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Charter Meeting Mar 8 – 7:30pm

Board Meeting Mar 27 - 7:00pm

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

Ranges & Outdoor Archery Please call ahead before coming out to shoot until further notice

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Support and Pray For Our Troops

## The Newsletter

March 2018

# West Walker Sportsman's Club

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Johann Combrink and Kasey Bylsma from Numzaan Safaris, are supporting our West Walker Sportsman's club Banquet this year with a 7-day South African safari for 2 hunters! This 2x1 hunt will take place in the Limpopo Province and can be scheduled for the hunting season of March through October of 2018 or 2019. This hunt offers a \$750 credit toward trophy fees for EACH hunter! This donation can be upgraded to include more hunters, non-hunters, and days all per the



current pricelist with the outfitter. The hunter can use a minimum .270 rifle. Rifles and ammo are available to rent from Numzaan at a minimal cost. Hunt arrival and departure point is Johannesburg, Oliver Tambo International Airport. Included in this donation are transportation to and from the airport, all transportation during the safari, lodging, laundry, meals during the safari, and field prep including skinning, caping, and salting of trophies. [Not included is Day of Arrival and Day of Departure, Airfare, and Shipping of Trophies]

Please feel free to check out our website: www.numzaan.com For further guestions please contact: Kasey@numzaan.com & Johann@numzaan.com

#### We thank Numzaan Safaris for this 100% donation!

## Sportsman's Banquet

March 24, 2018

New Members can join for \$65 only available at the banquet

#### Orders must be postmarked on or before March 17th.

There will be no tickets sold after this date. Be sure to get your ticket orders in as soon as possible.

#### There are only 220 tickets available

So, purchase your tickets early to insure you have a place for this fun filled event. You do not need to be a member to attend.

### No tickets will be sold at the door!

Cost for the banquet is \$50 for adults and \$25 age 16 and under. This includes dinner and a door prize.

Tickets ordered in groups of 8 will receive reserved seating. The fun begins at 5:30 pm with cocktails, appetizers, games and Chinese raffles. Dinner will be served at 7:00.

## NRA WINCHESTER

If you haven't heard or have just forgotten, West Walker Sportsman's Club is proud to participate in the Winchester / NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program. The program provides the standards and criteria to be met, as well as incentive awards for developing and improving marksmanship skills. Progression is self-paced and scores are challenging but attainable. Performance is measured against established par scores and any shooter who meets or exceeds those scores is entitled to the corresponding recognition awards for that rating. Shooters acquire the large discipline patch at the onset of the program and as each rating is earned, they are entitled to all of the corresponding awards. Each rating level has a skill rocker, medal, and certificate award that recognizes and highlights the achievement.

The courses of fire in the qualification program are designed to take shooters from beginning skill levels (Pro-Marksman and Marksman) through intermediate levels (Marksman 1st Class, Sharpshooter, and Expert) up to the nationally recognized skill level and pinnacle of the program, Distinguished Expert.

We will be participating in the following qualifications

**Pistol Qualification Conventional Bullseye Pistol** Rimfire Rifle **International Air Rifle** 

#### Shotgun

Any of the non-shotgun qualifications can be done on the range whenever you are there. Targets, brochures, score sheets and patches can be found at either the range office or at the shotgun desk. These are a great challenge and would make for some enjoyable shooting on Wednesday evening at the indoor range.

Shotgun qualifications can be attained during our normal Trap / Skeet times.

More information can be found at the official site: http://mqp.nra.org

by calling the NRA at (703) 267-1505 or contacting them via email: marksmanship@nrahq.org Why not challenge yourself today?



Ducks taken out by Cupid's Commando's.



We all had a great time at the last shoot. The duck targets took a beating. It will be fun to see how people do with the little green frogs I have for the March shoot. We had fun guessing how many M & M's were in our candy dishes, closest guess got first shot at the door prizes. Our top shooters were: 1st: Russ Axddorff, 2nd: Greg Vanderhorn, 3rd: Mark Boguszewski. Once again, I extend thanks to Fran Handy, who was our Range Safety Officer, Rhonda Vanderhorn for the wonderful heart cake and cherry cobbler, and all the people that helped clean up the range, classroom, set up and clean up the food. You all make putting on these fun shoots easy enough for me to keep them up Submitted by Gloria Von der Heide



## **Information about FOWWSC**

#### Friends of West Walker Sportsman's Club a 501c3 non-profit organization.

The Friends of West Walker Sportsman's Club aka FOWWSC organization has been re-established as approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors for West Walker Sportsman's Club aka WWSC in the January 30, 2018 meeting.

FOWWSC was officially granted the non-profit 501c3 status with a TAX ID # by the State of Michigan in 2013 to allow tax deductible donations to all those that wish to contribute to the organization. The purpose of such would be to raise funds on a tax favorable basis, apply for grants, and solicit contributions that will be tax deductible from individuals, big and small businesses, and manage bequests through wills and trusts, etc.

Newly appointed FOWWSC officers are: Chair - Jim Rosin, Treasurer – Rich Vander Meer, Secretary – Denny Fuller, and Directors – Troy Potter, Tom Meyers, Pat Murray, Dan Bradley. The committee will meet as needed, or a minimum of twice per year.

