



# Wolverine Rangers Epitaph



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## ★ Captain's Corner ★

Hello everyone,

### **General Rangers Info:**

#### **Free Membership Shoot:**

This year our annual free shoot and membership meeting will take place at DSC (Utica) on July 16<sup>th</sup>. The Rocky River Regulators will have a fun five stage match set up. After the match we will put on lunch and our annual meeting. As per the last few years we will review our financials, upcoming Range War info, Shootout at Bloody Porch info, our Clean Shooter awards and finish up with some prize drawings. We will need to plan for a head count this year as we will need to decide if we can have the meeting inside the cowboy building, or if we will need to hold it in the main clubhouse.

#### **Range War:**

**Info and Events Schedule:** The general information sheet flyer and schedule of events will be posted by June 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Stage writing contest:** We are inviting everyone to submit their favorite stage for consideration in this year's match. This can be a stage you love, one that you enjoyed at a previous Range War, or just one that you thought up that you would like to shoot. These can be submitted via email, mail, text or in person to Sinola Kid. Entries will be accepted now through June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Our range committee will review all entries and select ten stages for the 2023 Range War. It has been brought to my attention that some may not want their name associated with the stage. If this is the case and you would still like to submit a stage, please do so, and let me know you would prefer to stay anonymous. We have had quite a few submissions, but we would still like more.

**Stage Sponsorship:** So far, we have three stage sponsors, and we are looking for seven more. Each stage sponsor will receive advertising/recognition space in the shooter's handbook as well as signage on the stage. Sponsorships will start at a recommended donation of \$100 per stage. We will use these funds to update our props, tables, and feel of the stages. Of course, we are open to suggestions as well for improvements. If you are interested in sponsoring a stage this year, please contact me to discuss by July 1<sup>st</sup>, as we need time to get the book updated.

**Golf cart rentals:** The forms to sign up for a golf cart will be available on June 14<sup>th</sup>.



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### ***Shootout at Bloody Porch:***

Ethan and I will be working on stages and more of the planning in the coming weeks. Making this a two-day shoot will be more fun and should draw in more participants and competition.

### ***Wolverine Rangers recent accomplishments:***

I would like to take a minute to acknowledge some of our shooters that have had success at large matches recently.

At the **Kentucky State SASS Championship**, our own Three Gun Cole not only won the 49er category he was the overall match champion. Finishing almost 14 seconds faster than the next closest shooter. Mustache Kid finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in Silver Senior and 17<sup>th</sup> overall. Crazy Mingo finished 1<sup>st</sup> in Frontier Cartridge and 39<sup>th</sup> overall, also he was first in his category in the Wild Bunch mini match. JR Hammer finished 1<sup>st</sup> in El Patron and 48<sup>th</sup> overall.





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### ***Wolverine Rangers recent accomplishments:***

Last weekend was the **Ohio State SASS Championship**. 12 tough but fun stages. Stages included: a shotgun popper target that launched a pop can, 4 pistol knockdowns, two 5 plate tombstone knockdown racks for rifle targets, one rifle plate rack with six small knockdowns and finally a swinging rifle target. Four out of twelve stages had some form of knockdowns or a swinger. Five Wolverine Rangers finished in the Top 20, three in the Top 10.

Three Gun Cole 1<sup>st</sup> in 49er – clean match – 2<sup>nd</sup> overall

Two Rig a Tony 3<sup>rd</sup> in Cattle Baron

JC Wade 2<sup>nd</sup> in Cowboy – 8<sup>th</sup> overall

JR Hammer 2<sup>nd</sup> in El Patron

Rodent 3<sup>rd</sup> in El Patron

Riverview Rattler 2<sup>nd</sup> in Elder Statesman – Clean Match – 11<sup>th</sup> overall

Leadfoot Luke 2<sup>nd</sup> in Gunfighter – 15<sup>th</sup> overall

Hey Sugar 1<sup>st</sup> in Lady Senior

Shelby Kid 4<sup>th</sup> in Senior

Shiloh Red 2<sup>nd</sup> in Senior Duelist

Mustache Kid 3<sup>rd</sup> in Silver Senior

Outrider Outlaw 2<sup>nd</sup> in Silver Senior Duelist

Sinola Kid 3<sup>rd</sup> in Wrangler – 10<sup>th</sup> overall

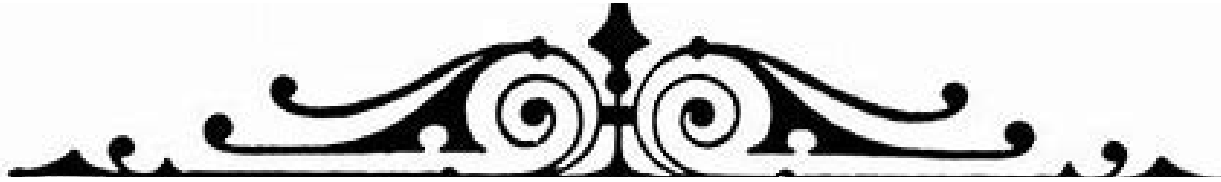
See you on the range,

*Sinola Kid*

Sinola Kid  
Captain Wolverine Rangers







## Rocky River Regulators of DSC — Utica

Sunday, May 7, 2023, DSC Wild Bunch Match was rained out. The winner was Mother Nature. Match Director Coyote Claxton is trying to reschedule this match, so watch the Wolverine Rangers web site for details.

