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★ Captain's Corner ★

Howdy Pards,

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.

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.

Sinola Kid

Captain Wolverine Rangers

Binda Kid

(Reprint from June 2022)



Butcher Butte Bunch - Fenton

The June match at Butcher Butte was much like the other matches have been this year with a couple significant exceptions.

The weather was nice and with only using two bays for the five stages there was not much walking or cart moving necessary.

There were only 10 competitors and when the smoke had cleared Chuck the Stampede took top honors. There were no clean shooters.

Longshot Lillian did triple duty for the June match as she not only took care of registration she also wrote the entire match and was Match Director. Reports are that she did a fantastic job. On the day before, it was she and one other lady (non cowboy) who took care of the match setup.

Since there were so few competitors everybody needed to work and work they did. There was great cooperation among all of them. After the match several people stayed to help with teardown. Longshot Lillian would like to express her gratitude and appreciation to those who stayed to help.

It was nice to see Hartabe Humble at the match. It was also nice to see someone taking advantage of the relaxed firearm requirements at Fenton. Hartabe shot in the Prospector category. This was the first occurrence of someone shooting in one of the new categories at Fenton.

With the newly announced fee structure at Fenton, we hope to see some more new faces. In case you missed it, if you have never shot a cowboy match at Fenton before, your price to play will be only \$5.00. It doesn't make any difference if you are an experienced shooter who has been shooting elsewhere for a long time or if you are brand new to the game. It'll still be just \$5.00 for your first cowboy match at Fenton.

Spoiler alert: Keep an eye on the Wolverine Rangers website for an announcement from Fenton. The announcement should be published around the middle of July.

We hope to see you at our July match on July 10.





Rocky River Regulators of DSC — Utica

Sunday, June 19 th was a perfect day for a Cowboy Action match! Not only was it Father's Day but the weather was sunny and in the mid 70s. The targets were close and hittable, and the scenarios were straight forward. Now the competition did their part, and the match was fast and furious.

After the dust settled and the scores were calculated Sinola Kid was the top finisher followed closely by Apache Wolf and Shelby Kid.

Shooting clean matches were Sinola Kid, Hey Sugar, J.J. Longley, Camptown, Nevada Gambler, Attica Jack, Soaring Red Hawk, Broke N West, Micky Lobe, and Dead on Dave.

Coming events at DSC for the month of July include... Sunday, July 10, 2022 Wild Bunch Match Sunday, July 17, 2022 Monthly Cowboy Match Sunday, July 24, 2022 Service Rifle 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 26 shooters for our June Father's Day match, lots of family showed up to watch and a few visitors came out.

The Valley Road repairs turned out great, big thanks to Sauk Valley Stubby, Sauk Trail Mike, Triple Treat and Paul Hassenger for all their hard work getting it done before our shoot.

Congratulations to our 6 Clean shooters this month, Cayuse Jack, Crazy Mingo, Snareman, Sauk Valley Stubby, 3 Gun Cole and Johnny Rebel. Our Clean Match Coasters are made by Ka Adik Krista.

I would like to thank all that helped out with posse duties we have a great bunch of Cowboy and Cowgirls that are always willing to help out when needed.

The Valley wished a big Happy Birthday to Ka Adik Krista.

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 July 17, 2022. 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 574-349-3764









Straight Shots from Saginaw

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

June 18, 2022... weather was perfect for Cowboy Action Shooting.

We had 28 shooters join us for the day, and it was great to have Deuce Stevens shoot with us again... he says it's been 3 years since he was last here.

We shot 5 fast and furious stages which were shot clean by 12 shooters.

Avalanche Andy, Bad River Marty, Cactus Lawman, Crazy Mingo, Crazy Nate, Deuce Stevens, Doc Noper, Lainey Mae, Laredo Van, Old Doc Potter, Riverview Rattler, and West Virginia Slim.

Great shooting guys!

Also joining us after a lone absence were Split Aces and Crazy Nate... Great to see you guys too!

When the dust cleared...Deuce Stevens was top shooter...followed closely by Riverview, Avalanche Andy, and Bad River Marty.

Next month...July...is the halfway point in our shooting season here at the Creek. The weather is getting hotter and drier...remember to keep hydrated...we'll have cold water bottles and a great lunch as always. Come out and shoot with us in July...and remember to make plans to join us in August for our Camping extravaganza. We'll be on the Range Wednesday thru Sunday...our Old School Shoot is on Friday afternoon and Saturday we'll have another great cowboy shoot followed by a pig roast.

