



Michigan State Muzzle Loading Association Newsletter

July/August 2024

The family of **Lyle D. McGregor** wish to say thank you for all your support during these difficult times.

Lyle was a special part of our family who will live on forever in our hearts.

He was blessed with so many great friends .

We want to express our heart felt gratitude and say thank you to each one of you for making this difficult time a little easier. He will have a special place in our hearts, and through our cherished memories he will live on forever.

Dianne

As the possibilities to enjoy our sport of muzzle loading dwindle as the number of clubs holding shoots declines, it is well to preserve what is available. One of those possibilities is the River Valley Muzzleloaders at the Edwardsburg Conservation Club on Pine Lake road. It is a Charter Club serving the sport of muzzle loading for decades. The shoots are held on the fourth Sunday , beginning at 10:00 am unless there is a conflict with Thanksgiving or Christmas. In January there is a two day shoot, aptly called the "half-nuts" shoot, but with a building on the range with a

wood stove, it is a get away from the doldrums of winter. The range

is covered so the challenges of weather can be coped with. It is an aggregate, the total of the

scores of five targets. The targets are a mixture of regulation bulls-eye targets & animal targets to hone hunting skills. The cost for the shoot is \$15.00. Everyone wins something, Dick Chubb spends a lot of time gathering prizes, which range from muzzle loading items to "goodies". Dick often brings some of his latest muzzle loading acquisitions. He has maintained a booth at Friendship for years & attends frequent gun shows. To handle a Manton English flintlock double barrel shotgun is a true pleasure & an opportunity to appreciate the highest level of gun making. Lunch is available for a donation & with luck Beth Chubb may have

baked some delicious fare to be enjoyed.

The club has a wealth of knowledge with Darrel Steinhagen, Dick Truex & Dick Chubb. It's a good place for beginnings to acquire knowledge & ask questions & a good place for old timers to check their competitive skills. It's a friendly environment, although occasional heckling can occur, It's a good place to enjoy our sport & the people who participate. It's up to us to preserve what we have or lose it.

Ed Dennis

LANSING MUZZLELOADING GUN CLUB

From The Desk Of The



**I TO R (Scott Clark, Mike Schultz, Ed Clark, Jim Brotherton, Lavonne Cummins, Steve Curtis, BJ Maze)
Missing from photo is Diana and Mike Young**

This the 2nd generation that keeps the club going day in day out with help from a few volunteers. Here are some younger pics of us



Jim Brotherton



Scott Clark

clubs are doing to get participation up at shoots. I would like to hear from other clubs so please feel free to email me with any info at mikeschultz1013@gmail.com

Mike Schultz



Mike Schultz



Steve Curtis and BJ Maze

We all grew up there together. Our parents are or were club members as we were kids going up at the club and we had great memories of those times. Our parents taught us that hard work pays off. But with that said, times have changed drastically from the old days. The club would like to know how other clubs have dealt with this situation. We are all here to promote blackpowder shooting as well as shooting sports.

With 85 + members this is the group to count on getting things done. Our average age of a member at the club is past 60 years old. We do have a hand full of younger members that are in the age range of 30-40 years old. The club would like to know how other clubs are getting the younger crowd involved and what



Dennis Priddy our new inductee into the Keeler Society. *Dennis is very active at GVCNB, the nationals and always taking time out from his shooting. There will be an article out in the near future that will tell the whole story.*



Members of the Keeler Society from left to right: Eric Hoskinson, Ruth Palmer, Dave Maddox, Jim Brotherton, Ira Thumma, Ron Fernwalt and Wayne Lamson

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 1 - 3 FRONTIER SHOOT 54TH**
GRAND VALLEY CAP n BALLERS™
- AUGUST 10 MEMORIAL SHOOT – LINE MATCHES**
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- AUGUST 10 - 11 RONDEVUE**
COLUMBIAVILLE SPORTSMAN CLUB
- AUGUST 11 WOODS WALK**
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
- AUGUST 15 - 18 MSMLA STATE SHOTGUN**
CHAMPIONSHIPS GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
- AUGUST 16 - 18/ MICHIGAN RIFLE/PISTOL**
TERRITORIAL BEAVERTON
- AUGUST 17 CENTER FIRE PISTOL WOODS WALK**
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
- AUGUST 23 25 BENZIE RENDEVOUS**
BENZIE SPORTSMAN CLUB
- AUGUST 24 - 25 FUN TYME AT THE RANGE” ***

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- AUG 31 – SEP 1 FALL SHOOT**
LANSING MUZZLE LOADING GUN CLUB
- SEPTEMBER 14 ARCHERY BLANKET SHOOT**
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
- SEP EMBER 8 WOODS WALK**
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
- SEPTEMBER 14 – 22 N. M. L. R. A. NATIONAL MATCHES**
FRIENDSHIP, INDIANA
- SEPTEMBER 21 SPORTING CLAYS (modern Shotgun)**
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
- SEPTEMBER 20, 21, 22 HOWARD CITY**
HOWARD CITY CONSERVATION CLUB
- SEPTEMBER 20 – 22 FALL RENDEVOUS**
OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTSMAN CLUB
- SEPTEMBER 21 .22 RIMFIRE RIFLE WOODS WALK**
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
- SEPTEMBER 8 TO NOVEMBER 3 FALL AGG**
BENZIE SPORTSMAN CLUB
- OCTOBER 5 & 6 MEAT SHOOT**
GRAND VALLEY CAP n BALLERS™
- OCTOBER 12 SPORTING CLAYS (modern Shotgun)**
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
- OCTOBER 13 MEMORIAL SHOOT**
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
- OCTOBER 26 LEVER ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE**
WOODS WALK DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
- OCTOBER 19 TURKEY SHOOT**
BENZIE SPORTSMAN CLUB
- OCTOBER 19 - 20 TURKEY SHOOT**
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Grand Valley Cap N Ballers™ Jag Shop is getting a shipment of Goex in and will be available the 1st of August. They also have percussion caps, Swiss and Schuetzen powder.

