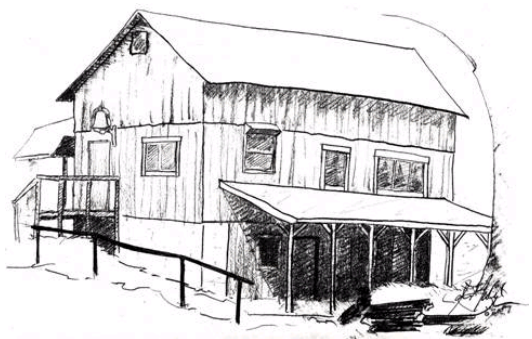




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August 2026

Ladies Fun Tyme at the Range
Just a reminder ladies, this shoot is
happening August 22, 9-6. \$20,
lunch & dinner included! We have
a couple spaces open just for YOU!!

Text me if you want to join—

Jackie 616-284-7146

See flyer below

A PATRIOT SPEAKS

If we lose freedom here, there is no
place to escape to, AMERICA is the
last stand on earth.

Ronald Reagan

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Dennis Priddy 2024

Bonnie Fernwalt 2024

Tom Verberg 2024

Leanne Pierce 2024

Neal Armstrong 2025

Dave Fox 2025

Drew Harrington 2025

50/50 WINNER

Dick Miller

ATTENDANCE WINNER

Neal Armstrong & Roger Peirce

CONGRATULATIONS

Jeff's Journal

It's Wednesday afternoon already, just four days ago we
wrapped up another Frontier Shoot event. I have com-
mented before just how fast the month of August seems to
just fly by. This year we can include the month of July in



that statement too. First, there was the
holiday weekend to start the month,
then four days later the Michigan State
rifle and pistol event takes place here
over the next five days. Then two weeks
later the 25th we hosted what we called
the July 25th event which was our way
of celebrating the USA's 250th birthday.
We did that by dressing in our Re-

enacting clothing, inviting the general public to come to
the range and shoot a flintlock rifle and of course firing
our full-size replica naval cannon throughout the day. All
in all, it was really lots of fun to celebrate together and we
were able to inform a few pilgrims too. Our own Club
Shoot and meetings took place one week later. I didn't get
to shoot that weekend because of a family breakfast that
lasted until noon, I will never complain about that because
those times with grandkids are way to special to miss.

The week following our own shoot is always super busy,
we had to make sure we had everything in place for Fron-
tier Shoot. The whole week and the Shoot itself are very
hectic and sometimes even overwhelming but eventually it
all comes together just in time for our guest shooters to ar-
rive. Again, this year our attendance was about the same,
now the real plus was having new shooters and even kids
to shoot in our youth matches. So, was the 2026 shoot a
success?

Continue...

I will give it five big stars and speaking of stars every Grand Valley member who spent time helping and working before, during and after the Shoot you get those five stars too. It is amazing what we can do working together, THANK YOU EVERYONE!!! Please don't rest on your laurels, we're not done yet even yet this month, remember I said, "busy month". Thursday starts the State shotgun championships right here at our club then following weekend it's the highly anticipated Fun Tyme at the Range our lady's only special event. I hope you can join us, it will be interesting and of course it will be fun!

