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News from the President

Hello and happy spring to everyone. Looks as if the weather will be cooperating and we can finally begin outdoor activities. Morel mushroom hunting is one of my favorite spring activities. I am guessing many members have spring turkey hunting on their agenda. I see flocks of turkeys everywhere so bagging one should be fairly easy. The ice on the lakes is gone and I have seen fishing boats on Allen Lake and Vandercook Lake. Like many of you, yard clean-up is on my agenda.

The April 6th membership/board meeting will be a in person meeting at 7 PM at the clubhouse. If you are a new member and have not attended a meeting to be approved by the membership and board please attend this meeting. Per MDHHS requirements you must wear a mask and social distance. Custodial services inside the clubhouse have begun and the upstairs carpet is scheduled for stain removal and cleaning April 24th. If you use the indoor archery range, PLEASE try and not spill beverages on the carpet and clean your boots when entering.

Club facilities rentals are booming for 2021. Providing MDHHS does not issue "new" restrictions maybe your club can recuperate lost 2020 revenues. All renters are required to sign a covid-19 wavier and are re-

sponsible for adhering to MDHHS rules.

It has been reported people are using your club's refuse dumpster to dump personal refuse. The dumpster is being monitored and anyone caught doing this will be warned and a second infraction could result in the loss of your membership. The ingress and egress roads will be graded and gravel added to where the holes are as soon as the spring rains end. Adding gravel at this time would result in a muddy mess.

Spring cleanup day is April 24th. Everyone will meet at the clubhouse at 9 AM and work details will be assigned by Dave Styx and Pat Weber. Bring rakes, shovels and small chainsaws if you have them. This is a great opportunity to earn work tickets and socialize a bit. A light lunch will be served. Mowing and other outdoor chores will begin in earnest in April. Anyone wanting to volunteer, please contact Pat Weber or Dave Styx. All officers' phone numbers may be found on our web page under the "About Us" tab. Else, just show up beginning in early May at the pole barn around 7:30am.

Indoor archery is drawing to a close. Outdoor archery will begin in May. Director Norm has some

Next Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- April 6, 2021 7PM General Membership Mtg; Board Mtg to follow.
- May 4, 2021 7PM Tentative General Membership Mtg; Board Mtg to follow.

FACE MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED.

CONTACTING THE CLUB:

ALL
CORRESPONDENCE
INCLUDING
MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATIONS
MUST BE MAILED
TO:

JCOC
PO BOX 1708
JACKSON, MI
49204



2021 Club Rentals

Clubhouse rentals are being accepted for after May

23, 2020. These rentals however will be subject to the State of Michigan MDHHS Epidemic Orders and restrictions at

time of the rental event.



From the President continued...

fantastic shoots scheduled. Flyers listing dates and times are posted on Facebook and our webpage. Also, the board has approved installation of two special targets for "crossbows only". The targets will be located in the area across from the archery storage barn. Cost will be \$500, possibly more. If you would like to donate to help with the costs please see Norm. A Traditional Shoot is scheduled for the weekend of August 6th, 7th, and 8th. Nightly primitive camping will be available at \$5 per night and meals will be available at an additional cost. **A REMINDER TO ALL FIREARM RANGE USERS, ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED DURING THE OUTDOOR ARCHERY SHOOT.** All outdoor 3D sanctioned shoots are open to the public at a cost.

Trap shooting will begin on Wednesday April 7th at 5 PM and continue every Wednesday through October. Ammunition and reloading supplies are very difficult to find. A Facebook friend of JCOC was kind enough to sell the club a large number of boxes (Winchester, Federal, Estate) of "new" 12ga and 20ga trap loads at \$7 per box. Your club will make these shells available to any-

one shooting trap at your club for the paid price of \$7 per box. Purchased shells should be used at JCOC. Join us for some fun outdoors. The public is welcome.

A reminder to member Ackerson Lake residents, please tell your neighbors that launch watercraft at your club's boat ramp to buy a sticker and place the sticker ON the watercraft. Members may request a "free" watercraft sticker. Letters to lake residents will be going out soon. Abuse of this system could result in the closure of the boat ramp. The nominal fees paid are a great help in upkeep of the roads, dock, and ramp.

Members are encouraged to ask people using the ranges to see their member cards. Be friendly when asking, and do not be offended if you are asked. Making certain only members use your ranges protects everyone and our facilities.

Well, I have probably forgotten something, but time to go outside on this beautiful Saturday morning. Enjoy your club and spring.

Richard Alan Griggs, President

Grounds & Equipment Update

Spring is in the air and summer will be here soon! In preparation, all the Clubs outdoor equipment has received its annual spring maintenance and is ready to go. A sincere Thank You to club member Rick Saltzgaber for spending several hours the past few weeks getting the equipment ready. Depending on the weather, we are planning on starting the weekly mowing on Wednesdays beginning in early May. If you would like help, please come to the Club Wednesdays. We typically get started around 7:30 AM and wrap up by 12:00 PM. Please watch for updates regarding the actual start date. Thank you and stay safe!

Pat Weber, Grounds & Equipment Director

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Online Membership Renewals!

Your club has developed a "Membership Renewal" button on the upper right corner of your club's Homepage on the web. You can "renew" online, but you cannot begin a "new" membership online. If your membership has lapsed for one full year, you must rejoin as a "new" member. When you click the "Membership Renewal" button you will be taken to a page explaining online renewals. Click on "Buy Now" at the bottom **AFTER** you have filled in your current membership number, type of membership, and name. To receive proper credit your membership number **MUST BE CORRECT**. You will need to sign in to your PayPal account on the page that pops up after you click the Buy Now button. You may pay with PayPal or any credit card you have on file at PayPal. PayPal will send a detailed payment record to your club's email address and to your email address. Please allow ten days for processing, during which your new member card(s) will be mailed to you. No refunds, so be certain the information you provide is accurate.

Mark Your Calendar!

Just a reminder that **Saturday the 24th of April** has been set for "cleanup day" at the club. Work begins at 9 AM. We will be cleaning the clubhouse interior, grounds, and performing other tasks on the to do list. Bring rakes, shovels, trimmers, and any other handy equipment.



We haven't had much activity in the clubhouse, however, annual cleaning is still needed. Please bring buckets, cleaning supplies, rags, etc. if you have extra. We'll be dusting, washing windows and window treatments, cleaning countertops, appliances and vacuuming up any bugs both upstairs and downstairs! A light free lunch will be served, and this is a great opportunity to earn work tickets. Each ticket is good for \$5 off next years membership, up to established limits. Hope to see you there.

2021 JCOC Outdoor Archery Calendar

3D Shoot Schedule for 2021:

- May 1st, 2021 ASA Tri State Shoot-9am shotgun start
- May 2nd, 2021 ASA Tri State Shoot-10am shotgun start
- May 22nd, 2021 IBO Qualifier-9am shotgun start
- May 23rd, 2021 IBO Qualifier-10am shotgun start

JCOC Club Shoots from 9am until 1pm

- June 13th & 27th traditional
- July 11th & 25th traditional
- August 8th & 22nd traditional
- September 12th Jamie McKibben Memorial Shoot
- Cost: children under 10 free, under 18 half price, adults \$15.00

1st Annual Traditional Rendezvous

August 6th - 8th

Primitive Camping \$5.00/day

Vendors Welcome

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner available.

Contact for info: Corey 517-740-4282;

Max 386-547-3369; Tammy 517-945-4815



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REMINDER — Range use is from Sunrise to Sunset, No shooting after Sunset! No shooting on Sunday until noon. Be sure to check the JCOC website for closures due to Archery or other events!!



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