

WOLVERINE RANGERS An Organization of Cowboy Action Shooters in the State of Michigan



Updated Range War Information – 7-28-2020

There have been a number of questions that have come up with regards to the plans and procedures for Range War 2020. Please see the outline of information in this document for the latest info. Note, some restrictions are out of our control and are being updated regularly. We are following these to the best of our ability.

Please remember that COVID-19 is affecting how things are done in every aspect of our day to day lives. While the information below is what we have planned under the current State of Michigan Executive Orders, these orders are subject to change and have been changing weekly if not more often. That being said there are restrictions in place now that may not be in place in September. There may also be more restrictions that are added that could change how we move forward. As these restrictions change, we will continue to monitor and address them as necessary up until the start of the event.

Currently Executive Order 2020-110 states that St. Clair county falls within Region 1. Region 1 is declared to be in Stage 4 of the Michigan Safe Start Plan. During stage 4, Region 1 is limited to outdoor gatherings and events of up to 100 people, and states that those not of the same household maintain 6 ft social distancing from one another. For more information or to read the entire order you can visit www.michigan.gov.

Other regions, 6 thru 8, have been opened to outdoor events of 250 people, per Executive Order 2020-115. But this has not been the case for region 1 as of today. We have plans, back up plans, and more back up plans in the works. Some of which will be laid out in this information sheet.

Under the current restrictions we would be required to keep the number of shooters to a maximum of 100. Other additional restrictions may be necessary.

At this time, we are keeping a log of all shooters that are registering in numerical order based on the date the application was received. Those that register after number 100 will be notified that under the current State of Michigan restrictions that they have been placed on the waiting list.

We hope that in the coming weeks Michigan will open Region 1 with a 250-person maximum like Regions 6-8 were allowed to open up to back in June. Unfortunately, as a business we have no control over this and are forced to comply with the current government restrictions.

We intend to post weekly updates to our website from now until the start of Range War.

• Registration, Clubhouse and getting to the range

- Please note that there is construction on Range Rd. and Dove Rd. According to the state it should be complete by Range War. If not completed, there are clearly marked detour routes that only take and extra minute or two.
- o This year the clubhouse will be closed. Exceptions will be for required staff and registration volunteers only.
- o Registration will be outside of the clubhouse. We will have a pop-up canopy set up with tables. This will keep you in the shade during registration.
- o All registration volunteers will be wearing masks while interacting with participants.
- We will require masks to be worn by all participants during the registration process. Disposable masks will be available if you need one.
- Only one person at a time will be allowed at the registration table(s). Please do not congregate around the registration area.
- o Please inform us of any category changes as you register.
- o Sanitizer and cleaning wipes will be available at the registration.
- o Please practice 6 ft social distancing if any lines form. We intend to place markers on the sidewalk/ground.
- All Participants and Guests will be required to sign a waiver form to be allowed on the range, at dinner(s), or at the awards ceremony. This will include all nonshooting family members, visitors, vendors, etc.

• General range info

- o In years past we have had a single 20' x 40' tent at the entrance to the range. This was primarily used for shade and a place to sit during lunches, socializing and cowboy church on Sunday.
- O This year we will have two 20' x 40' tents in this area.
 - This will give us enough tables and chairs for up to 200 people.
 - We will also be able to spread out if limited to 100 people.
 - Tables and chairs will be spaced out as much as possible
- o Hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and sprays will be available for use in the tent areas.
- o Additional Port-Johns will be available. These will be cleaned and sanitized professionally each day, Saturday and Sunday.
- We will not have a RO training class this year.
- o Please be respectful and considerate of your fellow shooters.
 - Hugs and handshakes should be avoided.
 - Give each other space in the shooting bays and around the range.
 - Even if you are not concerned about the virus, we have plenty of shooters and staff that are.
- o If you don't feel well, please consider staying home.

• Camping Area

- The camping area will look a bit different this year as Bluewater has added more shooting bays. There will be plenty of space to camp.
- We will have someone directing parking in the campground.
- o Expect that we will be spread out a bit more than normal.

O The road to the campground has changed. Please ask when you arrive or follow the posted signs to the campground. Basically, you will follow the same road as usual, but drive all the way up to where we have the large tents set up and then drive back to the camping area.

• Shooter parking at the range

- O The parking area will be in the same location as years past.
- O Same as with the camping area the road to get to the parking has changed. It will be marked, and we will have a sign/map up at the registration table.

Shower

- o The shower will be up and open for use outside of the clubhouse.
- We will have sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and sprays available for use throughout the weekend.
- o It will not be cleaned by our volunteers but please clean up after yourself and use the provided cleaning products.

