



Wolverine Rangers Epitaph



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★ Captain's Corner ★

Howdy Pard,

It's hard to believe it is June already. I have been trying to get out and shoot as much as possible. Last week was the Ohio State shoot. There were over 20 Michigan shooters out of the 126 participants, many placed very well, and fun was had by all. Three of us finished in the top ten. JC Wade was in 10th place. Three Gun Cole finished in 6th place. And I finished in 5th place.

This year's Free Membership Shoot is coming up. It will be held at Lapeer County Sportsman's Club on Sunday June 6th. We will meet in the clubhouse for lunch, awards, and the Wolverine Rangers Annual Membership meeting. We will review plans for Range War and this year's Michigan State Wild Bunch Action Shooting Championship "Shootout at Bloody Porch. There will be giveaways like previous years: one entry to Gunsmoke, one entry to Range War, one entry to Shootout at Bloody Porch, Starline Brass, etc. So, join us for a fun day of shooting, see what's happening with the Wolverine Rangers and possibly end up with a nice prize.

Shootout at Bloody Porch:

Applications are coming in. If you plan to shoot this match, please sign up as soon as possible. It will make planning for awards much easier.



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Range War preparation:

This year will be our 24th annual Range War. As always this will be held at Bluewater Sportsman's Club. Applications are still coming in, on par with what we would expect at this time of year. In the past week or so we have posted updates to the following: the schedule of events, map of the range, hotel information, disclaimer, golf cart information, swap meet info and the cancellation policy. Please check out the website to review these documents. We have some new things planned as well; more information will be on the website in the coming weeks.

We will have the EMS ambulance on site again this year. Golf cart information has been posted. If you have any questions or would like more info please give me a call, email, or text.

Again, please sign up as soon as possible. The earlier we can account for the number of shooters and categories, the more time we have to order higher quality awards. These take time to be made and delivered, especially in the current climate of supply chain shortages. This also goes for the T-Shirts. These are taking longer to get, and supplies are surprisingly limited. I will need to place the order earlier than last year and having a good count at the time of order will be key.

I look forward to seeing you all this spring and at the Free Membership Shoot,

Sinola Kid

Sinola Kid
Captain Wolverine Rangers





Butcher Butte Bunch - Fenton

There were fewer shooters than usual at the May match. Perhaps because it was Mother's Day or perhaps letting people know in advance what one of the stages would be scared them off. The match must have been a bit more challenging than expected because there were no clean shooters.

The mud that was present for the April match had all but dried up so we were able to use all the shooting bays that we usually use. It was another pretty day. We had a few shooters from other clubs in attendance. It is always nice to host folks from other clubs. And we can get some good ideas from talking with them.

It is planned that the June match (June 12) will be using only two shooting bays. That should make it easier for traveling from one stage to another as there will be minimal traveling distance.

Come join us at the June match. Registration begins at 8:45 and the mandatory safety meeting will be at 9:30. If you have some friends that have expressed an interest bring them along. They are welcome as long as they have eye and hearing protection. We have opened up the categories too so if they don't have all the equipment they can come and play anyway.





Rocky River Regulators of DSC — Utica

Sunday, May 15th was sunny and hot! The only thing hotter than the air temperature was the shooting scores being posted by the twenty-two competitors that traveled to Rocky River for some furious competition.

After the dust settled and the scores were calculated Riverview Rattler was the top finisher followed closely by Leadfoot Luke and Sinola Kid.

Shooting clean matches were Riverview Rattler, Leadfoot Luke, Rifle Rick, Hey Sugar, Bad Brass, Camptown, Wildcat Maverick, Broke N West, and Old Doc Potter.

Coming events at DSC for the month of June include...

Sunday, June 5, 2022 Service Rifle Match

Sunday, June 19, 2022 Monthly Cowboy Match

Sunday, June 26, 2022 Wild Bunch Match, this is a rescheduled match.

Check the Wolverine Ranger's web site for starting times for all our events.

Still, plenty of shooting opportunities at DSC-Utica. Come out and have some fun!

See you on the range.

J.J. Longley





Hidden Valley Cowboys - Sturgis

The Valley had 34 shooters for our May match and the weather was perfect for Cowboy Shooting.

We had the crew from Wolff's Rowdy Rangers come up from Bristol Indiana and shoot with us, great bunch of shooters.

