



Michigan State Muzzle Loading Association Newsletter

MARCH/APRIL 2025

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*improvements or new matches for 2025?
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so why not start out the New Year with a
resolution to promote the black powder
shooting sports in your community?*

***Respectfully requested by the members of
The Spirit of Roy Keeler Society***

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 15 - 16	KALAMAZOO LIVING HISTORY SHOW
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APRIL 5	ART ZIMMERMAN MEMORIAL SHOOT
	GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS
APRIL 5	APRIL FOOL SHOOT
	BENZIE SPORTSMAN CLUB
APRIL 13	WOODS WALK
	DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS
APRIL 19	SPORTING CLAYS (MODERN)
	GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

APRIL 8 – August 26 SUMMER AG
BENZIE SPORTSMAN CLUB

MAY 2, 3, 4 SPRING SHOOT
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

MAY 2, 3, 4 WOODS WALK
SAUK TRAIL LONG RIFLES

MAY 3 22 CAL WOODS WALK
LANSING MUZZLE LOADING GUN CLUB

MAY 4 WOODS WALK
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRESS

MAY 17 TRADE GUN CHAMPIONSHIP
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

MAY 17 SERVICE RIFLE WOODS WALK
DETROIT SPORTSMAN CONGRES

MAY 17 SPORTING CLAYS (modern Shotgun)
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

MAY 24 ARCHERY KICKOFF
GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

MAY 22 - 26 GRAND TRAVERSE RENDEVOUS
BENZIE SPORTSMAN CLUB

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MANISTEE MUZZLE LOADING CLUB

The sound of gunfire has been silent on our ranges for the past few weeks. We don't snow plow the drive or ranges during winter months, and we haven't seen any snowshoe tracks. Manistee County has gotten

170" of snow so far this winter (as of March 1), and it isn't over yet. It'll be a while before snow melts and ground cleanup begins.

Things will start to get busy as spring blossoms. Don't forget our Shoot Time at Old Fort Rendezvous - June 28 & 29. It's a fun time for the whole family. There will be a Military Match the morning of June 27. A full program and introduction letter are available on our club website – manisteeemuzzleloaders.club.

Sandy Saxman

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

*I sent a memo out to all my recipients if they had any news and all of my recipients that have a Comcast e-mail came back. So I waited until Friday and resent it to all and they still came back. My server said it is not their problem and it is Comcast. I had that happen with our club president's e-mail and it took over a month before it was corrected. I had to use snail mail to send him information. Guess that is modern technology today.
Ron*

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TOP 10 MICHIGANDERS THAT PLACED IN THE TERRITORIAL

*There were 253 competitors that
participated in the 2024 Territorial
matches thru out the USA.*

Lady's Top Gun

Jennifer Buchanan - 6th

Men's Class

Adam Sass - 8th

Ladies Class

Jennifer Buchanan – 3rd

Lacey White Porter - 5th

One Gun

Adam Sass - 3rd

Pistol

Mike Reece - 5th

Revolver

Mike Reece - 5th

Flintlock

Adam Sass - 3rd

Smooth Bore

Adam Sass - 2nd

Jim Spittler - 5th

Tom Griffith - 7th

Lady's Offhand

Jennifer Buchanan - 3rd

Ladies Hunter

Jennifer Buchanan - 2nd

Ladies Rifle

Sharron Smith - 10th

Trap

Garrett Porter - 3rd

Ron Fernwalt - 4th

Jan White - 5th

Kevin Price - 6th

Flintlock Trap

Ed Henson - 1st

Flintlock Skeet

Ed Henson – 1st

Skeet

David McMurray - 1st

Ladies Trap

Lacey White Porter - 3rd

Ladies Skeet

Bonnie Fernwalt - 1st

Lacey White Porter - 2nd

*This year, 2025, we will be having a
youth shotgun Territorial. I don't
know what yardage or number of
targets. **BE SURE AND PASS THE
WORD TO GET THEM***

YOUNGANS OUT TO

PARTICIPATE. *I should know by
May what the youth program
involves.*

*The shotgun Territorial was well
attended compared to the last couple
of years.*

*I hope I got the rifle Territorial
correct as far as Michiganders
participating as I did not get a report
from them, other than they had a
good turn out.*

*Congratulations to all for the great
job well done.*

It takes time but they are working on other states to get involved for both Shotgun and Rifle, as you can see we did have other states that participated in shotgun Territorial.

