opportunity to see what your favorite rifle will do. There will be paper targets available also to assist in getting sighted in for each distance. For more information, see next month's newsletter, or watch the web site, or contact Scott Larabel at silouetter@msn.com

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Sun	Mon	Тие	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 LABOR DAY	2	Archery, Trap & Skeet	4	5	Archery, Trap & Skeet
	D/11		9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM			10 to 3
7 Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	Charter Range closed 10 to 6	7 Yd Range Closes 4:30	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	Charter Meeting 7:30	12	Steel Plate, Archery, Trap & Skeet
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	15	16	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	18	19	Silhouette Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 3
Archery Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	22	23	Archery Trap & Skeet 9 to 6 to	25	26	Swap Meet 9 to 4 Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 3
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	29	Board Mtg./Gun Drawing 7:00 PM	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	2	3	Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 3
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	6	7 7 Yd Range Closes 4:30	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	Charter Meeting 7:30	10	Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	Charter Range closed 10 to 6	14	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	16	17	Steel Plate, Archery, Trap & Skeet



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IHMSA State Shoot

WWSC was well represented at the 25th Annual Michigan State International Handgun Metallic Silhouette Association (IHMSA) championship match. Competitors included Scott Larabel, Dan Larabel, Chris Hackett, Dave Krysiak, Michelle Krysiak, and Dennis Nelson. At least 9 first place plaques and several 2nd and 3rd place medals were won by the group shooting at the A.P Goodrich Range in Alma. The shoot was held July 29th through August 2nd.

For those not familiar with the game, competitors shoot steel plate targets in the shape of chickens, pigs, turkeys, and rams at distances out to 200 meters using handguns. WWSC holds sanctioned matches throughout the year along with five other clubs in Michigan. Come on out and give it a try at our next match, September 20.

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