Then we have two weeks off. YAY! That's all for now. Jeff

The Brummell Family.
Continuing the tradition-4 generations



On the Firing Line

Line Matches-Not all scores given

Men's 25yd Rifle-Novelty

1. Ed Henson
2. Larry Horrigan
3. Karl Wilkins

Men's 25yd Rifle Two Bull

1. Ed Henson
2. Karl Wilkins
3. Tom Verberg

Men's 25yd 6 Bull

1. Ed Henson
2. Larry Horrigan
3. Carl Wilkins

Men's 50yd

1. Dennis Priddy
2. Ed Henson
3. Javan Mallery

25yd Trade Gun Buffalo

1. Larry Horrigan
2. Javan Mallery
3. Ed Henson

50yd Trade Gun

1. Larry Horrigan
2. Rew Harrington
3. Bill Barnum

25yd Pistol-

1. Drew Harrington
2. Dennis Priddy
3. Leanne Pierce

50yd Pistol

1. Drew Harrington
2. Jovan Mallery
3. Leanne Pierce

Women's 25yd Novelty

1. Leanne Pierce
2. Linda Verburg
- 3.

Women's 25yd Rifle One Bull

1. Leanne Pierce
2. Linda Verburg

Women's 50yd

1. Leanne Pierce
2. Linda Verburg
- 3.

Woods Walk-Percussion

- 1.

Woods Walk- Trade Gun

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|--------------|-----|
| 1. Ed Henson | 140 |
| 2. Karl Wil | 130 |
| 3. | |

Woods Walk Flint Lock

- 1.
- 2.



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MUZZLE LOADING GUN CLUB

PRESENTS LADIES FUN TYME AT THE RANGE

A Ladies Only Weekend

AUGUST 22, 2026



Curious about shooting a muzzle loading rifle? Join our ladies only weekend at Grand Valley Cap n Ballers! The event starts Saturday at 9:00 AM with a mandatory safety and marksmanship class for all participants. Rifles and supplies are available if you don't have your own. Bring friends or family (ages 17+ welcome) for a fun experience—line matches, silhouette games, and more. Registration is \$20 and includes lunch, dinner, water, and soda. Camping is available for \$10, with an additional \$10 for electricity and firewood is provided. Awards will be presented after dinner.

SCHEDULE

Registration.	\$20
Registration opens at	9:00am
Mandatory Safety and	
Marksmanship Class	9:30am
Morning Matches	10:00 am
Afternoon Matches	1:00pm

MORNING TARGETS-10:00am

- 1- Single bull at 25yds
 - 2-High/Low at 25yds
 - 3- Team Targets
 - 4-Pigeons Break (3)- 2 shots on target
- All shooters will shoot these matches at the same time.
- LUNCH AT Approximatley 12:00 at the clubhouse.**

AFTERNOON MATCHES 1:00PM

- 5-Janet Tessman Memorial
- 6-Long hunter range with a shoot-off

Games to follow

- 1-Rolling Pin Toss
- 2-Knife and Hawk Throwing
- 3-Bean Bag Toss (elimination game)

DINNER Approximately 5:00-5:30PM

Awards after dinner- All matches pay 3 places and the Long Hunter Range paying out 5 places.

ALL SCHEDULES AND MATCHES ARE SUBJECT TO
CHANGE

A little recap of the past few weeks



GVCNB DAV FUND RAISER

We had a very good turnout for the DAV Fund Raiser. Our board has agreed to have the event again next year. The event will be the third weekend in July and advertising will be out by the first of January.

The club wants to thank you all for participating in the event.

We were able to send \$870.00 to the Michigan DAV from the sporting clay's and the raffle that we had.

We had a total of 43 participants that entered the DAV Sporting Clay's event.

The club wants to thank them for the participation and support of the DAV.

Below are the team scores and the hi individual scores and the other participants and scores.

The TEAM SOUTH KENT

SPORTSMAN CLUB TOO took first place consisting of Steve Moore, Ryan Schricker Kevin Braat, Bert Kelley and Ian Thibault with a team score of **211**.

Next in line was **TEAM SOUTH KENT SPORTSMAN CLUB** with Steve Moore, Wayne Moore, Kevin Braat, Bert Kelley and Ian Thibault with a score of **210**.

The **SOUTH KENT SPORTSMAN CLUB REDUX TEAM** with Steve Moore, Wayne Moore, Bnert Kelley, Kevin Braat, and Dave Kocharoff with a total score of **194**

TEAM GOLF consisted of Ray Harrison, Mike Deugaw, Mike Tyler, Ryan Schricker

and Lindsi Schricker with a team score of **175**

Next in line was the **F and H TEAM** consisting of Dave and Chelsea Fox, Drew Harrington. Adrian Harrington and Beata Harrington with a score of **141**.