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NMLRA

The NMLRA membership has gone up effective October 1, 2024. 1 year subscription is now \$75.00 per year with the magazine. The digital membership is only \$50.00. Is your club chartered with the NMLRA???? Have questions on becoming a member or the benefits of your club being chartered, give one of the Michigan Field Reps a call. Your Michigan Field Reps are Ron Fernwalt 616-836-5760, Michael Kowalski 616-826-3118, Dave Maddox 810-259-6867, David McMurray 269-370-0095, Anson and Judy Morgan 810-324-2577, Richard Niekamp 269-672-4194 and Ted Thelen 517-927-6218. Some folks say that the cost of membership has increased way too much. You can go to the digital for only \$50.00 per year and support the nationals and still get all the benefits.

If there is a particular article that you want to keep, I am quite sure you can copy and paste a particular article. Keep your powder dry and hope to see ya on the trap range.

Ron Fernwalt

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The 2025 MSMLA raffle rifle is a 20ga (62 cal) smoothbore built by Ed Henson and donated by Wayne Baughman in memory of Tim Baughman.

Possibles bag and powder donated by Ted Thelan

**Range rod donated by David Maddox
Flint wallet donated by Diane McGregor
Custom made turned bowl by Ron Fernwalt**

**Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.
Contact David Maddox if you would like to purchase tickets.**

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Ron Fernwalt - (616) 836-5760
Larry Horrigan - (269) 845-0460

MUCC

Bonnie and I attended the MUCC Convention and I sat in on some of the resolutions and learned what MUCC is all about. They do more for the outdoors men and women than what I realized. I would highly suggest that you join MUCC for only \$35 per year or 2 years for \$60. You get a quarterly magazine 4 times a year and you can also send kids to camp, education, conservation of our natural resources, looking out for things coming down the pike.

EDITORS COMMENT

I send out approximately 300 reminders for news articles, advertising etc. for your state newsletter every other month. I have only been getting a couple of clubs that participate in the free advertising. Evidently the turn out at clubs is exceptional.

Send a copy of your flyer (preferably not PDF) so I can copy and paste it to the newsletter. Send to rbfern@triton.net and when I receive it I will answer you back that I got it or send a copy to MSMLA, 16808 Peach Ridge, Kent City, Mi. 49330.

I need article NLT the 10th of May, July, September, November, January and March. You can even call me @ 616-836-5760

Send them early as I have 1 to 2 issues started early.

Ron

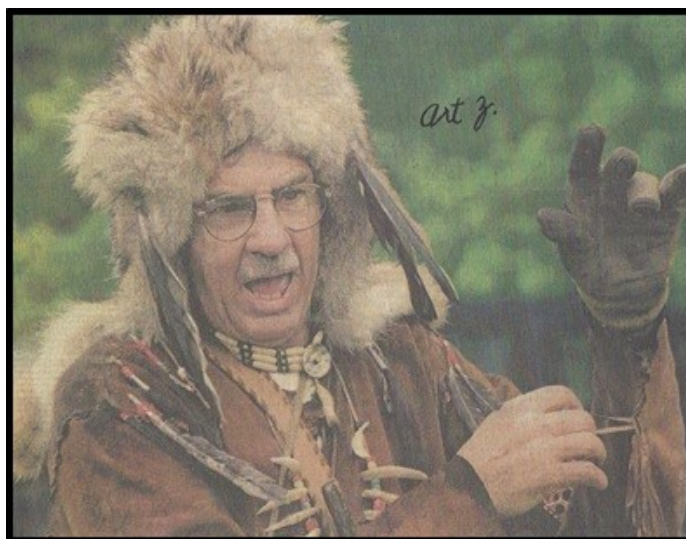
ART ZIMMERMAN MEMORIAL SHOOT

at

GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™

Saturday April 5, 2025

Rain, Shine or Snow



Registration begins at 9:00 am-----shooting begins at 10:00 am.

Cost is \$15 per Shooter, including a chili pot for lunch

Lunch Break from 12 to 1:00

There will be (3) shot squadded novelty targets at 25 yards.

All matches will pay 3 places

A raffle will be held again this year

Raffle donations appreciated - Tickets \$1.00 or 6/\$5.00

WE ARE LOCATED AT

3506 26th Street Street, Gate 1, Hopkins, Mi. 49328

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for more info: Jeff Terrell – 616-366-3404

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MICHIGAN TRADE GUN CHAMPIONSHIP

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SATURDAY – MAY 17, 2025

REGISTRATION \$20.00

Meal Included

Starting Time 10 am

20 Woods Walk Metal Targets

20 shots on the line + 3 shots at clay targets

Period dress is desired but not mandatory

*For more information:
Dennis Priddy - 517-852-4607
Larry Horrigan – 269-845-0460
Find us on Google Maps*

We have Schuetzen, Swiss and Goex Powder available on the grounds

MATCH SPONSORS

We are in need of match sponsors for the Shotgun and Rifle matches at the state championships this year. The cost is only \$25.00 per match or aggregate. We have very few clubs out of 30 in the state that sponsor a match and some are sponsoring more than one match.