It'll help with our planning if you can give us a call or text ... 989-400-1057, to let us know that you are coming.





Johnson Creek Regulators - Plymouth

Gold was discovered in the Black Hills of South Dakota in 1875. An invasion of gold seekers and the U.S. Army led many Sioux and Cheyenne warriors to join Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse in Montana. 10,000 native Americans gathered in a camp along the Little Bighorn River. On June 25, 1876 a force of 600 U.S. Soldiers entered the Little Bighorn Valley. Custer and 200 of these men were attacked by a force believed to number 3000 warriors was attacked. Within the hour all 200 would be dead.

On June 25, 2022 twenty-eight brave Cowboys and Cowgirls braved sweltering heat and humidity in the Johnson Creek Valley. The numbers included new Shooter Winchester Wipp (And yes, he was shooting a Winchester, I checked). When the smoke cleared, all twenty-eight were left standing, though weary from their ordeal.

We started our day with a side match, with the winner receiving a free match. Not Dead Ed was the winner, as the only shooter hitting the target bell with all five shots. New shooter Winchester Wipp was the winner of the 50-50 drawing. He graciously donated that money back to the club.

JC Wade was the overall match winner with an adjusted time of 106.87, beating his Dad Sinola Kid by three seconds. Hey Sugar was third overall, and the top Lady shooter with a time of 122.16. JBird Regulator was the top Buckaroo, finishing 9th overall. Four shooters shot the match without a miss or penalty. The clean shooters were Hey Sugar, Soaring Red Hawk, Honest Abe and Rogues Pierre.

The Johnson Creek Regulator's meet the second Wednesday of every month with practice starting at 4:30 pm on the 50-yard range followed by our club meeting at 6:30 pm in the clubhouse.

Our next match is July 23. We will be hosting our annual Limited Mobility Match. This match is ideal for shooters who don't move very well. It's also a great opportunity for new shooters to try our sport. All stages can be shot either standing or sitting at the shooter's choice. 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 on July 23. If you like to try this great sport, give Mike Zsenyuk or Terry Glogowski a call and we can help to get you set up with equipment.

"There are far more Statutes of soldiers out there than there are of civilians." George Armstrong Custer









Brush Creek Wranglers-Hillman

Howdy from the Great North,

We're starting to get busy here making some new shotgun targets and plans for our Cowboy Rendezous Shoot on July 29, 30 and 31. We're going to be giving away a couple of guns and lots of nice door prizes again this year. Sarge will be doing a RO 1 or RO 2 class on Thursday July 28th. Make sure to look for the flier/pdf form on the Wolverine Ranger's website.

Take Care and be Safe,

Faygo Kid



(Reprint from May 2022)



The Shooter's Stance



Cowboy Cooking

This article, and the subject, will probably not be new to most of our Wolverine Ranger members, but for the few that may not watch YouTube cooking channels, you absolutely need to check Cowboy Kent Rollins' channel. Kent describes his channel as:

Love outdoor cooking? Want to learn more about Dutch oven cooking, cast iron or grilling? Then you've saddled up to the right place. I've been cooking outdoors over live fire for over 25 years as a chuck wagon and cowboy cook. You may have also seen me on Chopped Grill Masters, Chopped Redemption or Beat Bobby Flay. Stick around and be sure to subscribe for tips, tricks and recipes.

As someone that likes to smoke, grill, Barbecue, bake and was a past two-time winner of the Boy Scout Leader Dutch Oven Iron Chef competition during my son's summer camp, I really appreciate his channel. There's plenty of hearty meals on video, plus many desserts, and tips on maintaining your cast iron.

Recently he shared videos of <u>restoring his chuck wagon</u>, an 1876 Studebaker. Which he still uses when cooking for some ranches. How fun would it be to have that as a prop when shooting?

I've actually purchased one of his cookbooks to support his business, but most of the recipes you can find in past videos. I've made his <u>cowboy chile</u> for a crowd and received great compliments (I did smoke some brisket for the beef as a modification). His <u>Bread Pudding with Whiskey Sauce</u> did not last long around my house. I'm looking forward to trying his <u>Barbacoa Tacos</u> this summer.

For me, I'd like to bounce around the idea of how we could have a cowboy cooking inspired meal at a match or at Range War on Friday or Saturday night. If anyone has any ideas on how

to make it come together, let's chat.

The Lost Egg



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