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# West Walker Sportsman's Club

February 2017

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Terry Westedt

**Charter Meeting**  
Feb 9 - 7:30pm

**Board Meeting**  
Feb 28 - 7:00pm

### Archery Skeet & Trap

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

### February Range Hours

Mon-Sat Sun  
Feb 1-15 9a-6p 10a-6p  
Feb 16-31 9a-6:15p 10a-6:15p

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Pray for  
World Peace

## Happy Valentines Day

### The 2017 Sportsman's Banquet Saturday March 25, 2017.

Orders must be postmarked on or before March 17th. There will be no tickets sold after this date. That being said, be sure to get your ticket orders in as soon as possible.

We will be processing orders on a first-come, first-served basis, so there is a possibility that we will not be able to fill all orders.

Banquet orders postmarked on or before **February 24, 2017** will be entered in an **Early Bird Drawing** for a **Ruger AR556**. (Limited to adults 21+ only).

Ticket prices will be \$50 per adult, and \$25 for children (16 and under). This year, the children will receive door prizes from the same pool of items as the adults.

As in past years, you may order grand raffle tickets and banquet raffle packages at the same time you place your dinner ticket order. We will also have both ticket packages for sale the night of the banquet as well.

The fun will begin at 5:30 pm with cocktails, appetizers, games and Chinese raffles. A family style dinner will be served at 7:00pm

We look forward to seeing you on March 25, 2017 at 5:30PM!

### 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 Buckmaster 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, and the name of the person the tickets are for. Send 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](#)

### 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

### 2017 WWSC Sportsman's Banquet - March 25, 2017 @ 5:30pm Order Form - Mail to: WWSC, PO Box 141104, Grand Rapids MI 49514

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Child Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 = \_\_\_\_\_  
\$200 Raffle Package: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$200 = \_\_\_\_\_  
\$100 Raffle Package: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$100 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Grand Raffle Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 each or 3 for \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL FOR ORDER:

### Attendee(s) Name, circle (a)dult or (c)hild:

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### From the President

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the club members that have been working to create new shooting events at our club.

One would be the fun shoots with a different theme each time that Gloria Von der Heide and Michael Kohl have started, and the ongoing Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification shooting program that Michael and John Kiss have implemented. This newsletter has information on both upcoming events.

Don't tell anyone, but word has it on the range, that a women's handgun league will be forming this spring.

These new events are being organized by members who want our club to have more organized shooting events, as well as using our great indoor shooting facility.

I strongly urge club members to take a look at these shooting events, and hopefully you will want to take part in them.

Thank you, **Mike Kowalski**

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### 2017 Big Gun Raffle

Tickets are \$60.00 and covers all 12 raffles. Winning tickets get put back in for a chance to win again.

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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### 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.

Contact: **Don Mize**  
**[imdimize@yahoo.com](mailto:imdimize@yahoo.com)**

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### Indoor Pistol Range Open in February

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

John Kiss has volunteered his time again this month, and will be onsite so you can shoot the range.

### Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification

We are offering Pistol, Bullseye Pistol, Rimfire Rifle, and International Air Rifle. **Note:** Does not include Shotgun.

Members can shoot the program at their own pace during normal range hours. We will have the proper targets (for a fee, \$1-\$2), scoring sheets, and qualification material at the Range Office.

If you prefer to shoot with a group, you are welcome to shoot qualifications on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month starting on **Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> 5pm-9pm** at the indoor range. Bring your guns, ammo, and safety equipment.

These events will be \$20 for non-members each session and include range time, targets, and certification. Members shoot for the cost of targets and cost of the certification.

For more information or patches please contact:

**Michael Kohl** -- [mtkohl@gmail.com](mailto:mtkohl@gmail.com)

**West Walker MQP** website at: <http://www.wwsc.org/MQP.shtml>

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### Pirate Night Fun Shoot at the Indoor Range

Ahoy me Hearties! On February 18 @ 3:00pm, come join your fellow Buccaneer's for 40 rounds of .22 cal. pistol shooting at 7-yards. Bring your .22 and some ammo, and join Yer fellow Buckos for a chance to claim Yer rightly share of the booty in the Pirate wars.

Afterwards we will Weigh anchor, hoist the Mizzen, and sail to the club house for food, prizes, awards, and refreshments.

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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### New Year's Day NSSA/ATA Shoot

The weather this year was fantastic for our traditional New Year's Day shoot. The sun was shining, and the winds were light with temperatures in the mid 30's. Ham Sandwiches, and Hot Chili was available for all of those that were in attendance.

Ten shooters signed up for the **ATA** (Amateur Trapshooting Association) 100 bird singles, doubles, and handicapped events. ATA winners were: **Joe Popowich Jr** Singles 93, **Richard Willard Jr** Hdcp 84, **Joe Popowich Jr** Doubles 67, and **Tom May** HOA

We also had seven shooters show for the **NSSA** (National Skeet Shooting Association) event. They shot 50 Birds in each of 12ga, 20ga, 28ga and .410 bore. Congrats to the winners in each division. HOA **Jason Johnson**, **Dan Hankinson** HOA Runner-up, **Brian Myers B**, **George Mayhak D**

Thanks to all the Charter Members as well as Associate members that helped with setting up the fields and getting the event ready to run. It is your help that makes these events possible.