If you, your club or a business would like to sponsor a match send checks to MSMLA, 16808 Peach Ridge, Kent City, Mi. 49330.

The match sponsors help defray the cost of the event so we can keep our prices low. For a business put your phone number and/or web site down as it will be on the web until at least September of 2026.

MSMLA SHOTGUN MATCH SPONSORS

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT

MATCH 1	25 BIRD ST. CHAMPIONSHIP.....	GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
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.....	MIKE BEATY
MATCH 7	JUNIOR NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP.....	DICK & BETH CHUBB ANTIQUE GUNS
MATCH 8	ORIGINALS.....	DICK & BETH CHUBB ANTIQUE GUNS
MATCH 9	HUNTERS MATCH.....	DON KOOPMAN
MATCH 10	FLINT ONLY.....	MIKE BEATY
MATCH 11	DOUBLES - 20 BIRDS.....	
MATCH 12	LADIES ONLY.....	
MATCH 13	CLYDE CARR MEMORIAL MATCH.....	BETTY CARR
MATCH 14	NOVICE ONLY.....	BETTY CARR
MATCH 15	JUNIORS ONLY (RE-ENTRY).....	IN MEMORY OF STEVE HREN
MATCH 16	SUB JUNIOR 11 & UNDER.....	
MATCH 17	DOUBLES.....	
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	LADIES 20 YARD.....	
MATCH 23	JUNIOR.....	
MATCH 24	LADIES.....	
MATCH 25	FLINT ONLY.....	
MATCH 26	SHOOT TILL YOU MISS.....	RON & BONNIE FERNWALT
MATCH 27	PERCUSSION OR FLINT.....	IN MEMORY OF LYLE MCGREGOR
MATCH 29	16 YARD NOVICE.....	
MATCH 30	DEAN & PAT KING CO-ED PROTECTION.....	ADAM SASS &
MATCH 32	TRANHAM PROTECTION-----	MIKE BEATY &
MATCH 33	HANDICAP.....	LOUISE MERCER
MATCH 35	PERCUSSION OR FLINT.....	
MATCH 36	GVCNB SKEET SINGLES.....	
MATCH 37	GVCNB SKEET DOUBLES.....	
MATCH 38	GVCNB REGULATION ROUND OF SKEET.....	
FLINT/PERCUSSION AGGREGATE (of Matches 3 & 4)-----		

2025 MSMLA RIFLE SPONSORS

Match

Sponsored by

1. Ed Dennis 25 Yard Off Hand Match AMS-----ED DENNIS
2. Jerry and Randy MacInnes 50 Yard Off Hand AMS-----IN MEMORY OF JERRY MACINNES *
3. Harry Hauch Sr.50 Yard Rest AMS-----
4. Ernie Swain and Ed Ballots 100 Yd Rest AMS-----
5. Joe Kita 50 Yard Rest OS-----WAYNE LAMSON *
6. Chuck Kimbrell 100 Yard Rest OS-----
7. 100 Yard Off Hand AMS-----
9. 50 Yard X Stick AMS-----IN MEMORY OF RANDY MACINNES *
10. 100 Yard X Stick AMS-----THE BAUGHMAN FAMILY
11. 50 Yard X Stick OS-----
12. 100 Yard X Stick OS-----WAYNE LAMSON *
13. Dick Potts 25 Yard Off Hand Flint OS-----WHITE RIVER MUZZLE LOADERS
14. 50 Yard Off Hand Flint OS-----THE JAMES PRIMEAU
15. James Boyer 100 Yard Off Hand Flint OS-----IRA & SUE THUMMA 2026
16. Ira Thumma 50 Yard X Stick – Flint OS-----IRA & SUE THUMMA 2026
17. David Maddox 50 Yard Rest Flint AMS-----DAVID MADDOX *
20. Sharron Smith 25 Yard Off Hand Women AMS-----THE SMITH FAMILY
21. 50 Yard Off Hand Women AMS-----RUTH PALMER
22. Fran Hall 50 Yard X Stick Women AMS---TOBACCO RIVER MUZZLE LOADERS

23. 50 Yard Rest Women AMS-----IN MEMORY OF MARTY MADDOX *
26. 25 Yard O H Juniors AMS....JIM & TAMMY BROTHERTON
27. 50 Yard Rest Juniors AMS-----JIM & TAMMY BROTHERTON
30. Chuck Langworthy 50 Yard Musket-----THE SMITH FAMILY
31. 100 Yard Musket-----
34. Eric Hoskinson 25 Yard Pistol/Revolver-----ERIC THE COMPUTER GUY

