



# The Ammo Bag

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## West Walker Sportsman's Club

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**Charter Meeting**  
Jan 12 - 7:30pm

**Board Meeting**  
Jan 31 - 7:00pm

**Archery  
Skeet & Trap**  
Wed 9a-12p, 6p-10p  
Sat 10a-2p  
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World Peace**



### From The President

I hope that everyone has had a wonderful and happy holiday season. The club has been very successful in the last year, and has met a great deal of its goals. I cannot begin to list all of the good things we have accomplished, nor am I going to try and name all who have helped us out in many ways during the year. You all know who you are, and I thank you very much for your services to WWSC. I would like to touch on some of the things we have accomplished this year.

In shotgun members have continued to do an outstanding job with quality staffing and teamwork to keep the ranges open, the leagues running smooth, and problems solved in a timely manner. Thank You to all.

The outdoor ranges have done a herculean task in keeping the ranges open and safe with our successful range monitor program. We are well aware that our ranges need some serious maintenance and redesign and have been actively discussing and planning for the improvements in the coming year.

Thank you to the clubhouse maintenance committee on an outstanding job, as well as the kitchen committee for the work in keeping itself up to the health code standards and providing quality food for club events.

Our grounds crew in all that they do has kept our club looking great and very presentable to all that come to use our facilities. Outstanding work guys.

In archery the team has continued to keep the program and the leagues going, and they plan on replacing or repairing a number of the 3D bag targets his year. A new bridge was installed on the 3D trail last spring which greatly improved access to the range.

After 27 years Ron Kobel has stepped down as head of the Hunter Safety Program. John Kiss and Jerry Kiel have stepped up to continue with the program. Congratulations to Jerry for also

attending and completing an intensive four day DNR Hunter Safety instructors training academy.

The indoor pistol range is inching closer to completion with the addition of 5-tons of bullet stopping rubber mulch in the ceiling. It was quite a job getting it up there, with volunteers using a bucket brigade to accomplish the job. Thanks to all that volunteered. The next step will be the installation of six more target systems and more lighting. The building is now available to be rented for training classes.

Our two big club events are the Big Gun Raffle headed by Rich Vander Meer, and the Sportsman's Banquet, with its Grand Prize Raffle of a three gun package headed by Dave Mulka are all off to a roaring start and another successful event for the club. Keep trying to sell those tickets folks.

A number of people have stepped up to create some new events for the club that come under the heading of fun shoots as well as the NRA/Winchester Qualification program. We are always open to the creation of new events, but you have to run it by the board first.

This club only survives; and continues to function successfully, by all the members that step up and volunteer their time and talents, and we need more people to step up and volunteer so we can do more things at the club.

In closing I want to thank the current board members for the outstanding job they are doing. When I was asked to run for President I had no idea what I was getting into (I can hear a number of past presidents laughing). The job does not come with a job description, and I have had to learn as I go. I always try to get advice from past presidents and any club member I think might be able to help me.

This will not come as a surprise to most of you that know me, but I really am proud and honored to be the president of WWSC.

Thank you, and let's have a great coming year!  
**Mike Kowalski**

### 2017 Sportsman's Banquet Grand Prize Raffle

The Sportsman's Banquet Grand Prize Raffle this year is a very nice 3-gun package.

We are raffling of a Browning Citori CX O/U, a Browning A-Bolt Hunter with Nikon Bushmaster scope, and a Henry Golden Boy .22.

Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00 (Note: Same name on all 3 tickets). Tickets are available at the range office, shooting desk or by mail. You need not be present at the banquet to win.

To purchase by mail: Send a check with number of tickets you want, the name of the person the tickets are for, and send it to WWSC PO Box 14104 Grand Rapids, MI 49514

To see a list of the guns go on line at [wwsc.org](http://wwsc.org)  
or click this link: [3-Gun Package](#)

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### 2017 Big Gun Raffle

Tickets are \$60.00 and covers all 12 raffles.

Purchase early to make sure your name is in the drawing for each of the 12 months. Only 300 tickets will be sold, and you do not need to be a member to purchase a ticket.

Purchase your tickets at the Range Office or at the Shooting Desk. We accept cash, check, Visa, and MasterCard.

Drawings are the last Tuesday of each month, and winners are notified by phone and listed each month in the newsletter.

To see a list of the guns go on line at [wwsc.org](http://wwsc.org)  
or click this link: [Big Gun Raffle](#)

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### 2017 Winter Shotgun League

The 2017 Winter league will start on **January 7 and run thru March 25** (12-round league). If you are interested in shooting this event, it is not too late to enter. Sign-up sheets are located at the shooting desk during club hours.

We are offering 5-man team trap, and 2-man skeet teams in 12ga, 20ga. Also, 28ga. and .410 bore individual events (if 5 shooters sign up) are also available.

You must be a club member to participate in leagues.

Cost is \$30.00 first event, \$15.00 second event, and \$5.00 for each additional event.

**Note: 4 registered lines have to be shot by Feb 5<sup>th</sup>.**

### 2017 Monday Night Archery League

The winter Archery League is just around the corner and starting to fill up. The league will shoot on Monday's at 6:00pm, **January 9 to March 13**.

The leagues is limited to 32-adults and 6-young adults.

Sign-up cutoff date was December 26, 2016 but there could still be some openings. Cost is \$70 for Associates, and \$60 for Charter members.

