



West Walker Sportsman's Club

November 2013

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Board Meeting
Nov 26 - 7:00pm

Indoor Archery
Wed & Sundays
Call Saturdays

Skeet & Trap
Wed 9a-12, 6p-10
Sat 10a-2p
Sun 10a-2p

Ranges &
Outdoor Archery
Open Daily

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**Support and Pray
For Our Troops**

How to Get What You Want



Hey guys, want to get what you want for Christmas this year? Print this newsletter and put it on the coffee table where it can be "seen". So, ladies.... you ask, "Can it really be this easy?". You bet. We sell gift certificates which are redeemable for memberships, and we now offer ten round punch cards for skeet and trap shooters. These are sold at the clubhouse (Wed 9a-12, 6p-10, Sat/Sun 10a-2) or the Range Office (7 days/week). We take cash, checks, Visa, MasterCard and Discover. We are currently able to take credit cards only in the clubhouse.

Range Safety

With the impending hunting season upon us our ranges will become busy with hunters sighting in their rifles. We appreciate your help in keeping West Walker a safe and fun place to shoot. Please review the range safety rules before coming out to shoot. You can ask the range monitor for a copy or click the following link <http://www.wwsc.org/News/Newsletters/RangeRules.pdf>

The ranges are open daily, starting at 9:00am Monday through Saturday, and 10:00 on Sunday. We adjust closing time on the 1st and 16th of each month to reflect the changing sunset. Click this link to see the schedule for the full year http://www.wwsc.org/ClubInfo/range_hours.htm Please check in at the Range Office before shooting. Eye and ear protection is required. Remember that no guests are allowed to use the ranges. Please police your area when you are finished, and leave it in good shape for the next shooter.

DNR Deer Check

The DNR Deer Check will be at WWSC from Nov 15 through Nov 27, every day from 10:00am – 2:00pm, except for the 23rd and 24th.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/dnr/Deer_Check_Station_List_8.30.13_432936_7.pdf

Winter Shotgun & Archery Leagues

Winter leagues are just around the corner. This year, for the shotgun league we will offer skeet in all gauges, trap and wobble trap. The shotgun league starts Saturday, Jan 4th and runs for 12 weeks. This is a 12 round, 300 bird league.

We will offer 2 archery leagues, both on Thursdays. The morning league starts at 9:30am and the evening league starts at 6:30pm. These are both 10 week leagues that start Thursday, January 16.

You must be a WWSC member to participate in these leagues. Look for more details in the December newsletter.

Wobble Wednesdays & Weekends

This turned out to be a pretty popular event, which ran the entire month of September. We mixed pink, black, white and green birds in with the orange birds in our wobble trap, and shooters received a raffle ticket for every non-orange bird they broke. Shooters no longer cared what their scores were, only how many *tickets* they got each round. Those black birds on Wednesday nights were “challenging” to say the least #@!. It was a fun game and 20 people entered the event. We drew three tickets at the end of the month to split the pot and the person who had the LEAST amount of tickets (7) actually won 3rd place. Interesting, right? Thanks to everyone who participated!

HB 4283 – Shotgun Zone Firearms

HB 4283, is a bill to include certain rifles/cartridges among the firearms that a person may use to hunt deer during firearm deer season in Michigan’s southern limited firearms area. This would bring Michigan in line with surrounding states like Indiana, and encourage women and youth participation. Currently in Michigan’s southern “shotgun zone”, only the following can be used during firearm deer season:

- A shotgun with a smooth or rifled barrel.
- A .35 caliber or larger pistol capable of holding no more than nine shells at one time in the barrel and magazine combined and loaded with straight-walled cartridges.
- A muzzle-loading rifle or black-powder pistol loaded with black-powder or a commercially manufactured black-powder substitute.

HB 4283 would expand the allowed firearms to include a .35 caliber or larger rifle loaded with straight-walled cartridges with a minimum case length of 1.16 inches and a maximum case length of 1.80 inches. The bill was introduced in February, has passed in the house and is now in the hands of the senate.

4H Shooting and Archery

We are once again starting 4H shooting sports. This includes rifle, shotgun and archery. If you have children or grandchildren interested come down to one of our meetings and talk to us. The dates we meet are 10/8, 11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17, 1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 5/6, 5/20, 6/3, 6/17, 7/1, 7/15, 7/29. These are all Tuesdays. The state shoot is 8/2. You can also call Denny Fuller at 293-1873 or Troy Potter at 886-8979 for more information.

