

May 17 – 19, 2024

Times: Friday, May 17 – 10am to 5pm Saturday, May 18 – 10am to 5pm Sunday, May 19 – Noon to 5pm Backup Date: September 6-8, 2024 (just in case of Spring river flooding)

# Location: The Lewis and Clark Boat House

and Museum 1050 S Riverside Drive, St Charles, MO 63301

## The Hawken Classic:

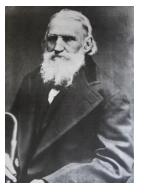
The 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the J&S Hawken rifle is 2025. We began celebrating this annual event the Summer of 2022.

The Hawken brothers were instrumental in the development of the purpose-built Plains/Mountain rifle. Their rifles became the prototype for all makers supplying the Western trade. The Hawken Shop in St. Louis supplied rifles for the trans Mississippi trade from the 1820's through 1860. The Hawken Classic is a celebration of the Hawken rifles contribution to American History. The Lewis and Clark Boat House and Museum near St. Louis, Missouri, is a great location for this event. In August 2023 the Hawken rifle was named the Official State Rifle for Missouri.



#### Activities will include:

- 1. Incredible collection of original and contemporary Missouri rifles on display.
- 2. Knowledgeable guest speakers on the history of the Hawken rifle and related subjects.
- 3. Living history camps in period correct attire.
- 4. Vendors including The Hawken Shop, Trail Creek Trade Company, and many more...
- 5. Artist and craftsmen demonstrating weaving, forging, fire starting, powder horns, leather work and more.
- 6. Opportunity to shoot black powder from an original Hawken rifle owned by Greg Roberts.
- 7. See many period correct guns, accoutrement's and enjoy the living history.
- 8. Test your skills at traditional archery, hawk and knife throw, and fire starting.
- 9. Come learn how Lewis and Clark and the Hawken Rifle impacted America's history.



### Registration documents, lodging options, and more can be found here:

Website: <u>Https://www.GemmerMuzzleloadingClub.com/Hawken-Classic/</u> Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/hawkenclassic/</u> Facebook Group: <u>Hawken Classic Public Group</u> YouTube Channel: <u>@HawkenClassic</u> Instagram: <u>https://www.instagram.com/hawkenclassic/</u> Send your completed registration form to hawkenclassic@pm.me Or mail to Hawken Classic, 101 W Country Ln, Collinsville, IL 62234

#### **Contacts**

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**Official State Rifle** 

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