**Information: Chris Ferrari 616.885.7027**

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### 2017 Thursday Morning Archery League

The morning league will start on January 12, 2017 for 10 weeks. Starting time is 9:30 am at a cost of \$8.00/week. This is a perfect league to help you get out in the morning.

**Call Dave Whitney at 616.835.5814**

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### Pirate Night Fun Shoot at the Indoor Range

ARR, Me Matey's! On February 18 @ 3:00pm, come join your fellow Members for 40 rounds of .22 cal. shooting at 7-yards. Bring your .22 and some ammo, and join the crew for the Pirate wars.

There will be a social following the event at the club house with food, prizes, and awards.

Sign up at the range office or the club house. The deadline is Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup>.

See the flyer online at [wwsc.org](http://wwsc.org) News Page  
or Click the link: [Pirate Night](#)

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### Fall Pump Gun Skeet Classic

Seventeen shooters braved the cold and heavy snow to enjoy shooting 50 rounds of old school pump-gun skeet, as well as a shot at some prize money.

**Brian Myers** and **Dave Tagg** tied at 49 birds each, while **Dave Gervais** and **Ron Novak** tied at 48 birds for second place.

Brian and Dave shot a round of skeet doubles in the shoot off with only one miss each, they decided to split the winnings. Congrats guys, great shooting.

Everyone who shot this event thought it was great and want to do this again. Will try to schedule it in the spring.

To see the full results go to the news page on the web, or click the link: [Pump Gun Results](#)

## Range Monitors Needed

We are always in need of more range monitors to check memberships on the rifle and pistol ranges. These are 4 and 6 hour shifts, and qualified monitors will receive free membership renewals.

This is a perfect position for someone who is retired or has some free time during the daylight hours.

Share your interests with others while helping to promote a safe and friendly shooting environment.

**Contact: Don Mize**  
**imdimize@yahoo.com**

### January Range Hours

Date	Mon-Sat	Sun
Jan 1 Jan 15	9am-5pm	10am-5pm
Jan 16 Jan 31	9am-5:30pm	10am-5:30pm

### Range Closures during Inclement Weather

We will be closing the rifle/pistol ranges, as well as shotgun fields during adverse weather conditions.

If you plan shooting during bad weather conditions please call ahead. Thank You.

The Range Office number is: 616.453.5081

### Indoor Pistol Range Open in January

The indoor range will be open free of charge to all members on Saturdays from 5pm-9pm for the month of January.

John Kiss has volunteered his time and will be onsite so you can use the range.

### 2016 Big Gun Raffle

Jan	S&W Bodyguard 380	John Nienhuis #195
Feb	Ruger 10/22 Takedown	Jerry Kiel #218
Mar	S&W M&P Compact 22	Mike Miller
Apr	Ruger American Predator 22-250	John Landis #31
May	Springfield XD-S .45ACP 3.3" Barrel	Tim Potter #168
Jun	Henry Golden Boy 22 Mag	Geoff Bodary #23
Jul	Ruger SP101 3557 4.2" Barrel	Brian Deuel #45
Aug	Ruger AR556 .223	Doug Cline #259
Sep	Springfield XD-M 9mm 3.8" Barrel	John Strodbeck #197
Oct	Remington 11-87 Sportsman 12ga	Wyland Gibbs #88
Nov	Glock Model 21 45 ACP	Doug Curths #229
Dec	Beretta A300 Outlander 12ga Walnut	Jame Schwetema #182

## AED

### **Automated External Defibrillator**

West Walker Sportsman's Club has purchased two Automated External Defibrillator's (AED's). They are located at the range and at the club house. Please be familiar with their locations.

We had two instructional classes taught by Jim Walker who is a member of the Grandville Fire Department. He is a first responder and Associate member.

The classes were in October and December, and focused on administering CPR and the use of the AED's. It was a highly effective class. We feel that with these AED's in place we are prepared for an emergency when and if it arises. Start CPR Immediately, call 911, and send someone for the AED kit which will walk you through the process.

Two days after attending the October session one of our Charter members used the CPR skills learned in the class to save the life of someone who went into full cardiac arrest and revived the person before the ambulance arrived at his home.

If the opportunity arises please attend a class yourselves; as you can see, you never know when you might have to save a life.



### Handicapped Spots at Main Clubhouse

We have removed the markers for handicapped parking at the main club house for ease of plowing snow.

The first four spots on the North side of the building are reserved for Handicapped Parking.

Thank You

## **Gun Safes**

**Walk – In Vault Doors**

**Fort Knox – American Security – Graffunder**

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# WWSC Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 New Year's Day</b>  ATA / NSSA 10:00am Food Available Range open 12pm-5pm  No open skeet or Trap	2  NWTF Meeting 7pm	3	4  Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm	5	6	7  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm Shotgun League Start Kitchen Open
8  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open	9  Archery League Start 6:00pm  Kitchen Open	10	11  Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	12  Morning Archery League Start 9:30am  Charter Meeting 7:30	13	14  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open
15  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open	16  Archery League 6:00pm  Kitchen Open	17	18  Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	19  Archery League 9:30am	20	21  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open
22  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open	23  Archery League 6:00pm  Kitchen Open	24	25  Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	26  Archery League 9:30am	27	28  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open
29  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open	30  Archery League 6:00pm  Kitchen Open	31  Walleye Club 7pm – 9pm  Board Meeting 7pm	1  Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	2  Archery League 9:30am	3	4  Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm  Kitchen Open

**\*\* Kitchen will be open for Monday Night Archery and Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday (pm) Shotgun Leagues \*\***