



Wolverine Rangers Epitaph



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★ Captain's Corner ★

Howdy pards,

Well the shooting season is winding down and I hope that everyone had a good time on the Range shooting with their pards. I look forward to seeing everyone next shooting season.

We lost Wall Man in October. He was one of the original Rangers and I believe that he was on the first Board of Directors. Wall Man was very active with the Lapeer Wranglers. I shot my first cowboy match with the Lapeer Wranglers back in September of 1997 when they were shooting at the gravel pit in Oxford. I first met Wall Man, Dakota Doc and Cactus Kay there along with Desperado Corrado, Texas Jack and many others. I was hooked immediately and soon thereafter signed up The Lady. It has been great fun for both of us. It is always more fun for me when I can shoot with The Lady. They later moved to the Lapeer County Sportsman's Club on Lake George Road in Attica. We often shot indoors in the old building during the winter. Wall Man was a big part of my start in Cowboy Action Shooting and he will be greatly missed. For more info on Wall Man please check out the article in this issue under the LCSC Wranglers page.

As a reminder for our Board members we will be having a Board of Directors meeting on Sunday November 25th at the Gillary Farm at 3608 Klam Road in Columbiaville. We will be sending out an Agenda to the Board members shortly before the meeting.

The holiday season will soon be upon us and The Lady and I would like to wish all of the Rangers and our other shooting friends a Happy Thanksgiving, a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

That is about all that I have for now. Please take a minute and say a prayer for all of our service men and women who have given the ultimate sacrifice.

Be sure to give your kids and grandkids a hug and a kiss and tell them that you love them every day.

Best regards,

R.J. Law – Captain
Wolverine Rangers

★ Shooting News ★

Rocky River Regulators of DSC (Utica)

Fall in Michigan has brought a temperature change to the range. On Sunday, October 21st it was cloudy and cold with temperatures in the low 40s. As the competition heated up and the scores were tallied Riverview Rattler was first overall followed by Camptown and Bad Brass.

Shooting clean matches were Camptown, Andy Horshurodinon, The Lost Egg, and Ro-dent.

The competition continued as some match attendees competed for the top prize of a \$100 gift card to Cabelas in our annual Chili Cook Off. The following were winners in the Chili Cook Off contest...

First Place Overall and Best Chili and winner of a \$100 Cabelas Gift Card Longshot Lillian

Best Fowl Chili	Sid Vicious
Best Bean Chili	Penny Ante
Hottest Chili	Coffin Nail Bob

The next two matches at DSC are:
Sunday, November 4, 2018 5 stage Wild Bunch Match

Sunday, November 18, 2018 5 stage Cowboy Action Match

See you on the range.

J.J. Longley

The Eagleville Cowboys - Central Lake

Well Pard, the Eagleville Cowboys have wrapped up another good year of Cowboy Action Shooting. Today, our large crowd of Cowboys and Cowgirls was not as large as usual. I guess some folks thought that our usual every day rain was going to do it again today, but it didn't. The grass was wet, but none of the shooters or their guns got wet. It was a good day for shooting, it didn't rain until after we were done and everything was put inside for the winter. Sorry if'n ya missed it.

When the smoke cleared, the following shooters came out on top of their categories:

First Place & L.Sir.Sr. - T.N.Tina, Sr. - Bulldog Jim, Catl.Br. - Thummpier John, Wrgr.

- Marlin Matt, 49er - Bar Gun Hunter, Grand Patron - One Son of a Gun. No clean shooters.

A Big thanx to our crew that is always there to set up so we can shoot, Trusty Rusty, Thummpier John, Bulldog Jim, Trusty Sharon and myself, . And Tin Pan Sam for writing all our stages. Without them, we would not be having matches so we can shoot.

We hope to see y'all next year, or someplace down the trail. Happy Winter.

One Son of a Gun

Hidden Valley Cowboys - Sturgis

Sure was a cold morning to be shooting. As you can see by the scores, cold hands and cold guns were not our friends. We had 25 shooters today! Three new shooters to the Valley, Keelhaul, Bad River Marty and Ethan Callahan, and someone we haven't seen in a while, Short Term Emory. Welcome to the Valley, and we hope ya'all had fun!

Like to thank everyone who helped Sauk Trail Mike and I set up the Valley and helped today: Blackthorne Billy, Grandpaw Willie and Triple Threat.

We had 3 Clean shooters today, Sauk Valley Stubby, Tommy Two Fingers and Triple Threat!!
Congratulations!!!

Thank you also to Ka Adik Krista and Tommy Two Fingers for bringing and serving lunch today. They brought Vegetable Beef Soup, and I don't know what else. Ms. Blazin and I missed lunch. We were looking forward to it. Ms. Blazin and I would like to thank everyone who helped out after her fall, Ethan Callaghan (the Firefighter) for patching her up, with the

help of Ya Big Tree's miracle powder. Tommy Two Fingers and Ka Adik Krista for helping keeping her calm. Sauk Trail Mike and Triple Threat for wrapping things up at the Valley. And everyone who has been calling concerned about her. She has some cuts, bruises, scrapes and two black eyes, but doing well! Thank you! Cowboys and cowgirls are the BEST!

