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## Next Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- February 2, 2021
   General Member ship Mtg HAS BEEN
   CANCELLED; Board
   Meeting will be
   held on Zoom at
   7PM
- March 2, 2021 7PM
   Tentative General
   Membership Mtg;
   Board Meeting to
   follow.

### Jackson County Outdoor Club News







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## News from the President

The new year is off to a better start than 2020. My wife and I received our first vaccination shot on the 13th of January, no problems. We receive the second shot on February 5th. Due the MDHHS orders the February meeting will be a Board only meeting via Zoom. Hopefully, we will be able to resume normal in person meetings very soon.

Club rentals were stopped per board action through April 2021. We have many bookings beginning in May. Your club can use the profits so hopefully we will be able to permit the rentals.

Not much going on at present at your club. Indoor Youth Archery and indoor League Archery are being held presently. Flyers on our website and FB regarding both if you are interested.

All the furnaces at your club (3) and in the two rental units were serviced. Two needed minor repairs and the repairs have been completed.

Dave Styx and Pat Weber are making plans for outdoor projects this spring and summer. Upgrading and painting the upper deck and cutting brush are two items they are contemplating. They will need mowing partners too. If you can/want to help call Dave or Pat, their numbers are on the website under the "About Us" section. Weather permitting outdoor projects usually begin in April.

Trap shooting will begin on April 7th at 5 PM. Join us for a fun time. The outdoor 3D targets will be installed late April or early May. If you wish to help call Norm Z. his number can be found on our web page also. Norm is in the process of setting up the outdoor 3D archery schedule.

The lake currently has ice. It may, or may not, be safe so be very cautious if you venture out.

Check out our FB page as the page is always current and has some very interesting items for viewing. The website is also current. A note: Johnson's Sporting Goods is selling guns and ammo like there is no tomorrow. I assume that is true of many sporting goods stores.

If you look at the bottom of our web page, and at the final page of our newsletter, you will see a list of sponsors. It costs sixty dollars per year to be a sponsor. CONTACTING THE CLUB:

ALL
CORRESONDENCE
INCLUDING
MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATIONS
MUST BE MAILED
TO:
JCOC
PO BOX 1708
JACKSON, MI
49204



## 2021 Club Rentals

Clubhouse rentals are being accepted for after April



30, 2020. These rentals however will be subject to the State of Michigan MDHHS Epidemic Orders and restrictions at the time of



## From the President continued...

Cheap advertisement for certain. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please send sixty dollars and a business card to the club's PO box.

Please welcome your new Director of Membership/Sunshine Gregory Simonson. Thanks Greg for volunteering. The Recording Secretary and Property Management positions remain open. Please volunteer if possible.

Please enjoy the new year, stay safe and enjoy your club. If you have not received a renewal application please email the club at jack-soncountyoutdoorclub3550@gmail.com.

Richard Alan Griggs, President.

Reminder — Range use is from Sunrise to Sunset, No shooting after Sunset! No shooting on Sunday until noon.

## Michigan Out-of-Doors Camp Transitions to Day Camp for 2021

by Shaun Mckeon 1/22/2021

The MUCC Education team is excited to announce our plans to reopen the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth camp this summer. However, the summer of 2021 will look much different from past summer camp programs. We have spent the past several months deciding what we believe is the best course of action. After consulting with other camp programs, and



our state licensing official, the safest option is to operate exclusively as a day camp program for this year. We believe this to be the best course for our staff, campers and their families.

Our program will operate for six weeks beginning in Mid-June and running until early August. Each week will have a different nature-focused theme. We are offering programs for campers ages 5-14.

# Michigan Out-of-Doors Camp continued...

COVID-19 is still a concern and while the trends are improving, we cannot afford to risk all of the time and expenses in preparing for a residential experience and have that canceled. The layout of our facilities, property and residential programs limits our ability to follow mandated COVID guidelines for a weeklong, overnight experience. This leaves the risk of a COVID outbreak from our residential setting too high. The best way to mini-



mize the risk while bringing back our programs is to switch to a day camp program this summer. Campers will be able to remain outdoors, masked-up and socially distant throughout each week. These precautions will help our program keep campers and their families safer. We have limited the capacity of participants on the property at any one time. We will also adjust our group sizes to keep the campers in small pods as recommended by our licensing requirements.

The switch to a day camp does not mean that our programs and our focus on conservation education will change. All of our campers will still participate in an exciting week, immersing themselves in the outdoors and learning a variety of outdoor technical skills.

All of our campers will continue to learn about fishing, swimming, kayaking, building a fire and shelter, spending time on our archery range and exploring the different ecosystems that the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center has to offer. If you live in the Chelsea, Jackson, Ann Arbor, or Dexter area, this is a perfect opportunity to get your child out of the house and into the outdoors.

Day camp programs for six weeks from June 28th to August 6th for campers ages 5-14. Each week of camp will have a different theme. Here is what this summer will look like:

6/28-7/02: Week 1: Conservation Connection

7/05-7/09: Week 2: Fishing

7/12-7/16: Week 3: Wilderness Survival

7/19-7/23: Week 4: Conservation Connection

7/26-7/30: Week 5: Forests 8/02-8/06: Week 6: Wetlands

Day Camp will run Monday-Friday, from 9 am-4 pm with early drop-off and late pickup options available. Parents need to provide a packed lunch and a swimsuit each day.

We will begin online camp registration on March 1st through our online provider CampDoc. You can follow the registration steps on our website, <a href="https://www.mucccamp.org">www.mucccamp.org</a>.

To JCOC members: if you have a child or grandchild that you would like to send to one of the MUCC day camps this year, please drop us an email at jacksoncountyoutdoorclub3550@gmail.com to let us know. In the past JCOC has sponsored camp attendance and would consider doing so for one week this year if we have anyone interested. Thanks!!













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