• Side Matches

- o The full side match list will be posted on the website soon.
- All mini matches are currently on as planned:
 - Cowboy AM
 - Cowboy PM
 - Wild Bunch Ethan Callahan will be heading this up this year.
 - Plainsman.
- o New side matches that are planned for this year
 - BAMM mini match Blastin Brad will be running this match.
 - Wild Bunch Speed Events
 - Speed Pistol
 - Speed Stoked 97 or Model 12
 - Pocket Pistol & Derringer will be back
 - We may even have a fun side match stage using the Texas Star and some other surprises.
- o Please contact Bad Brass if you are able to help out with the side matches.
- New score sheets, stage instructions and information will be printed at each side match stage.

• Opening Ceremony and Safety Briefing

- o This will be held near the large tents at the entrance to the range.
 - Please practice 6 ft social distancing during this time. We will keep the meeting brief and get you moving to start the shoot.
- Our National Anthem(s) will be once again be a live performance. Provided we meet current regulations.

• Saturday Night Dinner

- o As the clubhouse will be closed, we plan to have the dinner in the large tents.
- O Dinners are planned to be a catered style individually boxed dinner. Not a buffet line.
- o Bottled water will be provided at the tents.

- This dinner will be subject to change by any restrictions that have been placed on us by the State of Michigan.
 - Please note the disclaimer on the first page of this document.
 - Contingency plans are in the works.
 - Potential refund if this dinner does not happen.
 - Boxed dinners could be picked up and taken back to your hotel, camper, tent, etc.

Cowboy Church

- Will be led by Duke Dakota
- Located under the large tents.
- o Social distancing will be required

• Sunday Night Banquet and Awards

- o This is a very challenging part of the event to plan for this year.
- o Currently the banquet facility that we use is under state mandated restrictions. They are only allowed 10 people in the building at any given time.
- We have been in discussions with them to provide individually boxed meals to be delivered to the tents. These would be the same quality food we know from Alexanders, but they would be packed individually.
- o The awards would be presented before and after dinner under the tents.
- o The awards presentation will follow SASS Covid-19 guidelines.
- All popup canopies from the stages will be moved to the tent area after the match on Sunday to allow us to spread out more and be comfortable. Tables and chairs will be provided under these canopies.
- Additional port-johns will be stationed near the tents to keep everyone comfortable during the awards and dinner.
- We are working on getting hand washing stations to be near the tents as well.
- o Bottled water will be provided.
- O State restriction on gathering size contingency plans
 - We may be forced to limit the awards to shooters only.
 - Dinners may have to picked up and taken elsewhere to be enjoyed.
 - If this is restricted to shooters only, we would potentially refund all paid for guest banquet tickets, or possibly give the option to take the same boxed dinner that would be provided to the shooters.
 - As the shoot is still five weeks away, there are so many scenarios that we cannot guarantee at this time what the options will be.
 - Please follow the weekly updates on the website as more information is available.

Main Match

- o All stages will have the following:
 - Two loading tables
 - Hand sanitizer provided
 - Instead of water jugs and cups, coolers with ice cold water bottles will be available.
- o Per SASS Covid-19 guidelines:
 - All Timer Operators will be required/suggested to wear masks/facial coverings while operating the timer.

- Disinfectant spray or wipes will be provided at each stage for cleaning the timer at handoff to the next TO.
- It is recommended that no more than two scorekeepers are to be used per posse. Cleaning products will be provided for handoff to the next scorekeeper.
- Social distancing should be followed.
- o If you cannot keep the 6 ft distance between you and non-household members then we recommend you wear a mask. If you don't want to wear one keep your distance and respect the boundaries of those that do choose to wear them.
- o Posse sizes will be kept to smaller sizes this year to promote safe distances.
- o If you are at the line and your TO isn't wearing a mask, ask them to put it on or ask to change TO's. This will be explained to all posse marshals.
- O Stages will be similar as years past for distance, size and variety of sweeps. There will be a variety of movements but no marathons.
- o There will be options for gun order and left-handed & right-handed movements.
- o The star target will not be used in the main match.
- For those that had concern over stage ten and the morning dew causing slipping issues we have a solution for that this year. We should not see any issues with slipping.
- Costume checklists will be provided and filled out each morning for those shooting either Classic Cowboy/Cowgirl or B-Western/Ladies B-Western. These will be in the posse score book and will need to be filled out by the posse marshal each day.
- We have a group of scouts that have volunteered to be brass rats.
 - Assuming we are able to use them, we will require that they wear masks and gloves.
 - They will not be able to be used if we are limited to 100 shooters.

Golf Carts

- We are working to acquire a limited number of rental carts again this year.
- o If you would like your name added to the list, please contact Sinola Kid or Carolina Belle.
- O Unfortunately, price will not be determined until we have a final number of carts needed. This will be decided by August 7th.
- o Each person on the list will be contacted to review price and method of payment.
- o Payment will be required to hold the cart for delivery.

Additional Questions or Concerns

- o Please direct all questions or concerns you have to:
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