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West Walker Sportsman Club

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Spring Shotgun League Starts April 6th, 2008!

Registered shooting for the spring league is planned to begin on Sunday, April 6th, 2008 and continue for the next 10 weeks, ending on June 11th. You must be a WWSC member to participate in the league. Registration will be on the day the League starts. However, if you would like to register in advance, sign up at the shotgun desk during normal club times.

LEAGUE FEES		This year's categories will be:
Registration (Includes 1 st event)	\$30.00	Trap, Five-Man Trap, Two-Man Trap, & Doubles Trap.
Single Events	\$15.00	Skeet, Five-Man Skeet, Two-Man Skeet, & Doubles Skeet.
Team Events	\$ 8.00 (per team member)	Wobble Trap
Pre-paid card for all 10 rounds	\$40.00 (\$ 4.00 per round)	

All of the above will be 250 bird events. (Ten Lines). We would like a minimum of five shooters per event to hold each of the above.

Your first four registered lines must be in by **May 3**, **2008** to establish your class. Although shooters are encouraged to shoot one game per week, no penalty will be imposed for shooting ahead or behind.

Note: The Last line to go out will be no later than one-half hour prior to closing.

Contact <u>Char Willyard</u> or anyone at the shooting desk if you have questions.

WWSC Sportsman Banquet for 2008 was another sold out event, with good food, great prizes and a lot of fun. WWSC would like to thank all the sportsmen and sportswomen who attended the banquet. The money raised from the event will be used to help with the fencing project at West Walker Sportsman Club.

Thanks to all who helped with the Banquet.



MARCH 29, 2008

Contact Information

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

Club House Phone Number 616-453-5081

Membership: 616-453-3255

Club House Rentals: 616-261-8001

Club Officers

President: Mark Thue

Vice President: Rich Vandermeer

Secretary: Chuck Tenbrink

> Treasurer: Barry Fox

Trustees: Chris Hackett Rick Heyt Ed Stone

Charter Meeting Schedule Thursday April 10, at 7:30 PM

Board Meeting Tuesday April 29, at 7:00 PM



<u>Archery</u>

<u>Wednesday</u>

<u>Thursday AM &</u> <u>PM</u>



<u>Shotgun</u>

Wednesday

9AM - 12

6PM – 10PM

<u>Saturday</u>

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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West Walker Spring 150 / Saturday April 5th, 2008

- Saturday April 5th from 1:00PM to 6:00 PM
- Cost is \$35.00 for all 5 events
- Trophies will be awarded for each event plus HOA
- Proceeds will go for a new wobble trap
- Steak dinner available for \$10.00. Includes steak, baked potato, salad, & coffee, or soda. (BYOB if desired)
- Sign up at the shooting Desk or contact Rick at 616-204-6240 or email him at rkzandstra@yahoo.com
- Reservations recommended

TRAGETS: 25 five stand, 25 skeet, 25 skeet doubles, 25 trap, & 50 trap doubles

First Plate Shoot April 12

I hope everybody survived this winter in good shape and now we are ready to pound those steel plates! To keep you on your toes, we have some new scenarios for steel plate shooting this year. (We'll also be using the bowling pins again). I plan on setting up the .22 drag race at all the matches this year, so bring your .22's. It's great fun, even if you don't have somebody to shoot against. If it becomes popular, we'll have a competition with that also. The El Presidente will be back and eventually a side shoot with rifles. If enough interest is shown, we may also have a side shoot with shotguns later. The cost will be \$5.00 per event, not per run.

For those who have never tried the plate shoots and are thinking about it, here's how it works. The match is based loosely on IPSC & IDPA courses, with rules set up for the average shooter. If you have a concealed license and want to practice with your carry gun, or just want to try this type of shooting to see if it's as fun as they say, then this game is for you. The Main Event has twelve targets with occasional hostages mixed in. On the sound of the timer, you start hitting the targets while missing the hostages. There is a mandatory magazine change halfway down the course, to keep it revolver friendly. It also evens the playing field between the pistols who have a single stack mag and those that have a double column mag. You shoot at the target until you hit it, then you move on to the next one.. The person with the fastest time wins the event.

Safety is a major part of this game. Everybody behind the firing line is required to wear eye and ear protection whenever the range is hot, because of the close proximity of the shooting. FULL METAL JACKET rounds are not allowed due to the possibility of ricochets. The only bullet types allowed are lead, lead tipped, hollow point, or plated bullets like those made by Rainier.

For more information on our shoots, go to West Walkers web site, <u>www.wwsc.org</u>, go to the left column on the home page to "programs", click on the steel plate shoots, then click on the "steel plate page" in the first paragraph. This will answer most of your questions. If not, contact me at <u>p18shootr@sbcglobal.net</u>.

The first shoot is on April 12, at 10:00 am. (Please come early to sign up and pay) We will go over the safety rules and course description at 10:00. You do not have to be a member of West Walker to shoot the course. Everybody is welcome, so bring a friend and try out this fun and exciting game. See you there.

Chris Hackett

Charter Membership

There are currently openings for Charter Memberships. If you have been an Associate member for at least one year, you may apply for a Charter Membership. Contact a Charter Member if you would like more information on becoming a Charter Member.

Note: On April 19th from 9AM until Noon, the 7 yd pistol range will be closed, because of CCW training.

			April 2008			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		-	2 Archery Trap & Skeet 9AM-Noon 6PM-10PM	3 Last Evening Archery League West Michigan Duck Hunters Meeting 7PM	4	5 Trap & Skeet 10AM-2PM West Walker Spring 150
6 Spring shotgun league starts 10AM-2PM	7 NWTF Meeting 7PM	ω	 Archery Spring shotgun League 9AM-Noon 6PM10PM 	10 Charter meeting 7:30PM	5	12 Spring shotgun league 10AM-2PM Steel plate shoot 10AM-3PM
13 Spring shotgun league 10AM-2PM	4	15	16 Archery Spring shotgun League 9AM-Noon 6PM10PM	17	18	19 Spring shotgun league 10AM-2PM IHMSA Silhouette Match
20 Spring shotgun league 10AM-2PM	21	22	23 Archery Spring shotgun League 9AM-Noon 6PM10PM	24	25	26 Spring shotgun league 10AM-2PM
27 Spring shotgun league 10AM-2PM	28	29 Board meeting 7PM	30 Archery Spring shotgun League 9AM-Noon 6PM10PM			

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West Walker Big Gun Monthly Raffle tickets are now on sale for 2007/2008. Tickets are \$60.00. For a ticket contact Barry Fox (616-690-0691) or any Charter member, also at the shooting desk. Please note there will be 12 guns , not cash prizes.



GUN SAFES Walk – In Vault Doors Frontier – American Security – Fort Knox HOOGERHYDE SAFE & LOCK (616) 458-6365 1033 Leonard St. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504 Fax (616) 458-2554 There is <u>no smoking</u> allowed while on the firing line or under the shooting structures at West Walker.

When using West Walker's shooting ranges, please check in at the Range monitor building before shooting.

RANGE MONITORS NEEDED

West Walker Sportsman Club is looking for Range Monitors to check memberships on the rifle & pistol ranges in four to six hour shifts. If you are retired or have free time during the daylight hours and share an interest in promoting a safe shooting environment, please contact Don Mize at 616-261-5873. These are voluntary positions. Monitors will receive free annual memberships.

Please remember, all the improvements and changes being made to the ranges are being done to promote safety, which should be everyone's number one concern. There will be more changes in the near future. When a change is made, your comments are appreciated.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to make West Walker a safer and better place to shoot.