Hi man shooter was Steve Moore with a **49** out of 50.

Hi Woman Shooter was Lacey Porter with a **41** and

Hi Youth Shooter went to Adrian Harrington with a **19**.

INDIVIDUAL DAV SCORES

Dave Fox	40	Chelsea Fox	31
Drew Harrington			33
Adrian Harrington			19
Beata Ladysz			18

Steve Moore	49, 41, 46, 44, 44
Wayne Moore	38,39
Kevin Braat	42, 42, 42, 47
Bert Kelly	35, 41, 38, 36
Ian Thibault	46,45

Ryan Schricker	41, 43
Brian Wheat	44
Ben Kerkstra	36
Lacey Porter	41, 37
Ryan Schricker	42
Dave Kocharoff	29
Ray Harrison	42

Mike Deugaw	29
Mike Tyler	36, 41
Lindsi Schricker	27, 34
Jeff Weaver	29, 30
David Kocharoff	34

Ryan Schricker 41, 43
Brian Wheat 44
Ben Kerkstra 36
Lacey Porter 41, 37
Ryan Schricker 42
Dave Kocharoff 29
Ray Harrison 42



All the competitors said that they were looking forward to next year to support the Michigan DAV.



Competitors signing up for the DAV Sporting Clays Fund Raiser July 18, 2026 at Grand Valley Cap N Ballers™

The raffle went over very well to support the Michigan DAV. Raffle tickets were sold by John Snyder, member of GVCNB



Competitors took time out to sit down and enjoy cookies and refreshment supplied by the gals that do a fantastic job of helping us guys run the event.

Look for us on the web at www.gvcnb.org

One of the team members getting ready to break that clay target and he did a very good job when completing the course.



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2026 FRONTIER SHOOT SPONSORS 2026

RIFLE

MATCH 1	25 YARD OH AMS-----	CHRIS LONGCORE
MATCH 2	50 YARD OH AMS-----	KARL & MOLLIE WILKINS
MATCH 3	100 YARD OH AMS-----	KARL & MOLLIE WILKINS
MATCH 4	25 YARD OH AMS-----	FLINTLOCKS LLC ---317-933-3441
MATCH 5	50 YARD OH AMS-----	
MATCH 6	100 YARD OH OS-----	DANLEPO
MATCH 7 *	25 YARD OH FLINT OS-----	GEORGE ROBERS
MATCH 9*	50 YARD OH FLINT OS-----	GEORGE ROBERTS
MATCH 10	25 YARD OH WOMEN-----	
MATCH 11	50 YARD OH WOMEN-----	
MATCH 13	25 YARD OH NOVELTY-----	DAN LEPO
MATCH 14	50 YARD OH NOVELTY-----	
MATCH 17	25 YARD OH TRADE GUN-----	GEORGE ROBERTS-
MATCH 18	50 YARD OH TRADE GUN-----	GEORGE ROBERTS
MATCH 19	25 YARD OH NOVICE-----	BRAD WOOKWORTH
MATCH 20	50 YARD OH NOVICE-----	
MATCH 23	25 YARD YOUTH X STIX AMS-----	
MATCH 24	50 YARD YOUTH X STIX AMS-----	
MATCH 25	25 YARD OH JUNIOR AMS-----	ANBTHONLY BRADLEY---ajb-853@gmail.com
MATCH 26	50 YARD OH JUNIOR AMS-----	
MATCH 27	25 YARD PISTOL/REVOLVER-----	CAP ^ BALL FANATIC CHANNEL
MATCH 28	25 YARD REVOLVER-----	CAP ^ BALL FANATIC CHANNEL
MATCH 29	50 YARD PISTOL/REVOLVER-----	CAP ^ BALL FANATIC CHANNEL
MATCH 30	50 YARD REVOLVER-----	CAP ^ BALL FANATIC CHANNEL
MATCH 31	25 YARD FLINT PISTOL-----	CAP ^ BALL FANATIC CHANNEL
MATCH 32	50 YARD FLINT PISTOL-----	CAP ^ BALL FANATIC CHANNEL
MATCH 33	25 YARD CO-ED-----	MARY POTEE
MATCH 35	50 YARD X STIX AMS-----	J * J TRADES AND STUFF
MATCH 36	100 YARD X STIX AMS-----	J * J TRADES AND STUFF
MATCH 38	100 YARD X STIX OS-----	J * J TRADES AND STUFF
MATCH 38	100 YARD X STIX OS-----	J * J TRADES AND STUFF
MATCH 41	50 YARD BENCH AMS-----	
MATCH 42	100 YARD BENCH AMS-----	
MATCH 43	50 YARD BENCH OS-----	
MATCH 44	100 YARD BENCH OS-----	
MATCH 47	OLD TIMERS 25 YARD AMS-----	
FRIDAY PRIMITIVE*	PERCUSSION	FLINT
TRADE GUN-----	WOMEN'S---	JUNIORS---
SATURDAY PRIMITIVE:	MATCH 1	MATCH 2
MATCH 3	MATCH 4	MATCH 5
MATCH 6	MATCH 7	MATCH 8
MATCH 9	MATCH 10	