Sunday, May 21, 2023, was a perfect weather day on the range. Blue sky, 70-degree weather and a slight breeze made shooting and competing very enjoyable. We had twenty-two cowboys and cowgirls that agreed and venture out to shoot five enjoyable stages. When the shooting ceased, and the scores calculated Riverview Rattler was top cowboy followed closely by Leadfoot Luke and Rifle Rick. Shooting clean matches were Leadfoot Luke, Rifle Rick, J.J. Longley, Camptown, Broke N' West, Soaring Red Hawk, Wildcat Maverick, John Weston, and Big Al.

Coming Events at DSC...

Sunday, June 18, 2023, is our annual Father's Day Cowboy Action Match with big close targets. Come out and have some fun!

See you on the range.

J.J. Longley





## Butcher Butte Bunch-Fenton

The Mother's Day Cowboy Action shooting match is in the record books. Three cowgirls and 11 cowboys came for the match along with 2 observers. Of those 14 competitors 6 were FLSC members. Two competitors traveled a bit of a distance to join us: one from Sanford (north of Midland) and one came all the way from White Hall (north of Muskegon). There were 2 competitors who shot a clean match (no misses). First place was claimed by Riverview Rattler followed closely by Mountain Man Jim and Shelby Kid. The 2 clean matches were shot by Broke N West and Crazy Mingo.

The June match will happen on Sunday, June 11. Registration will begin at 8:45am in the Clays house. The shooting will start on the 50 yard range immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance and the mandatory safety meeting at about 9:30am. Those who have never shot a cowboy match at Fenton can play for just \$5.00 and we don't require you to have all the equipment. There is no charge for watching. Just be sure to bring eye and hearing protection.

Pictures of our Mother's Day match can be seen at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/7hV59EdHidjDL576A> and a video is available at <https://youtu.be/iFcDUNWU8Lo>

Many thanks to FLSC members Alan Purdy and Jeff Lane for helping us with match set-up the day before the match and to members Bourbon Betty ,Grubby Hardrock and Rip Rocker along with non-members Isabella Bird and Mountain Man Jim for helping with tear down immediately following the match.

Stage descriptions for the June match will be available about June 1. You can see them on our Facebook page: Butcher Butte Bunch.





## Double Barrel Gang-Hastings

First shoot of the year, and it was a great turn out! We had 22 shooters. hOOt Hamilton brought his daughter, hOOt Ette for her first match. I think she is hooked.

Doc Noper took first place, followed by Riverview and Cayuse Jack. We had 4 clean shooters: Doc Noper, Cayuse Jack, Hey Sugar, and Split Aces.

Our next shoot is June 3 at the Barry County Conservation Club. Slippery Pete has made some great improvements to the range with safety in mind and hosts a fun shoot. If you haven't been here lately, come check it out. Hope to see you there!

Aim small, miss small!



Horseman Tweed, Trouble, and the Double Barrel Gang



Slippery Pete and JJ Hunter



hOOt Hamilton and hOOt Ette



## Brush Creek—Hillman

Brush Creek Wranglers of Hillman held our first outdoor shoot of the year on May 13th. The weather was just great. We had 8 Cowgirls and Cowboys show up to get the cobwebs out of their guns and rust out of their joints. There wasn't any clean shooters, but everyone laughed and had a good time.

A reminder to everyone that *July 1st* is the cutoff to save \$10 off the shooting fee for the Cowboy Rendezvous held July 28,29, and 30th. Still have a few spots open, so get those apps in ASAP. They can be found on the Wolverine Rangers web site under the clubs heading for Hillman or contact me at [faygo.kid@yahoo.com](mailto:faygo.kid@yahoo.com) . For more info contact me.

That's all for now. Have a Great summer of shooting.

Take Care,

Faygo Kid  
Cowboy Match Director  
Hillman Sportsmen Club



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### CAPTAIN

- Any Wolverine Ranger or Range War Concerns
- Vendor Registration and Information

### RANGE WAR MATCH DIRECTOR

- Volunteer to help with Range War

### WOLVERINE RANGER'S SECRETARY

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

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- Join Wolverine Rangers or Renew Membership
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- Badges or Membership Packets

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- Classified and Merchant Ads

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