



Wolverine Rangers Epitaph



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★ Captain's Corner ★

Howdy pard,

Our Annual Meeting/Free Shoot is scheduled for Sunday July 22nd at the Detroit Sportsman's Congress in Utica. Please join us for a day of shooting, lunch and our Annual Meeting. All Wolverine Rangers shoot for free and get a free lunch. Non-Wolverine Ranger members cannot attend the Annual Meeting but are welcome to compete and will have to pay the normal shooting fees charged by DSC.

Range War is coming up and I would ask that all of the Wolverine Rangers consider joining us at Range War this year over Labor Day weekend at the Blue Water Sportsman's Association in Kimball. We guarantee a good time. I hope to see you there.

I mentioned in my Captain's letter from last month that we would have a very important announcement regarding Range War that we could make after End of Trail. End of Trail for 2019 is now in the history books and I can officially let everyone know the Wild Bunch honored the Wolverine Rangers and Range War with the Woolly Award for the best SASS State Championship in Cowboy Action Shooting!!! Thanks first of all, to Deuce Stevens for being the best match director in SASS. Thanks also to all the volunteers and the officers and members of the Wolverine Rangers who are responsible for making Range War work. Range War is truly an event which takes many people to make happen.

I am also pleased to make another announcement. Deuce Stevens was inducted into the SASS Hall of Fame during the Induction Ceremony at EOT in June!! Congratulations to Deuce!! This honor is definitely well deserved.

I would also like to congratulate all of our Wolverine Ranger category winners from EOT: Straight Arrow Hombre – 1st Place Frontier Cartridge Duelist; Chili Pepper Pete – 1st Place Frontiersman; Doc Noper – 1st Place Silver Senior; and Doc Roy L Pain – 1st Place Silver Senior Duelist. Congratulations on your mighty fine shooting!

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)

The traditional Father's Day Cowboy Action match at DSC was won by Mother Nature. It rained prior to the match start, creating soggy and slippery conditions. With safety in mind, the match was cancelled.

Our next Cowboy Action match at DSC is Sunday, July 21st. This is the annual Wolverine Rangers Membership shoot at DSC. All Wolverine Rangers will shoot for free. Remember there is an annual membership meeting at the conclusion of the match. Traditionally a paid entry fee to shoot Range War is given away at this meeting.

Plan ahead and mark your calendar, our next Wild Bunch match is on Saturday, September 7th. Coyote Claxton, DSC Wild Bunch guru sets up a true Wild Bunch match NOT a Cowboy Action match with a 1911. Every one needs to come out and give this a try. If you don't have all the right guns; no problem, just bring any semi-auto that shoots lead bullets and your cowboy rifle and shotgun. Give it a try!

See you on the range.
J.J. Longley

The Eagleville Cowboys - Central Lake

The Eagleville Cowboys of Central Lake Michigan held their June shoot on the 22nd under sunny skies and warm weather. And the nice weather seemed to turn out more cowboys and cowgirls. We had one more new shooter, and a couple of spectators. And those coming out on top of their categories were;

Sil.Sr. - Faygo Kid, [L.Sil.Sr.](#) - T.N. Tina, Sr.
- Bulldog Jim, G.F. - Marlin Matt, 49er -
Smoking Joe Suggs, E.S. - Mohawk
Scout, Sr.Dlst - Petoskey Pete, Ct.Brn - Black
Silver Ric, Wrglr - Rowdy Rusk, Gr.Ptron -

One Son of a Gun, L.Dlst - MaMa Va-
quera, L. Wglr - Wrangler Rose (new
shooter), and the one clean shooter was Bar
Gun Hunter.

Until next time CU down the trail,

One Son of a Gun

Hidden Valley Cowboys - Sturgis

June 16, 2019 SHOOT

We had some sprinkles this morning but overall a pretty dry day. We had 12 shooters, made the shoot go fast. And we all had fun!!

Like to thank everyone who helped me set up and take down the shoot today and last Sunday: Tommy Two Fingers, Triple Threat and Ya Big Tree.

We had 2 Clean shooters today Sauk Valley Stubby and Ya Big Tree. Congratulations!!!

Thank you also to Ka Adik Krista and Tommy Two Fingers for bringing and serving lunch today. They brought Pulled pork sandwiches, Krista's famous baked beans, Cole slaw, and fresh fruit!! AWESOME!!!

Our next shoot will be July 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.

Stubby, Mike & Ms. Blazin



A REQUEST FROM THE SENIOR WEB LADY

It's approaching 18 years in September that the Wolverine Rangers website went live on the Internet. I certainly hope that it has kept our membership informed and current on the happenings of the Wolverine Rangers. With that being said, I am tendering my resignation and am in search of a replacement to begin at my/your earliest convenience.

I will supply the new webmaster with the Adobe Dreamweaver CS5 software download instructions, passwords and all of the current data files which will be located on your PC. I have two manuals that the Wolverine Rangers own which I will pass on to you. Or, you are free to create the website in any software that you choose.

You can contact me at seniorweblady@wolverinerangers.org with questions. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Laporte Lil

Straight Shots from Saginaw

We can only hope that by the time you folks read this cipherin', the sky has finally wrung out its sponge and summer sunshine is upon us.