FIELD REP REPORT

A new member to the NMLRA is Donald Howard from Bellville, Michigan signed up as a member at the Michigan State Muzzle Loading Rifle/Pistol championship held at GVCNB. Welcome Don.

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MICHIGAN STATE MUZZLELOADING ASSOCIATION

Saturday night membership meeting was held on the grounds of the Grand Valley Cap n Ballers™ auditorium. Officers were elected. President Jim Brotherton, Vice President Dave Maddox, Treasurer Alishia Hendricks, Secretary Diane McGregor, Board members Ron Fernwalt, Alan Pichan, Jennifer Buchanan. Other board members include Wayne Lamson, Joe Valentin, Eric Hoskinson, Adam Sass, Ira Thumma, Manon Lutzke, David McMurray

Wayne Lamson stepped up and made a comment that we need people to step up and

run for positions on the board. We also need people to step up and work with the vice president and scoring.

Adam Sass has accepted Primitive Chairman. Thank you for stepping up Adam, your editor.

We had a 14 percent increase of members this year that participated in the event along with 2 youth shooters.



Riley Neil from Luther, Mi. drawing for the winner of the raffle rifle while brother looks on. The winning number he drew was Rick Kuhn from Canton, Ohio

MATCH NAMING COMMITTEE

MATCH 9 - 50 YARD Cross Sticks
Randy MacInnes

Match 23 - 50 Yard Rest Women
Martyy Maddox



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MATCH 1	25 BIRD ST. CHAMPIONSHIP.....	
MATCH 2	20 BIRD JR. ST. CHAMPIONSHIPS.....	
MATCH 3	20 BIRD LADY ST. CHAMPIONSHIP.....	BETTY CARR
MATCH 4	PERCUSSION CHAMPIONSHIP.....	
MATCH 5	FLINT ST. CHAMPIONSHIP.....	ADAM SASS
MATCH 6	15 BIRD ST. NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP.....	
MATCH 7	JUNIOR NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP.....	DICK & BETH CHUBB ANTIQUE GUNS
MATCH 8	ORIGINALS.....	DICK & BETH CHUBB ANTIQUE GUNS
MATCH 9	HUNTERS MATCH.....	**MIKE BEATY
MATCH 10	FLINT ONLY.....	IN MEMORY OF MORIS HOLLOWAY
MATCH 11	DOUBLES - 20 BIRDS.....	
MATCH 12	LADIES ONLY.....	BETTY CARR
MATCH 13	CLYDE CARR MEMORIAL MATCH.....	BETTY CARR
MATCH 14	NOVICE ONLY.....	
MATCH 15	JUNIORS ONLY (RE-ENTRY).....	IN MEMORY OF STEVE HREN
MATCH 16	SUB JUNIOR 11 & UNDER.....	
MATCH 17	DOUBLES.....	**DON KOOPMAN
MATCH 18**	TRADITIONAL STYLE SHOTGUN.....	DON KOOPMAN
MATCH 19**	CRAWFORD NUTTALL TRADE GUN MATCH---	GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
MATCH 20	OLD TIMERS 60 & OVER.....	MIKE BEATY
MATCH 21	LADYS 20 YARD.....	MYRNA HOLLOWAY
MATCH 23	JUNIOR.....	LYLE & DIANE MCGREGOR
MATCH 24	LADIES.....	**WAYNE & ARDITH KNOP
MATCH 25	FLINT ONLY.....	ADAM SASS
MATCH 26	SHOOT TILL YOU MISS.....	RON & BONNIE FERNWALT
MATCH 27	PERCUSSION OR FLINT.....	**...JOHN & JUDY TURNER
MATCH 29	16 YARD NOVICE.....	
MATCH 30	DEAN & PAT KING CO-ED PROTECTION.....	LARRY & JEANIE TRANTHAM
MATCH 32	TRANTHAM PROTECTION-----	MIKE BEATY &
MATCH 33	HANDICAP.....	LOUISE MERCER
MATCH 35	PERCUSSION OR FLINT.....	JEANIE & KALI TRANTHYAM
MATCH 36	GVCNB SKEET SINGLES.....	MIKE BEATY
MATCH 37	GVCNB SKEET DOUBLES.....	
MATCH 38	GVCNB REGULATION ROUND OF SKEET.....	**JOHN & JUDY TURNER

FLINT/PERCUSSION AGGREGATE (of Matches 3 & 4)-----GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

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FRONTIER SHOOT 2024

AUGUST 1, 2, 3, 4 2024

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SHOTGUN CHAMPIONSHIPS

AUGUST 15, 16, 17, 18, 2024

THURSDAY 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

FRIDAY 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

SATURDAY 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

SUNDAY 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

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This year's June 29th & 30th "Shoot Time at Old Fort Rendezvous" was a huge success thanks to all the volunteers that made it happen. The campground was filled with folks looking forward to the competitive matches and other fun activities for the whole family. Some left with trophies and awards or just great memories. We were happy to see many new shooters.

We blame bad scheduling for Ira Thumma's bench gun demonstration. It definitely wasn't for lack of interest. Our 100 & 200 yard ranges are a long walk from the main range where all Saturday's activities were taking place. We hope Ira brings his special bench and big guns back next year!

We especially want to thank the Palmer family for all they did to provide meals, staff registration & the Trading Post with its consignment sale, organize special activities and their many contributions. They have made our traditional black powder spirit come alive again!

Sandy Saxman

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