#### **FOWWSC Mission Statement:**

"The mission of FOWWSC is to introduce, educate and promote conservation of our natural resources with emphasis on the outdoor sports of hunting, fishing, archery, shooting and wildlife habitat management to the youth, women, and physically challenged of Michigan".

100% of any contribution supports our mission as the Board of Directors (officers) are voluntary and receives no compensation from FOWWSC or WWSC.

Initially (2012) WWSC loaned FOWWSC \$5,000 to establish the organization as arranged by the founder Rady Delgado. As of February 8, 2018, the entire loan amount plus interest was repaid to WWSC. The club's generosity is acknowledged as vital to the ongoing success of FOWWSC.

Recently FOWWSC board members sent out donation request letters to approximately 80 + businesses and organizations in the State and locally to help off-set raising costs for the WWSC Sportsman's Banquet in March 2018.

Notice to all WWSC Charter, Associate Members and others reading this newsletter: Anyone wishing to donate to Friends of West Walker Sportsman's Club as a tax deduction and/or promotion for the mission described above please notify: Jim Rosin 616-250-0395 or jimrosin@comcast.net Rich Vander Meer 616-292-0681 rlvandermeer@comcast.net We will forward a receipt to you for the tax deduction

WWSC has decided to sponsor the children of 5 charters and 3 associate members for MUCC camp
Sign up at the Shooting desk. We will draw from any names submitted
Cutoff date is April 8.
For more info see www.mucccamp.org

### **Trap and Skeet**

New RFID System West Walker has two trap fields and two skeet fields that are open to the public, You do not have to be a member to shoot skeet and trap.

Our fields are handicapped-accessible, with lights for night time shooting.

Voice activation is available on both trap fields and pullers are provided on the skeet fields. Our trap machines are easily converted to throw Wobble Trap and Doubles Trap. Marked cement pathways provide the means to shoot Handicap Trap as well.

Never shot the game but you'd like to try? Just come on out There's usually someone around who is more than willing to show you the ropes.

#### We welcome new shooters !

**Prices** 

Hours

Members	\$4.00	Wednesday	9am-12:00 6:00pm-10:00pm	
Non-Members	\$8.00	Saturday	10:00am-2:00pm	
Juniors/Seniors	\$3.50	Sunday	10:00am-2:00pm	

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

## **Shotgun Leagues**

Trap and Skeet leagues are run in the winter and spring, with a banquet following league competitions. Fun shoots are held at various times throughout the year.

Check our <u>newsletters</u> and the clubhouse for upcoming events.

Check the most recent league information and league scores.

Important Things to Know

- Only target loads with #7 ½ shot or smaller (8, 9, etc) are allowed on the trap and skeet fields.
- Shotgun ammo is available for purchase in the clubhouse
- The club does **NOT** rent guns
- We accept Cash, Personal Checks, Visa, MasterCard and Discover
- Trap and Skeet safety rules are posted on the fields. Please take the time to observe them!

## 25 Straight

If it's the first time you've shot 25 targets in a row we hope you've brought an extra hat, because we round everyone up and shoot it to commemorate the event!

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Class Schedule	March Range Hours		
No CPL or AR Class scheduled this month	Mar 1 – 15     Mar 16 – 28       Mon – Sat: 9:00am – 6:30pm     9am-6:45pm       Sundays: 10:00am – 6:30pm     10am-6:45pm       *March 24 we will be closing at 3pm     Link for range rules		

2018 Big Gun Raffle Winners						
Jan	Ruger Predator 6.5 Cal	#250	Bill Tingley			
Feb	Ruger SR22 .22LR	#59	<b>Rich Ponstein</b>			
Mar	Henry Golden Boy .22LR					
Apr	Ruger LCR .38 Special +P					
Мау	Remington V3 12g Semi-Auto					
Jun	Glock 43 9mm Special Edition					
Jul	Browning AB3 7mm pkg w/Nikon Scope					
Aug	Ruger Mark IV Target SS 22LR					
Sep	Tikka T3 Stainless 22-250 cal					
Oct	Ruger SR1911 SS 9mm					
Nov	Springfield Armory Saint AR15 23 cal					
Dec	FNH FNX 45 Tactical 45ACP					

West Walker Sportsman Club is looking for range monitors to check memberships on the rifle & pistol ranges in 4-6 hour shifts. No experience necessary, we will train you. 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 imdmize@yahoo.com.

Monitors will receive free annual membership renewal for working 100 hours. These are voluntary positions. Range monitors that work 2 full shifts a month will be able to use the indoor pistol range **NO GUESTS** 

March 2018							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
				1	2	3 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm	
<b>4</b> Archery-Trap-Skeet 10am-2pm	5 NWTF Meeting 7pm Indoor Archery 6pm	6 4H Sports 7pm	7 Archery-Trap-Skeet 9a-12p & 6p-10p Indoor Range Open Shoot 4:30pm – 8pm	8 Charter Meeting 7:30pm	9	10 Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm	
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April 1 Archery-Trap-Skeet 10am-2pm	2	3 4H Sports 7pm	4 Archery-Trap-Skeet 9a-12p & 6p-10p Indoor Range Open Shoot 4:30pm – 8pm	5	6	<b>7</b> Trap & Skeet 10am-2pm	