

WEST WALKER SPORTSMAN

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Big Gun Drawing

Brian Myers is our June winner with ticket number 70. A new .50 cal. Omega Muzzleloader by T/C was the prize. Congratulations Brian. The July drawing will make one lucky ticket holder \$100 richer, while the final prize in August is a Weatherby in .270 Win.

September starts the new yearlong drawing. We have another great lineup of guns to give away as well as some cash prizes. Remember, one \$60 ticket gets you entered in each of the twelve monthly drawings. If you have a ticket in the current drawing, you can renew with the same number. Send your check to the P.O. Box listed in the header, or stop by the shooting desk during any scheduled shooting event. Here are the prizes:

September Remington 700 BDL SS .338 Mag.

October Ruger Red Label 12ga. O/U

November \$100.00

December Weatherby Vanguard SS .270 Win.

January Remington 11-87 20 Ga. Sportsman

February \$100.00

March Beretta Neos .22 cal. Pistol

April Weatherby SAS 12ga. Autoloader

May \$100.00

June Remington 700 ADL .243

July CVA Elite .50 cal. & 30-06

August Winchester '94 .44 Mag

Silhouette Shoot

6-18-05 by Scott Larabel

We had an excellent turnout for our June match. There were a lot of new faces along with the regulars and a lot of shooting. The target setters were busy all day. The weather was great, starting out mild and then warming up to the low 80's by the afternoon. Most of the action started out on the small bore and field pistol lines. I think everyone who shoots at West Walker knows that the shadows on those Big Bore rams are pretty tough first thing in the morning. By mid-day the action moved over to the Big Bore line and stayed that way most of the afternoon. There were a total of 20 shooters, including a couple of new non-IHMSA shooters and a couple of IHMSA members shooting for the first time at West Walker.

There were a couple of perfect 40's and a few people shot a leg up in their classes. Bill Clark did it again, with another 40 in Small Bore UAS and a 40 in UAS Air. He certainly is consistent with those 40's. Joining Bill was Gus Davison with a perfect 40 in Big Bore UAS. This makes Gus a leg up in BB UAS. They didn't do too bad at the shootoffs also. They make it look so easy. Good shooting and congratulations guys! Vern Bouws shot a leg up in Small Bore UAS, Dan Larabel shot a leg up in Field Pistol PAS, and JoAnn Roberts also shot a leg up in Field Pistol PAS. Congratulations to all of you for some pretty good shooting. The air pistol shooting even picked up a little with 5 shooters this match. It sure looked like everyone had a good time and certainly got a lot of shooting in. Thanks to Dave and Michelle Krysiak, Dennis Nelson, Chris Hackett, Corey Jongsma, and Dan Larabel for their help in running the match and setting targets and a special thanks to Barb Hackett for providing the food and

refreshments. •



Ladies Day Outdoors

Don't forget that the NWTF is sponsoring a Women in the Outdoors program **September 24** at our club. The day will consist of a series of seminars featuring seasoned instructors to help you learn and fine tune your outdoor skills. Ladies are encouraged to bring their daughters aged 14 and older as well as friends with whom they would enjoy sharing their day. A quality lunch will be provided. Call Angie Snitgen at (616) 581-7296 for a brochure and application. ♣

Field Day

Our annual fund raiser Field Day charity event will be held this year on **September 10** featuring a fun day of shooting events on all of our ranges. We'll have archery, pistol, rifle, and shotgun events, as well as games for the kids. You can try your hand at games of skill and maybe end up with a great prize to boot! That evening, we'll host a banquet along with the folks from Mir-Tek in the clubhouse with catering from Damon's.

You may remember that last year's event allowed us to send handicapped sportsmen on guided fishing and hunting trips. This is a chance to help folks from right here in west Michigan. Last year we purchased 14 trips, and helped make a ton of great memories. We'd like to do more of the same, and with your help, we will.

Make plans now to come to the club and enjoy the day's activities while helping a great cause. Bring a friend, bring a youngster, or just bring yourself.

Sporting Clays

Our Shotgun committee would like to offer another opportunity for you shotgunners to have some fun at the range. They have an NRA 5-Stand sporting clays machine set up just beyond skeet field #2. The machine will be in operation through August 31 on Wednesday evenings, Saturdays, and Sundays during regular shooting times.

This is an interesting game that offers both airborne and ground targets of various sizes and speeds. The course consists of the usual 25 birds per round and is offered at an introductory price of \$4 per line. Stop on out and give it a try! •

Quick Notes

Hunter's Safety Both the July and August classes are sold out. Thanks to all who signed up for these great courses.

Cowboy Shoots The Rangers had a great shoot over the July 4th weekend. They plan to hold their next event on October 2.

Range Safety Thanks very much for your help with policing brass on the pistol and rifle ranges. The lines look great!

Membership Contact Rich Vander Meer at 453-3255 or rlvandermeer@comcast.net

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	NWTF Meets 7 to 9	2	3	Duck Hunters meet 7 to 9	5	Archery, Trap & Skeet
7 Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	8	9	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	Charter Meeting 7: 30	12	Steel Plate Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	15	16	Archery Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	18	19	Silhouette 10 to 4 No Archery, Trap or Skeet
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	Charter Range Closed Noon - 6		Archery Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	Sep	t	No Archery, Trap or Skeet before 11:30
28	29	30	31		2	3
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2		Board Meeting 7:00	Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM	Duck Hunters meet 7 to 9		Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Archery, Trap & Skeet 10 to 2	Labor Day		Archery, Trap & Skeet 9 to 12 AM 6 to 10 PM			Field Day events on all ranges

Plate Shoot

7-9-05 by Chris Hackett pl8tshootr@aol.com

It was another hot and humid day out there on the course, but the shooting was pretty steamy also. We had some great scores and some not so great, but the main theme was to be safe and have fun. I think we accomplished those goals. You Guys are getting much better at keeping your fingers out of the trigger guard while moving through the course. It's something you'll have to keep working on until it's automatic. But don't worry; I'll be there to remind you every step of the way!

We had some great shooting on the El Presidente course, but again, there were a lot of missed shots that kicked the times way up. Slow down a little bit, watch that front sight, and you'll be pleased with how much better your times will be. I want to thank Raddy, Kevin, bob, And Larry for helping me run the match. You guys make this a fun time. Special kudos to Bob and Larry who I pleaded with for help since we were short handed. It's amazing what you can get people to do with some tearful eyes and soulful begging. Thanks a lot guys.

We hope to see everybody again at our next match on August 13. Until then, remember to watch your front sight and practice safe gun handling.