Our next shoot will be April 21, 2019. Registration opens at 8:15 AM, side shoots start at 8:30 AM, and the mandatory safety meeting starts at 9:45 AM, preceding the main match.

Thank all of you for participating at Hidden Valley and hope to see you next year!

Stubby, Mike & Ms. Blazin



Straight Shots from Saginaw

October is over and we're still wondering how many more leaves will fall before we trade in our six-shooters for leaf blowers and rakes. For now, we're put on hold until the weather decides to cooperate.

Actually, looking back over the 2018 shooting season and into fall, we've had our fair share of rainy days. It seemed like quite a few of our matches started out with sprinkles, of varying degree, but that fickle weather always seemed to evaporate into sunshine and good times.

We'd like to thank those who were able to come shoot with us in 2018. It's always fun seeing everyone and we're looking forward to doing it again next year. If you haven't been to our shoots, here's your invite to join in the fun. Big, up-close targets and scenarios you don't need a map to follow.

The Saginaw Cowboys met together for their annual potluck and meeting in October and "tentative" 2019 match dates are May 11, June 8, July 13 and Aug. 24th. Check your W.R. Calendar next year to confirm. We'd love to have you shoot with us.

Talking about calendars...the next two months are busy and very important ones. Set your clocks back to be on time for Election Day, Nov. 6th. We're not sure who said this; some attribute it to President Teddy Roosevelt. "A vote is like a rifle: its usefulness depends upon the character of the user." Veteran's Day, Nov. 11th is a time to honor our Vets and prepares us for that special day of thanks on November 22nd. It really is more than just stuffing the turkey (and ourselves!). Let's give thanks for family, friends, and all that we hold dear. And then, before you know it, it's Christmas. For many, we continue our thanksgiving with celebrating the birth of Jesus.

We hope every day is filled with many blessings for each of you and may we all have a grateful attitude for even the smallest of things. God bless America and each one of us.

We hope to see you on the trail. Until then, remember to live life. Give it your best shot.

Bad River Marty & Katie Callahan

Johnson Creek Regulators - Plymouth

"It was, as I have said, a fine autumnal day; the sky was clear and serene, and nature wore that rich and golden livery which we always associate with the idea of abundance. The forests had put on their sober brown and yellow, while some trees of the tenderer kind had been nipped by the frosts into brilliant dyes of orange, purple, and scarlet."

- [Washington Irving](#), "[The Legend of Sleepy Hollow](#)"

Well, not really. The sky was overcast and one could barely see the trees for the fine mist in the air that some would call rain. Twenty one Cowboys and Girls braved the inclement weather to partake in Three Deuce Tom's version of Halloween.

Because of a cleverly set up course, we were still able to bash some pumpkins and cabbage on stages one and two; though we certainly missed TDT's usual Halloween props. TDT moved us back undercover to finish the last match of the year.

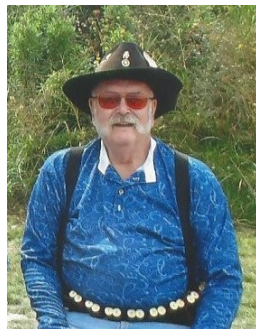
We welcomed Kentucky, a new participant to our sport. Kentucky had a fine first outing with only a P keeping him from turning in a clean match. TDT (possibly with the advantage of writing the stages) had a clean match. Rev. Miss A Lot was overall match winner with a fine time corrected time of 162.14 on a muddy track. Snuffy Dave Edwards was second and took first overall in the Cattle Baron category. Rounding out the top five were Wolverine Regulator, Sarge and Panhead Pete.

That's a wrap for this year. The Johnson Creek Regulator's would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Holiday Season. We're looking forward to seeing everyone in 2019.

"Halloween is not only about putting on a costume, but it's about finding the imagination and costume within ourselves." Elvis Duran

L.C.S.C. Wranglers - Lapeer

Wall-Man
a/k/a Wallace A. Liley Jr.
1941-2018



In this life we travel between the eternities, from the barn to the packen house, another fine cowboy finds his way to the last round up. Wally lived his life as a resident of Oxford, Michigan and graduated from Oxford High School in 1959. He attended Oakland University where he earned his Bachelor's Degree, and then at-

tended Michigan State University to get his Master's Degree. Wally taught American History and Civics at Lake Orion Schools. He coached baseball and football for the school system, which earned him a place in the Michigan High School Hall of Fame in both sports. He was an active member of the North-South Skirmish Association. He also started the Cowboy shooting program at Lapeer County Sportsmen's Club. Wally was also one of the original life members that organized the Wolverine Rangers and was Territorial Governor for SASS. Our prayers go out to his family. He will be missed.

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