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West Walker Sportsman Club

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Contact Information

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

Club Hours Phone # 616-453-5081

Membership: 616-453-3255

Club House Rentals:

Club Officers

<u>President:</u> Mark Thue

<u>Vice President:</u> Rich Vandermeer

<u>Secretary:</u> Chuck Tenbrink

> Treasurer: Barry Fox

<u>Trustees:</u> Chris Hackett Rick Heyt Ed Stone

Charter Meeting

Schedule Thursday July 12, at 7:30 PM

Board Meeting Tuesday July 31, at 7:00 PM

A Great Birthday or Anniversary Gift

Give a gift of a West Walker Sportsman's Club membership or renewal of an existing membership.

Membership dues are:

One year \$60, three years \$165.

Seniors (62 & older) one year \$50, three years \$135.

For a membership or renewal of a membership, contact Rich Vandermeer at 453-3255 or by email at rlvandermeer@comcast.net. You may also stop by the Range Monitors house or shooting desk in the club house during the shooting hours.

MUCC District 5 Team Trap and Skeet Shoot

July 14th and 15th, 2007

West Walker Sportsman's Club will be the host for the 2007 MUCC District 5 Team Trap and Skeet Shooting Event to be held July 14 and 15th. All individuals of District 5 member clubs are invited to shoot in the tournament.

- Shooting hours are from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- Breakfast and lunch are available at the club house for a small fee. Kitchen will be open at 8:30 am each day.
- Cost is \$65.00 per 5 shooter team per event (\$13.00 per person). \$5.00 discount for Junior shooters age 16 and under.
- Each event is two lines 50 birds. You may shoot skeet or trap or both.
- Skeet: Doubles at Stations 3, 4, and 5 Trap: 21 Yard handicap
- Shooting times will be assigned by preference of earliest registrations.
- Sudden Death Shoot off on Sunday in the event of ties.

Lewis class awards: A, B, C Team Divisions, High Man Trap, High Man Skeet, High Lady Trap High Lady Skeet, High Jr. Trap, High Jr. Skeet. One award for High overall Individual Trap and Skeet combined

The Grand Valley Chapter of the NWTF invites you to our annual **Women In The Outdoors Event Saturday, September8**, **2007** at West Walker Sportsman' Club. More information about the event in the August newsletter or contact Jackie Bourgard at jbourgard@comcast.net. Registration 8:00AM Introduction 8:30-8:50AM Events 9:00AM-4:00AM Sign up Deadline 9/5/07



Archery 3-D League Monday & Tuesday

Wednesday



Shotgun

Wednesday

9AM - 12

6PM - 10PM

Saturday

10AM - 2PM

Sunday

10AM - 2 PM

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Use of the Charter Range is reserved for Charter Members, and or for supervised club activities

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Support & Pray for Our Troops

Membership as of 12/31/06 is 1425



Hunter Safety Education Classes

Are again being held in July and August. Each class is four (4) sessions with Attendance at all sessions mandatory. **Pre-registration is Required.** Class size is limited. Class cost is \$5.00, due at registration.

The July class meets:

Saturday, July 21–9am–1pm Tuesday, July 24–7pm–9pm Thursday, July 26–7pm–9pm

Saturday, July 28-9am-1pm

Saturday, August 18-9am-1pm Tuesday, August 21-7pm-9pm Thursday, August 23-7pm-9pm

The August class meets:

Saturday, August 25-9am-1pm

To register or for information, contact Ron or Robin Kobel – 453-3645 (after 6:00 p.m.)

Range Monitors Needed

West Walker Sportsman Club is looking for range monitors. If you are retired or have free time during the daylight hours and are interested in working the rifle ranges and checking memberships one or two days per week, please contact **Mark Thue at 616-791-2128**. These are voluntary positions. Monitors will receive free annual memberships.

Plate Shoot

It was a gorgeous day for a plate shoot, and 22 people showed up to try their skill on those steel plates. It looked like you had to shoot under 30 seconds to be in contention on the main event. Which explains why I'm way down on the list. I hope everybody had a good time shooting. We try to put on a fun but challenging match to keep you on your toes. If it was too easy, you would get bored and quit coming. Brad Mercer had two great runs to take first place. Jon Scott was 1.5 seconds behind to take second. It does not get much closer than that, folks. Great shooting, guys.

One thing that I will repeat from last year is that the rule is that nobody can shoot out of turn because they have to leave early. We had an issue last year when people abused that privilege. Now you must wait your turn. The main event usually runs till 1:00 to 2:00 depending on how many people have shown up. Please plan accordingly. Also, you guys are getting much better in regards to muzzle control and keeping your finger out of the trigger guard while moving. I only had to remind some of you a couple of times to watch it.

I have to admit that Rick was really hard on everybody, including myself, on the EI Presidente match. But you can't argue with the range officer, so even I had to live with my score. Next month we'll try painting the targets after every run so there will be no question on whether there was a hit or not. We want to give everybody a safe and fun time, so we will adapt our methods to provide it.

If you need to contact me for any reason, you can email me at plashcotr@sbcglobal.net. Thanks to everybody who came out, and we hope to see you this month on our July 14th match. Shoot safe, and focus on that front sight.

Chris Hackett

Rifle Ranges

The Club has begun more improvements on the rifle ranges. The new structure being added to the front of the shooting stations is modeled after similar structures used by the State of Michigan at their rifle ranges. We will also be instituting some new rules & regulations for use of the ranges. We

will be publishing them in the near future.

The range monitor program is starting to take shape and we have received many positive comments from the associates. It appears most members think it is a great benefit to have someone in charge of the ranges.

Concerning range use: The rifle ranges at West Walker are designed for target shooting and sighting in of rifles only and all shooting must be done from the benches. Paper targets on the target boards are the only targets allowed. There is no shooting allowed from prone, kneeling or standing positions. If you need to practice from a prone, kneeling or standing position, it must be done somewhere else. It cannot be done at the West Walker ranges!

More News:

- 1. The winner of the June 2007 Big Gun Raffle is Mark Davernport # 222: he wins a Rem. #7LS 300" rem. short action ultra mag" rifle.
- WWSC is going to more range improvements this year; you should check the WWSC's Website and the newsletter for potential dates of range work.

July 2007

Saturday	7 Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM	MUCC District V Shoot Steel Plate Shoot 10AM-3PM	Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM IHMSA Silhouette Match 10AM-2PM Hunter Safety Class Starts No Indoor Archery ASA 3D Tournament 9AM- 1:30PM	Hunter Safety Class No Indoor Archery Or Trap & SKeet	4
Friday	9	13	20	27	8
Thursday	West Michigan Duck Hunters meeting 7PM	Charter Meeting meeting 7PM	19	26 Hunter Safety Class	2
Wednesday	Archery 4 Trap & Skeet 9AM-12 6PM-10PM	Trap & Skeet 9AM-12 noon 6PM-10PM Archery	Archery 18 Trap & Skeet 9AM-12 noon 6PM-10PM	Trap & Skeet 9AM-12 noon 6PM-10PM Archery	Aug 1
Tuesday	3 3 Archery League	3D Archery League	3D Archery League	3D Archery League Hunter Safety Class	3D Archery 31 League Last Night WWSC Board Meeting 7PM
Monday	3D Archery League NWTF meeting 7:00PM	3D Archery League	3D Archery League	3D Archery League	30 Archery League
Sunday	Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM SASS Mich. State Black Powder Championship	Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM	MUCC District V 15 Shoot	ASA 3D Tournament 9AM-1:30AM Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM	29 Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM