



# WEST WALKER SPORTSMAN

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## Field Day

Although attendance was down a bit from years past, the '05 version of our annual field day fundraiser was a success. Prize drawings were held for those lucky ticket holders who tried their luck at several shooting games. The kids had their annual fishing derby too and here are the results:

### GIRLS

MOST (27) Amanda McCarthy  
BIGGEST (8-1/2") Kayelynn Sousley  
SMALLEST (3-7/8") Erica Felker

### BOYS

MOST (37) Lucas Murphy  
BIGGEST (14-1/2") Lucas Murphy  
SMALLEST (3-3/8") Amos

Congratulations kids, and thanks to all who made it out to the range to enjoy the day and help a good cause. Proceeds from the day will be used to purchase guided hunts and fishing trips for West Michigan sportsman who use a wheelchair.

## Big Gun Drawing

The last installment of the '04-'05 big gun raffle is history. Tom Miller won the August prize, a Weatherby in .270 Winchester. Way to go, Tom!

Well, there are 12 new prizes ready to go for our new yearlong gun raffle. Check out this lineup:

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

Just 60 bucks gets you entered in each and every month of the raffle. Don't get left out of the action. Send your check to the P.O.Box shown in the header, or stop by the shooting desk at the clubhouse during scheduled shooting times. Funds raised by this raffle are used to improve your club. Thanks very much for your support.



## WWSC Gun Show

Don't forget that Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, WWSC presents its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual gun show and sportsman's swap meet. Hours are 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Setup for table holders is 7:00 AM.

Admission is only \$3.00, and you get \$1.00 off by showing your current WWSC membership card. The public is invited to this event also to buy, sell or trade sports related items. Vendors are encouraged to contact Rick Heyt at (616) 677-3558 or [heytrw@atelco.net](mailto:heytrw@atelco.net) for table information.

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# Ladies Day Outdoors

The National Wild Turkey Federation and its sponsors would like to thank WWSC for hosting the Women in the outdoors program held last month. The turnout was more than double last year's count with over 60 ladies in attendance.



## Membership

The latest associate membership tally is 1179 as reported by Rich Vander Meer, vice president and membership chairman. Rich is the man to call if you have any questions about your membership or if you happen to miss an issue of the newsletter. He can be reached at (616) 453-3255 or [rvandermeer@comcast.com](mailto:rvandermeer@comcast.com). ♣

## Shooting News

**Cowboys** The Walker Rangers will host cowboy action shoots on October 2, and November 5. Shooting begins at 10:00 AM each day. Contact Tony Astuccio for more information. [tonyastuccio@astuccioins.com](mailto:tonyastuccio@astuccioins.com)

**IHMSA** The handgun silhouette shooters wrapped up their season a little early this year to make way for some much needed range construction. Shooting resumes with the April match next year.

The group was well represented at the Michigan State shoot with charter member Dennis Nelson coming away with the coveted "Man of Steel" title. Way to go, Denny!

**Keg Shoot** The annual renewal of the WWSC vs. Caledonia shotgun keg shoot was won by the good guys! The home team managed to best the folks from the other side of town by 18 birds, shooting trap and skeet, to earn bragging rights for the year. Good job!

**Steel Plate** Don't forget that our last steel plate shoot of the year will be held on Saturday,

October 8. This is a good game for those of you CCW holders who wish to keep in practice with your carry gun. Shooting starts at 10:00 AM, preceded by a course orientation and safety meeting. Contact Chris Hackett, [pl8shootr@aol.com](mailto:pl8shootr@aol.com) for more information.

## National Matches, Camp Perry

Member Steve Larson did very well at this year's high power rifle matches at Camp Perry, Ohio. Steve won the gold medal in the John C. Garand match and backed it up with a silver medal in the Springfield event. That is some mighty fine shooting against the best riflemen in the country. Congratulations on your outstanding accomplishments, Steve. ♣

## Rifle and Pistol Ranges

This is the busy time at the club ranges with hunting season beginning. Here are a few friendly reminders as you sight in your guns and polish up your shooting skills on the pistol and rifle ranges.

1. No gun handling while someone is down range. Keep your gun's action open and the chamber empty.
2. No smoking in the presence of black powder. Be aware that someone near you may be using a muzzleloader.
3. ALWAYS wear eye and hearing protection when at the line, either shooting or watching. You'll be glad you did when you get older!
3. Try to limit your time at the bench if there is a waiting line.
4. Police your area when you are finished. Try to leave the space you used cleaner than you found it. Sweep up empty brass, throw out trash, and put dud rounds in the proper receptacles. Remove any paper or cardboard targets you attached to the target boards. Our grounds crew thanks you!

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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>  |
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|   |  |  |   |   |            | <b>1</b><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                     |
| <b>2</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                 | <b>3</b><br><br><b>CHARTER RANGE CLOSED<br/>OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup> THROUGH 5TH</b> | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br>9 to 12 AM<br>6 to 10 PM  | <b>6</b><br><br><b>Duck<br/>Hunters<br/>meet 7 to 9</b> | <b>7</b>   | <b>8</b><br><br><b>Steel Plate<br/>Shoot</b><br><br><b>WWSC Gun<br/>Show<br/>9 to 4</b> |
| <b>9</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                 | <b>10</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>12</b><br><br>Archery<br>Trap & Skeet<br>9 to 12 AM<br>6 to 10 PM  | <b>13</b><br><br><b>Charter<br/>Meeting<br/>7: 30</b>   | <b>14</b>  | <b>15</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br>10 to 2                                    |
| <b>16</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                | <b>17</b><br><br><b>Charter<br/>Range<br/>Closed<br/>Noon - 6</b>                  | <b>18</b>  | <b>19</b><br><br>Archery<br>Trap & Skeet<br>9 to 12 AM<br>6 to 10 PM  | <b>20</b>   | <b>21</b>  | <b>22</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                |
| <b>23</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                | <b>24</b>  | <b>25</b><br><br><b>Board<br/>Meeting<br/>7:00</b> | <b>26</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br>9 to 12 AM<br>6 to 10 PM | <b>27</b>   | <b>28</b>  | <b>29</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br><br>10 to 2                                |
| <b>30</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br>10 to 2<br><b>Daylight<br/>Saving Ends</b> | <b>31</b>  | <b>Nov</b>   | <b>2</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br>9 to 12 AM<br>6 to 10 PM  | <b>3</b><br><br><b>Duck<br/>Hunters<br/>meet 7 to 9</b> | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b><br><br>Archery,<br>Trap & Skeet<br>10 to 2                                     |



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## PRESERVE HUNTING

A special invitation is being issued to West Walker Members, Families, and Friends. NEW FOR 2005---- Pheasant Preserve and European Tower Shoots. Schedule Your group for a Preserve Hunt anytime, and sign up for the 300 Mallard Tower Shoot set for October 22nd at 10:00 AM. This includes continental breakfast in the morning, and lunch on site after the Shoot. Contact Chuck Connell of Childrens Charters, Inc. at (231) 743-6483 ASAP for reservations. This shoot is limited to the first 30 hunters to register, so please call Today!

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