Congratulations to our 3 Clean shooters this month, Lighting Bill Carson, Sauk Valley Stubby and Rover. Our Clean Match Coaster's were made by Ka Adik Krista.

I would like to thank Cayuse Jack and Justice D Spencer for helping me out with posse duties great Cowboys always willing to help out when needed.

Krista and Tommy did a fantastic job as always with Coffee and Donuts, and our lunch.

I have a great posse that helps set up on the Sunday before our shoot thank you, Mike, Triple Threat, Stubby, Ya Big Tree, Tommy Two Fingers, and Ka Adik Krista.

Our next shoot will be June 19, 2021. 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.

Johnny Rebel
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Straight Shots from Saginaw

Can you believe that June is here already? Saginaw held its first match of 2022 on May 14. We enjoyed a great day of shooting with 34 shooters, with 13 clean shooters. Avalanche Andy was overall winner and Sinola Kid, Doc Noper, Duel'in Dylan, Shiloh Red, JC Wade, Lead Foot Luke, Bad River Marty, Wolverine Regulator and Card Shark Charlie filled in the Top Ten Shooter's List.

The weather was exceptionally warm and threatened rain, but it held off. Our cooks, Sally & Julie, once again served up a great lunch and it was just a fun day of shooting and visiting with everyone.

Don't forget we will NOT be shooting in June. Our next shoot will be Saturday, July 9th and we're looking for some fun stages.

For all you Wild Bunch shooters, on July 23rd, Saginaw plans to host the State Wild Bunch Match. www.wolverinerangers.com/WildBunch_State.html

We hope to see you during this shooting season. Until next time, remember to live life....give it your best shot!

Happy Trails from Bad River Marty & Katie Callahan





Sucker Creek Peacemakers - Breckenridge

It never rains on a shoot day....

The weather man was predicting rain all day for our shoot for most of the week leading up to Saturday...but Friday showed a chance of an opening for a clear AM and we kept our fingers crossed and we had a plan that if it did rain we would shoot the match under our covered stages...but the rain held off and we had great weather for our shoot.

The day didn't start out as we had planned...Chica hit a deer on the way to the range and had to have her car towed. The deer didn't give her a chance to avoid it...sure messed up the front end of the car...fortunately Chica wasn't hurt, but she was shook up pretty bad and didn't feel like shooting the match after that.

We had 19 shooters brave the weather...and 5 clean shooters...I like to have 20 percent or more clean...so it was a good match.

Doc Noper was our top shooter followed closely by JC Wade...JC is getting faster all the time.

We also welcomed a New Shooter to our range, Bad Man Mix...I believe he said this was just his 2nd match. It was also great to have Shelby Kid visit us for the first time...I'm sure we'll see more of him. Todd All In also brought his youngest son ...Little Haus...great to see the young shooters.

Chica and I both shot the Ohio State match this past weekend and we are planning to attend the Indiana State match next week...so I'll be getting some ideas for new stages for our next shoot this June, so be sure to come out and join us for some fun shooting.

Don't forget to make plans to join us for our Old School camp and shoot in August...we'll have fun stages and games planned for you.

**Remember....Smooth is fast.
Riverview & Chica**





Johnson Creek Regulators - Plymouth

On May 27, 1837 James Butler "Wild Bill" Hickok was born in Troy Grove, Illinois. On May 27, 2022 fifteen Cowboys and Cowgirls showed up for a wild time at Johnson Creek. The weather was perfect for our second match of the year.

The day started with our pistol side match. William Kid Henry won the pistol side match, and a free match. Chiricahua Mama was the winner of the 50-50 drawing.

Nevada Gambler was the clear winner of the main match. William Kid Henry and Soaring Red Hawk had a good battle for second place, with William Kid Henry edging our Soaring Red Hawk. Two Guns Josh was the top Young Gun.

We'd like to take an opportunity to congratulate our three shooters that attended Ohio's State Championship. Jay Bird Regulator won the Buckaroo category. Sarge placed third in the Senior Gunfighter and Wolverine Regulator was fourth in the 49er Category. The entire Michigan contingent of twenty-two shooters did well with many Category Championships.

The Johnson Creek Regulator's next meeting is Wednesday June 8th . We start with practice at 4:30 pm, followed by a meeting at 6:30 in the clubhouse. Our next match is scheduled for June 25. And don't forget our July match is a Limited Mobility match. All stages in July will be stand or sit and deliver stages with minimal movement required. So, if you know any shooters who have let the gear get a bit dusty, tell them to dust it off and bring it out in July.

