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2004

Winter League

It's time again to make plans for the WWSC winter shotgun league. Kickoff date for this year's event is Wednesday, December 29. The league will run through Wednesday, March 23, and your first four lines must be completed by January 26.

Registration and your first event is \$30. Each additional event is \$15, and team events are \$8. Registered lines cost \$4 each. Prepaid shooting cards will be available, and make a great gift! Scheduled events are:

12ga. Skeet
20ga. Skeet
28ga./410 Skeet
12ga. Trap

Team events include:

2 person Skeet
5 person Skeet
2 person Trap
5 person Trap

There must be a minimum of 5 shooters registered in an event for it to be held. Stop down at the shooting desk soon to reserve your spot, or call Tom Miller at (616) 791-1833. ♣

Big Gun Raffle

The November winner is Heather Huff, holder of ticket #155. Heather won \$100 in our latest drawing. The December prize is a Weatherby rifle in .22-250. Good luck to all who are entered. Scott Bylsma still has a few tickets available. You can call him at 677-2257 for more information. ♣

Hunter's Safety

WWSC will offer two sessions of hunter safety classes next summer presented by instructor Ron Kobel. Ron is a NRA certified instructor with many years teaching future hunters here at the club. The July session class dates are 23rd, 26th, 28th, and 30th, while the August sessions are the 20th, 23rd, 25th, and 27th. If you or someone you know is interested in taking one of these classes offered at the club, call Ron at 453-3645. He will be happy to answer your questions or take your reservation. ♣

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Cowboy Shoots

We have put the wraps on our first season of SASS sanctioned Cowboy Action Shooting events here at WWSC. Through the efforts of several local shooters, a program was developed and did quite well in its inaugural year. Well, our cowboy shooters, not being ones to let a little foul weather slow them down, have scheduled a few shoots for the winter months. You can sling some lead downrange with the other cowboys and cowgirls on January 15, February 19, and March 19. Notice that those dates are all Saturdays. Call Chuck Tenbrink at 458-6903 and he'll set you right up, pardner. ♣

1000 yard Shoots

by: **Barry Anderson**

With the first signs of snow come the first thoughts of the '05 Highpower rifle Long Range matches held in Michigan. Interested in a challenging game to play? Try a 1000 yard rifle (iron sight) match. Two types of rifles are used.

PALMA: The NRA defines the Palma rifle as one that is chambered for a .308 Win. (7.62mm NATO), with metallic sights. There are no weight, sight or trigger restrictions. The International standard however, requires the rifle weigh no more than 6.5 kg. (about 14.3 lbs.) with a trigger pull of at least 3.2 lbs. They also limit the bullets to the 155gr. Sierra Match King Palma. The NRA does not restrict bullet choice. Michigan matches mostly follow the NRA rules.

ANY: Just like you may suspect, this class has limited restrictions. The cartridge must fire a projectile of less than .338 and must be safe. Common cartridges for this competition are wildcats such as the 6.5/284, the 300 Winchester Magnum, and others having good performance at 1000 yards.

Course of fire:

600 yards: Typically 600 yard matches (the beginning of long range) are fired with three twenty shot courses. Each course is allowed two sighters. Commonly the first would be an any sight match (most, but not all, are fired with metallic sights). These are typically one-day events. In this area, Cadillac is the primary range.

1000 yards: Typically a 1000 yard match is held at Camp Grayling and is a two-day event. All matches are 20 rounds with unlimited sighters.

Palma: The Palma course of fire is 15 shots at 800 yards, 15 shots at 900 yards, and 15 shots at 1000 yards.

Sound like fun? It is! If you have an interest

in getting involved, give me a call. I'll request permission from the WWSC Board to put on a short seminar in the clubhouse to answer all your questions. Barry Anderson 791-9378 (till 8PM) or barry45acp@aol.com. ♣

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Archery News

Just a few quick reminders from our archery folks, Vince and Joan Schultes. By the way, they are a great couple who have created a fine archery program here at the club in a very short time. The organizational meeting for 2005 will be held January 15 at 11:00 AM in the clubhouse. The goal is to plan events for the new year, and to give interested archers an opportunity to become more involved in running the programs.

The kids Saturday morning archery program will also start on January 15th and run through February 19th for a total of 6 weeks. The 9:00 session is a "fun" class with emphasis on learning safe bow shooting skills. The 10:30 session is for those youngsters interested in competition archery. Vince Schultes is available at (616) 895-5009 for more information. ♣

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	2 Duck Hunters meet 7 to 9	3	4 Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2
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19 Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	20 Charter Range Closed from 10AM to 6PM	21 Winter Begins	22 Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	23	24	25 Christmas
26 Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	27	28 Board Meeting 7:00	29 Winter League Starts Archery Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	30	31	Jan New Year
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