Aside from the weather trying to mess with us, our cowboy practices have been well-attended and our June match shoot had us entertaining 39 shooters. We had 19 shooting it clean and wearin' some mighty big grins as they stepped up to get their awards. We thank each of you for coming to shoot with us!!

Our next main match is Saturday, July 13th. We'll be having our shotgun stage so pack some extra shotgun shells. We're all lookin' for a fun time and hope you'll join us.

Until next time, remember to live life.....give it your best shot!!

Bad River Marty and Katie Callahan

What's The Call?

Recently there was a lot of discussion on the Facebook CAS page about this particular scenario.

It goes like this:

Shooter shoots rifle and pistols...moves to open, staged 97 Winchester...drops in a shell on the carrier then picks up shot gun...at no time did their hand touch shotgun until the shell is on carrier.

The shooter picks up shot gun and starts firing at targets. The Timing Officer calls a Stage Disqualification.....Is the Timing Officer Correct in his/her call?

There was a lot of discussion regarding this particular set of circumstances ranging from agreement that it should be a SDQ, or MSV, all the way to a MDQ and a NO Call.

This writer has seen many instances of the exact same thing happening at a match and as a '97 shooter, I have done the same thing. So, am I in the wrong and deserve a SDQ or worse for doing that?

Here is the answer according to Pale Wolf Brunell (who seems to be the Rules Guru), along with the pertinent rule from the Shooter's Handbook:

A round left on the carrier is a Minor Safety, not an SDQ. SHB Vers 23.2 pg 17. However, ***the shooter has until the next gun is fired to correct the situation*** (also pg 17). Since this shotgun is the same gun with the round on the carrier, it's a No Call. It's time for the Timing Officer to take an RO refresher.

Johnson Creek Regulators-Plymouth

June 22nd, an important day in history. On this day in 1847 the first Ring Donut was created by Hanson Gregory. In 1865 the CSS Shenandoah fired the last shot of the Civil War. In 1874 the game of Lawn Tennis was introduced, and in 2019 Wolverine Regulator bested 25 other competitors to win the Match at Johnson Creek.

Although Wolverine Regulator was clearly the top shot of the day, several other Cowboys reached significant milestones. Snuffy Dave Edwards was second overall, first in Cattle Baron and had a clean match. Hampered by a bum foot, Sinola Kid still managed a solid third place overall finish. Sarge finished in a personal best time, 4th overall and first top five finish. Old Doc Potter finished first in Silver Senior with a clean match. DeadEye Deska, living up to his alias scored his third consecutive clean match.

Our side match consisted of the Wild Bill Hickok shot. Five long range shots with the handgun either unsupported or using only the forearm of the weak hand to support pistol. Winner of a free match was Rodent. Congratulations Rodent.

It was great seeing some folks we haven't seen in a while including Rodent and Old Doc Potter and Spit Shot. We welcomed new shooters Tobasco Tucker and Calamity Kate.

A special shout out to Carson City Slick who put together a great match based on historical events from tales of the old west.

Our next match is going to be July 27. This is going to be a very special match for us and we are hoping for a great turnout. We recognize that many shooters over the years wandered away from the sport because of the physical nature of some of the stages. We hope to encourage you to try our July match. There will be no movement within each stage. All shooting will be from a stationary position. Sitting will be an option at every stage. A couple of the stages will require the shooter to fire from a seated position. And of course, our new range layout significantly minimizes walking up and down the range.

In addition, we will run a side match requiring use of either a derringer or a pocket pistol (modern pocket revolver fired single action is acceptable). One stage will include a bonus target that must be engaged with either a derringer or pocket pistol. Don't have a derringer or pocket? No worries. **We will have guns you can use.** If you are borrowing a gun, the side match would be a great opportunity to find out the point of impact. Remember, winner of the side match wins a free match at Johnson Creek.

Till we meet again, I'll leave you with the immortal words of Davy Crockett: "Fame is like a shaved pig with a greased tail, and it is only after it has slipped through the hands of some thousands, that some fellow, by mere chance, holds on to it!"



Tobasco Tucker at his first match



Wolverine Regulator bringing it home for his first place finish on June 22 at Plymouth.



Cowboy Action Shooting—its not just for the men.

Editor's Corner

Announcement from the Senior Web Lady

It is with a great deal of sadness on my part that the Senior Web Lady—Laporte Lil—is tendering her resignation as web master of the Rangers' website.

I think we can all agree that she has done a superb job in making the Wolverine Rangers' website exemplary among other SASS websites.

She has offered numerous aids to whoever steps up to take her place as the new web master. Whoever steps in to take her place will have some very large shoes to fill. I'm sure that all the Wolverine Rangers will do their best to keep the new webmaster informed of happenings in their area.

Again, thank you Laporte Lil for all you have done.

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- Any Wolverine Ranger or Range War Concerns

RANGE WAR MATCH DIRECTOR

- Volunteer to help with Range War
- Vendor Registration and Information

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- Club Information and Pictures for Wall Calendar
- New Shooting Schedule for each year



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