



## Fourteenth Annual Chippewa Valley Rendezvous

Saturday, October 3, 2009

Starting Time: 9:00 AM Sharp

Dear 4-H Members and Volunteers:

Today, as in the past, muzzleloading has its serious side, such as state and national target competitions and determined hunters after that "big buck". **Most blackpowder, though, is burned while "makin' fun."** This is not new. Over a century ago, mountain men and buckskinners met annually at colorful and sometimes wild rendezvous to have fun, participate in good-natured competition, and trade.

The Chippewa County 4-H Muzzle Loaders are recreating some of this shooting fun at the fourteenth annual "*Chippewa Valley Rendezvous*." You may choose any or all of the events. Individual shoots will include the **rifle silhouettes event, 10-yard pistol shoot, muzzleloader trap shoot, a life size wild game target shoot, a civil war era Springfield rifle musket shoot, and a 17th Century Survival course**, along with demonstrations and a competition in **hawk (tomahawk) throw**.

The Rendezvous is planned for **Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. sharp at the Bloomer Rod & Gun Club Range**. This Rendezvous is intended to be fun and educational, but *all participants must have completed a Muzzle Loading Course* in order to participate in this powder-burning event. The event will end with an awards program around the fire ring. The Chippewa County 4-H Shooting Sports Committee can supply rifles, shotguns, pistols, balls, bullets, powder, and all possibles. However, it will be much more convenient for all if you bring what equipment you own, but that is not necessary. For shooters who bring their own equipment: much of the shooting will be limited to patched round balls only! For those shooters who choose to dress in authentic garb, an award will be given to the "most authentic dressed" attendee.

**The registration fee is \$10.00 per member, and \$10.00 for parents and leaders**, thanks in part to the Friends of the NRA grant funding, which includes a whole day of fun, the use of guns, powder, balls, bullets, shot, targets, clay pigeons, cleaning supplies and awards. **(What a deal!)** The registration fee also includes a camp meal of a camp stew, but each family should also bring a "dish to pass". For the dish to pass, you can be creative and bring something that you could expect to find on a 17th century table, but remember it has to be something kids will eat!

The location of the Rendezvous is three miles west of the intersection of Wisconsin Highways 40 and 53, near Bloomer, WI. Check out the enclosed map. Don't forget to bring a dish to pass. Parents are very much welcomed and encouraged to come, have fun, (and help).

**TO REGISTER**, please complete the registration form and return it by September 12th to: Joe Tiry, 34111 County Hwy. 0, Stanley, WI 54768 Make checks payable to "**CHIPPEWA COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS**."

"Keep your powder dry. I'll met chew at da Rendezvous."

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**2009 CHIPPEWA VALLEY RENDEZVOUS – MUZZLELOADING COURSE**

Registration and Permission Statement

Name of Youth/Adult \_\_\_\_\_  
[ONE REGISTRATION PER FORM]

Address City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Shooter must be at least 12 years of age)

**PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I am registering for the Muzzleloading Course and Rendezvous.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am registering for the Rendezvous ONLY and have taken a Muzzleloading Course before.

I hereby give permission for my child to be involved in the 2009 Chippewa Valley 4-H Rendezvous. I understand that my child will be working around and shooting with live gunpowder and/or tomahawks.

**I authorize the use of photographs or videos of my child while participating in this tournament to be used for educational or media purposes.**

I release the University of Wisconsin-Extension, its employees and volunteer 4-H leader(s) from any financial responsibility for sickness or accident to my child while in transit to or from, and in attendance at this Shooting Sports event. I hereby authorize the event's responsible person to incur expense considered necessary to insure prompt attention in case of serious sickness/accident. I agree to pay for necessary expenses incurred, if this is not covered by an accident/sickness insurance policy. I understand that I must provide adequate eye and ear protection for my child with safety glasses and earplugs or muffs.

I also understand that during the course of shooting, it may be necessary to position my child or demonstrate such topics as live firing, shooting positions, correct stance, different carries, and basic gun handling, which may include appropriate body contact.

Additionally, I hereby give consent to the official in charge to use reasonable disciplinary action with my child while in a shooting sports activity.

I certify that my child is a 2009-2010 4-H member.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

I certify that the above member has successfully completed one of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Shooting Sports Muzzleloading Course
- \_\_\_\_\_ (NMLRA) National Muzzleloading Rifle Association Basic Course
- \_\_\_\_\_ (NRA) National Rifle Association Muzzleloading Course
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other: Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Key Leader OR 4-H Youth Development Agent

RETURN by September 12<sup>th</sup> with \$10.00 to:  
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