35. 50 Yard Pistol Revolver----- SERGE BOURDEAUX
36. 25 Yard Revolver-----ERIC THE COMPUTER GUY
37. 50 Yard Revolver-----SERGE BOURDEAUX
38. 25 Yard Flint Pistol-----ERIC THE COMPUTER GUY
39. 50 Yard Flint Pistol-----SERGE BOURDEAUX
40. Barb and Stu Cuatt 50 Yard OH Co-ed AMS-----
41. Monte Heiser 25 Yd X Stix 11 yrs & Under AMS-----JOHN & DIANA REIST
42. 50 Yd Rest 11 yrs & Under AMS-----JOHN & DIANA REIST
43. 50 Yd Lite Bench Rest OS-----
44. 50 Yd Lite Bench Rest AMS-----THE SMITH FAMILY
45. 100 Yd Lite Bench Rest OS -----THE BAUGHMAN FAMILY
46. 100 Yd Lite Bench Rest AMS-----THE SMITH FAMILY
47. 25 Yard Off Hand AMS-----
48. 50 Yard Off Hand AMS-----THE BAUGHMAN FAMILY
49. 50 Yard X Stix AMS-----
50. 50 Yard Rest AMS-----
51. Thelma Keeler 25 Yard Off Hand AMS-----DIANE MCGREGOR
52. 50 Yard Off Hand AMS-----
53. Judi Stutz 50 Yard X Stix AMS-----
54. 50 Yard Rest AMS-----WES & GLORIA O;DELL
60. Cy Misner 25 Yard OH Old Timers AMS-----WHITE RIVER MUZZLE LOADERS
61. Leanard Walline 50 Yard OH Old Timers AMS-----
62. Mert Watson 50 Yard Rest Old Timers AMS-----THE BAUGHMAN FAMILY
63. 100 Yard Rest Old Timers AMS-----MANISTEE MUZZLE LOADING CLUB
64. 25 Yard Trade Gun—No Rear Site-----

65. *25 Yard Trade Gun – No Sighter Target and No Rear Site-----IN MEMORY OF LYLE MCGREGOR
 66. 50 Yard Trade Gun – No Rear Site-----JIM & TAMMY BROTHERTON
 67. Ted Thelen 50 Yard Trade Gun—No Sighter Targets and No Rear Sites-----TED THELEN

AGGREGATES

- A. Michigan State Championship-----GRAND VALLEY CAP N BALLERS™
 B. Flint Off Hand Championship-----
 C. Women's Championship-----...-----"THE LUTZKE GIRLS"
 D. Junior Championship-----JOE VALENTIN
 E. Musket Championship-----
 F. Flint Lock Championship-----IN MEMORY OF LYLE MCGREGOR
 G. Serge Bourdeaux Pistol/Revolver Championship-----SAUK TRAIL LONG RIFLES
 H. Bench Championship-----WAYNE LAMSON *
 I. Wayne Lamson Cross Stick Championship-----WAYNE LAMSON *
 J. Off Hand Championship-----
 K. Roy Keeler Championship---Men Only-----EATON RAPIDS CONSERVATION CLUB
 L. Thelma Keeler Championship---Women Only-----EATON RAPIDS CONSERVATION CLUB
 M. Guy R. Smith Overall Championship-----JIM & TAMMY BROTHERTON

 N. Joe Valentin Novice Championship-----JOE VALENTIN
 O. Robt A. Elka Off Hand Trophy -----JOE VALENTIN

 P. Alan Pichan Primitive Championship-----
 R. Old Timers Championship –60 and Over-----MANISTEE MUZZLE LOADING CLUB
 S. Bud Thomspen Trade Gun Primitive Championship-----SERGE BOURDEAUX
 T. Lite Bench Championship-----THE BAUGHMAN FAMILY
 U. Trade Gun Line Match Championship-----

PRIMITIVE

100. Trade Gun Woods Walk-----DENNIS & TAMARA NEELY
 101. Norm Blaker-----SAUK TRAIL LONG RIFLES
 102. James "Mac" Hall Woods Walk-----
 104. Free Trapper-----IN MEMORY OF LYLE MCGREGOR
 106. Fer-Du-Lac-----
 107. Wes O'Dell Knife Throw-----
 108. Tomahawk Throw-----
 110. Kids Knife—11 and under
 111. Kids Hawk---11 and under
 115. Junior Knife---15 and under
 116. Junior Hawk----15 and under

NOVICE

201. 25 Yard Off Hand---OS 3 bull target
 202. 25 Yard Off Hand—OS 1 Bull Target
 203. 50 Yard Off Hand—OS 1 Bull Target
 204. 50 Yard Cross Stick---OS 2 Bull Target
 205. 50 Yard Rest—OS 6 Bull Target-----ALEX MADDUX*
 210. Carl Hubel 25 Yard Novice Pistol/Revolver -----IN MEMORY OF KEVIN ANDRES

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SPRING SHOOT

MAY 2, 3, 4, 2025

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