## Range Closures during Inclement Weather

We will be closing the rifle/pistol ranges, as well as shotgun fields during adverse weather conditions. As we are a volunteer organization we do not expect our range monitors and trap kids to risk their lives getting to club.

If you plan shooting during bad weather conditions please call ahead or check the web site. **Thank You.**

## January Straights

D. Tagg 100 S  
D. Bigelow 75 S  
D. Bradley 50 S  
T. May 50 T  
J. Pop Jr. 50 S

F. Nabkey 25 S 12ga (2), 20ga, 28ga, .410

D. Boomstra 25 20 & 28ga S	J. Koopmans 25 12ga S (2)
D. Bradley 25 12ga S	K. May 25 T
A. Christinson 25 20ga S	B. Myers 25 16 & 28ga S
M. Dykstra 25 T	J. Pop Jr. 25 T (3)
C. Ferrari 25 20ga S, 25T	L. Steele 25 12ga S
D. Gervais 25 20ga S	T. Westedt 25 20ga S
M. Kamps 25 T	C. Willyard 25 T

### \* Hat Shoots:

Chris Ferrari 28ga S  
Bart Froehke 12ga S  
Fred Nabkey S 20ga, 28ga, .410

\*In honor of your first straight, everyone will shoot your hat\*



## **CPL Class**

March 11 8:30AM – 6:30PM

WWSC Indoor range

\$90 Charter members & family (each)

\$100 Associate members & family (each)

\$125 General public

TommyGunsMI@gmail.com / 616-920-1701

[www.TommyGunsTraining.com](http://www.TommyGunsTraining.com)

Tom O'Brien - NRA and MCRGO certified instructor

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## Kitchen Open during Leagues

### Lunch/Dinner

Burgers \$3.00, with cheese \$3.50, and Fries \$1.00

Monday Night Archery 6pm

Wednesday Night Shotgun 6pm

Saturday Shotgun/Archery 10am

### Sunday Breakfast 10am \$4.00

Eggs, Potatoes, French toast, and Meat.

**Good food, great price!!**

## Out of the Bag

by: Wes Walker

Do you reload your own shotgun shells? Do you find that in the winter months it is hard to find powder, or have to spend \$100.00 on components in order to buy powder?

IMR Legendary Powders now offers four new powders to compete with Alliant. The powders are: Red, Blue, Green, and Unequal. They also offer a new pistol powder called Target.

The reloading data for shot shells is almost exactly the same as when using the corresponding Alliant Powders. The pressure values as well as speed, and drop amounts are very close.

These powders were released in January, and should now be available in our area through Shantz Supply, and our local shops, Dan's in Comstock Park, and Bill's in Marne.

Speaking of reloading, how many of you do not have a scale to check how much powder or shot you are dropping?

Powders vary from lot to lot and it is not uncommon to use a larger or smaller bushing to drop the appropriate amount of powder to achieve your targeted speeds. You have to weigh your powder charge folks, you cannot rely on just reading the reloading data and put a bushing in. It doesn't work that way.

Look for our upcoming "SPEED DAY", we will set up some chronographs and check the speed of your shot gun loads. It takes five shells to get a good reading, and you will be surprised on how your speeds vary between those five loads.

## **2017 Big Gun Raffle**

Jan	Ruger 10/22 Carbine Collectors Series	Jutta Grieves #35
Feb	Ruger LCRx 38 Special	
Mar	T/C Impact .50 cal Camo – Weather Shield	
Apr	S&W Shield, Ported 9mm	
May	Winchester SXP 12ga Pump	
Jun	Glock 19, Gen4 – 9mm	
Jul	Savage B-Mag Laminate 17WSM	
Aug	Sig Sauer P320, Night Sights, 9mm	
Sep	Savage 220F 20ga Slug Gun	
Oct	Ruger SR1911 SS 45 Auto	
Nov	Browning AB3 Composite Stalker 30.06	
Dec	Springfield EMP .40SW	

# February 2017

# WWSC Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	<b>2</b> Archery League 9:30am	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm *Indoor Range 5p-9p Kitchen Open am
<b>5</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm Shotgun League 4-Registered lines due Kitchen Open	<b>6</b> Archery League 6:00pm NWTf Meeting 7pm Kitchen Open	<b>7</b> 4H Meeting 6:45 pm	<b>8</b> Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	<b>9</b> Archery League 9:30am Charter Meeting 7:30	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm *Indoor Range 5p-9p Kitchen Open am
<b>12</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm Kitchen Open	<b>13</b> Archery League 6:00pm Kitchen Open	<b>14</b>  Winchester/NRA Qualification Indoor Range 5pm-9pm	<b>15</b> Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	<b>16</b> Archery League 9:30am	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm Pirate Fun Shoot 3pm *Indoor Range 5p-9p Kitchen Open am
<b>19</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm Kitchen Open	<b>20</b> Archery League 6:00pm Kitchen Open	<b>21</b> 4H Meeting 6:45 pm	<b>22</b> Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	<b>23</b> Archery League 9:30am	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm *Indoor Range 5p-9p Kitchen Open am
<b>26</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm Kitchen Open	<b>27</b> Archery League 6:00pm Kitchen Open	<b>28</b> Walleye Club 7pm – 9pm Board Meeting 7pm	<b>1 March</b> Archery and Shotgun 9am-12pm 6pm-10pm Kitchen Open pm only	<b>2</b> Archery League 9:30am	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Archery and Shotgun 10am-2pm *Indoor Range 5p-9p Kitchen Open am

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