SHOTGUN

MATCH 62	GVCNB MENS CHAMPIONSHIP-----DAN LEPO
MATCH 63	GVCNB LADY'S CHAMPIONSHIP -----PERFECT PIZZA -- 269-793-7000
MATCH 64	GVCNB JR CHAMPIONSHIP-----IN MEMORY OF TODD FERNWALT
MATCH 70	TRADITIONAL STYLE-----MONTERAY PINES GENERAL STORE
MATCH 71	NOVICE 10 YARDS-----GUNS N GEAR—616-875-7000--BLENDON PINES GUN CLUB blendonpinesgunclub
MATCH 75	CO-ED PROTECTION-----DAN LEPO AND BONNIE & RON FERNWALT
MATCH 76	10 YARD TRAP-----CENTER SHOT GUN RANGE—centershotgunrange#range.com
MATCH 77	16 YARD TRAP-----BLACK GOLDT RANSPORT MILLING PAVING--616-896-1560
MATCH 78	20 YARD TRAP-----GUNS N GEAR—616-875-7000--BLENDON PINES GUN CLUB blendonpinesgunclub
AGGREGAT MATCH'S 76, 77, 78-----PERFECT PIZZA -- 269-793-7000	
MATCH 79	LADIES 10 YARD TRAP----BLACK GOLDT RANSPORT MILLING PAVING--616-896-1560
MATCH 80	LADIES 16 YARD TRAP-----
MATCH 81	LADIES 20 YARD TRAP-----PERFECT PIZZA -- 269-793-7000
AGGREGATE MATCHES 79, 80, 81-----BRAD WOOLWORTH	
MATCH 82	JUNIORS 10 YARD TRAP-----IN MEMORY OF TODD FERNWALT
MATCH 83	OLD TIMERS 16 YARD TRAP-----PERFECT PIZZA -- 269-793-7000
MATCH 88	TRANHAM PROTECTION-----DAN LEPO AND PERFECT PIZZA -- 269-793-7000
MATCH 89	FLINT 10 YARDS-----MYRNA HOLLOWAY
MATCH 90	FLINT 16 YARDS-----IN MEMORY OF MORRY HOLLOWAY
MATCH 91	SKEET SINGLES-----DORR STANDARD SERVICE—616-681-9136 dorrstandard.com
MATCH 92	SKEET DOUBLES-----CENTER SHOT GUN RANGE—centershotgunrange#range.com

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