Other News:

Shotgun Protections will be held Dec 14 starting at 2:00pm. This is a fun game where several 2 person teams line up on the trap field. The two of you alternate taking the first shot at a bird, and if you miss your partner can shoot at the bird. A broken bird counts as a hit, even on the second shot. The game is shot like regular trap, but each team rotates after 4 birds are shot, instead of the normal 5 birds, for a total of 20 targets per team. A \$5.00 entry fee is paid for each game you shoot and high score splits the pot. Shoot as many protections as you like. More details in the Dec newsletter.

WE SELL BRASS - For rifle we have 22-250, 243, 270, 308, 30-06, 7 mag and more. For pistol we have 32, 9mm, 40 cal, 45 cal, 38 special, 357 mag, 44 mag and more. We hope to have brass for sale at the Range Office soon, but until we have that worked out, if you would like to purchase brass please call John Benson at 885-4324 to see what’s available, and he will make sure the range office has your order ready for you to pick up.

Gun & Knife Show - Look for our booth at the upcoming Gun & Knife shows Dec 14-15, Jan 25-26, March 8-9, April 26-27 and June 28-29. Saturday hours are 9am-4pm, Sunday 9am-3pm, held at the 28th Street Showplace, 1256 28th St – Admission \$6.00. Click here for more information

<http://www.migunshows.com/grandmap.html>



**Fall Fashion
at
West Walker**

Pessimist and a Dog

An avid duck hunter was in the market for a new bird dog. His search ended when he found a dog that could actually walk on water to retrieve a duck. Shocked by his find, he was sure none of his friends would ever believe him.

He decided to try to break the news to a friend of his, the eternal pessimist who refused to be impressed with anything. This, surely, would impress him. He invited him to hunt with him and his new dog.

As they waited by the shore, a flock of ducks flew by. They fired, and a duck fell. The dog responded and jumped into the water. The dog, however, did not sink but instead walked across the water to retrieve the bird, never getting more than his paws wet. This continued all day long; each time a duck fell, the dog walked across the surface of the water to retrieve it.

The pessimist watched carefully, saw everything, but did not say a single word. On the drive home the hunter asked his friend, "Did you notice anything unusual about my new dog?" "I sure did," responded the pessimist. "He can't swim."

The 2014 Big Gun Raffle guns have been chosen for 2014. Tickets will go on sale soon. Look for more details in the next newsletter. Click this link to preview the selection.

<http://www.wwsc.org/News/2014BGR.pdf>

We are looking for responsible people to volunteer their time in 4-6 hour shifts to check memberships on the rifle & pistol ranges. If you are retired or have free time during the weekends and share an interest in promoting a safe shooting environment, please contact Don Mize by email at imdize@yahoo.com Monitors will receive free annual memberships.

2013 Big Gun Raffle

Jan 29	Ruger SR22	Mike Freeman, #62
Feb 26	Henry Golden boy, 22 LR	Art Green, #12
Mar 26	Bersa Thunder, .380	Rick Zandstra, #186
Apr 30	Savage 93R17 BTVS 17HMR	Duane Downer, #86
May 28	Ruger LC9, 9mm	Karl Feuerstien, #223
Jun 25	Colt M4 Tactical, 22 LR	Dale Carpenter, #49
Jul 30	S & W Bodyguard, w/Laser, .380	Tony Hendges, #57
Aug 27	Savage Model 11 Trophy, Nikon Scope - you pick cal.	Derk Dodde, #160
Sep 24	Ruger SR40, 40 cal.	Al Green, #99
Oct 29	Remington 700 SPS, 30-06	Kyle Schafer, #210
Nov 26	S & W M&P 9mm	
Dec 31	Browning Maxus, Stalker, 12ga.	

November Range Hours

November 1 – 15

Mon – Sat: 9:00am – 5:15pm
Sundays: 10:00am – 5:15pm

November 16 – 30

Mon – Sat: 9:00am – 5:00pm
Sundays: 10:00am – 5:00pm

Visit our website to see the schedule for the full year.

http://www.wwsc.org/ClubInfo/range_hours.htm

Gun Safes

Walk – In Vault Doors
Fort Knox – American Security – Graffunder

HOOGERHYDE SAFE

1033 Leonard St NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504
Phone: (616) 458-6365 Fax: (616) 485-2554

SK FULL DRAW 3-D ARCHERY RANGE

10751 12th Ave., Grand Rapids, MI 49534
Phone: (616) 791-7970

Open 7 Days
Dawn to Dusk

Stan Kurek
WWSC Member

November 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm
3 Archery-Trap-Skeet 10am-2pm	4 NWTF Meeting 7pm	5 4H Archery/Trap/Rifle 7pm	6 Archery-Trap-Skeet 9am-12am 6pm-10pm	7	8	9 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm
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