"I have tried to live my life so that my family would love me and my friends respect me. The others can do whatever the hell they please." John Wayne.

Happy Trails.





Badwater Longhorns - Mancelona

On May 7th The Badwater Longhorns held their first shoot of 2022 at the Chain O'Lakes Sportsman's Club near Mancelona. The weather was sunny, windy and warmish, and the ten cowboys and cowgirls who showed up had a great time. Lunch was provided by Quackshot Pam and Petoskey Pete. The Faygo Kid finished first overall, followed by Hey Sugar and Leadfoot Luke. Rowdy Rusk had the only clean match.

The Badwater Longhorns next shoot will be June 4th at Chain O'Lakes Sportsman's Club. Please RSVP to : jlthumm1943@gmail.com so we can plan for lunch.

The Badwater Longhorns name originates from fact that the ground water in this area is polluted (Bad water) and the adjacent farmer was raising longhorn cattle (Longhorns) at the time the club was formed. Crackshot Fanny, who sadly passed away a few years ago, was the club member who suggested the name.

Hope to see you,
Thummpner John





L.C.S.C. Wranglers - Lapeer

Howdy folks,

It's time for everyone to forget about winter, get your guns out of moth balls, oil them up and get ready for summer shoots.

Sunday, May 1, 2022 was the Lapeer County Wranglers second monthly match. The day started out a little cloudy and cool but it didn't take long for the weather to warm up. Everyone who attended had a great time. Top shooter was Spartan Johnny and we had one clean match and that was Old Doc Potter. For lunch Trail Wench cooked up homemade taco boats, chocolate chip cookies, chips and soda. After the cowboy match we shot a wild bunch match.

Next month's match is on June 5, 2022 it will also be the Wolverine Rangers free match. Hope to see you all there.

Until then, Happy Trails!

Horse Whisperer George Metis
aka George Boisineau





The Shooter's Stance



Howdy Y'all,

With temperatures warming up and more shooting activities going on, it would be a good time to remind ourselves about the signs and symptoms of heat related illnesses. These include heat stress, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. They are heat related illnesses that can become a medical emergency.

Heat stress can cause irritability, mild dizziness or weakness. If you experience these symptoms, you should rest in a cool area, drink water, and place moist, warm compresses over cramping muscles. If heat stress isn't treated when the first mild symptoms are evident, it can progress to much more serious problems like heat stroke or heat exhaustion. These are both very serious conditions.

Heat exhaustion's main symptom is cold moist, pale skin. It is usually accompanied by nausea, headache, dizziness and a weak, rapid pulse.

Heat stroke's main symptom is hot, dry, flushed skin. It is usually accompanied by an irregular pulse, dizziness, confusion, and sometimes loss of consciousness or convulsions.

Please be mindful during these hot months and keep hydrated. Pace yourself and take a break. Assist other shooters with tasks, allowing them to cool down and rest. And as Leadfoot Luke is always saying to me, "Do you have sunscreen on?"

This may also be a good time to become familiar with your club's emergency protocol.

Wishing you the best summer,
Hey Sugar ❤️



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Know the Difference Between Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke

Heat Exhaustion



Symptoms

- headache
- dizzy or fainting
- heavy sweating
- cold, pale and clammy skin
- nausea or vomiting
- fast, weak pulse
- weakness or muscle cramps
- excessive thirst

What to do

- Hydrate with water or sports drinks. No alcohol.
- Move to a cooler, air-conditioned place.
- Lie down.
- If fully conscious, sip water.
- Take a cool shower or use cold compresses.
- If vomiting continues, seek medical attention.
- Act quickly. Untreated heat exhaustion can progress to heat stroke.
- Remove tight fitting clothing or extra layers

Heat Stroke – Medical Emergency



Symptoms

- headache
- confusion or delirium
- may lose consciousness
- no sweating/dry skin
- hot, red skin
- nausea or vomiting
- rapid heart rate
- body temperature above 104° F

What to do

- Call 911. This is a medical emergency.
- Move the person to a cooler place.
- Use cold compresses to reduce body temperature.
- Do not give fluids

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- Any Wolverine Ranger or Range War Concerns
- Vendor Registration and Information

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- Volunteer to help with Range War

WOLVERINE RANGER'S SECRETARY

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