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News from the President

Hope your New Year has started off nicely. The snow storm the weather services predicted for up to fourteen inches luckily did not appear. No grumbles here, we have had a very moderate winter thus far and the snow and colder weather temperatures are to be expected. Remember, this is Michigan.

Youth and league archery have begun at your club. I believe both end in March so join in and have fun. As always, the firearm ranges are seeing use. Fairly quiet at your club, which is normal for January.

The membership and board meeting for February will be on the 6th at 7PM. Please attend if you can. There will be discussion on how to proceed and give lake launch access to the lake property owners that are NOT members. Specifically, when the lake property owners may launch their watercraft. A gate restricting lake access has been installed and will be locked with a combination lock. Discussion will regard unlocking the gate for a specific period of time (maybe one month) and requiring lake property owners to launch their watercraft during that period. Another option is to provide lake property owners with the combination to the gate lock when they purchase a watercraft sticker. Board members are a bit concerned about that option due to people sharing the combination. Regardless of the op-

tion the board decides upon, the gate has become a necessary evil to protect your club and the lake property owners from trespassers.

Your club is seeking sponsors to advertise in the club's newsletter and webpage. The cost is sixty dollars for the year. A business card is required and will be included in all monthly issues of your club's newsletter and on you club's webpage. A real bargain for the price. If you know if someone is interested in being a sponsor, please have them contact the club at jacksoncountyoutdoorclub3550@gmail.com or me at 517-315-9339 and their sponsorship can be arranged.

Membership renewals are required by January 31st, lest you lose the opportunity to claim work tickets for a reduction in membership dues. The prices for a club membership is minimal for the amenities offered by the club. Being able to shoot at your leisure in a non-crowded environment without having to drive a great distance is a wonderful thing.

Stay safe throughout the remainder of the year.

Richard Alan Griggs, President



Upcoming Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- February 4, 2024 MUCC Region 7 Mtg 11:30 AM Lunch; 12:15-3:30 PM Mtg
- February 6, 2024 Membership & Board Meetings 7:00 PM
- March 5, 2024 Membership & Board Meetings 7:00 PM

CONTACTING THE CLUB:

**ALL
CORRESPONDENCE
INCLUDING
MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATIONS
MUST BE MAILED
TO:**

**JCOC
PO BOX 1708
JACKSON, MI
49204**

JCOC**2024 Board of Directors**

Richard Griggs, President

Alex Moske, V.P.

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Max McFeters, Archery

Chuck Drevitch, Conservation & Waterfront

Corey Burns, Grounds & Equipment

David Wilson/LeeAnna Kloack, Kitchen & Clubhouse Rentals

Tammy McFeters, Membership & Sunshine

Karen Wilson, Newsletter & Social Media

David Teriaco, Ranges

Mark Baldwin, Rental Property Mgmt. & Clubhouse

Board Meeting Notes

The January Membership and Board meeting were held at the clubhouse on Tuesday, January 2nd with 21 members present. The following actions were discussed and/or taken:



- 2 new members were welcomed and approved.
- 9 rentals have been scheduled so far for 2024.
- The range box held \$53. Activity for December was 40 on the rifle range, 30 on the pistol range and 9 used the archery range.
- Water issues at the clubhouse have been corrected.
- The kitchen fire suppression system passed inspection.
- State-wide deer hunting was down 11%. 30,000 less deer were harvested. The U.P. saw a overall decrease of 26%.
- The gate to the lake has been installed. It was noted that reflectors on the gate were needed. Corey Burns will address this issue.
- \$220 was approved for Sebastian Brothers for well cleaning.
- \$1000 was approved to Murph's Pumps for a second decontamination of the well.
- The modular rental lease extension for 2024 was approved.
- Mark and Char Baldwin will attend the MUCC annual convention this March in Sault Ste Marie.

JCOC Archery February 2024

Ongoing events include:

Sunday Youth League—January 7th through March 10th:
1:00 p.m.—Beginner Class (Basic Fundamentals); 2:30 p.m.—Intermediate Class; 4:00 p.m.—Advanced Class

Wednesday Spot League—January 15th through March 13th:
6:30 p.m. \$3.00 JCOC Members (per week); \$5.00 Non-Members (per week)

Thursday Animal League—January 11th through March 14th:
6:30 p.m. \$5.00 JCOC Members (per week); \$7.00 Non-Members (per week)

February 17th & 18th—ASA Indoor Archery Shoot

Questions?? Contact Max @ 386.547.3369 or Tammy @ 517.945.4815.

The Early Bird Gets a Head Start on Work Tickets!

Come join on us at 8:00 a.m. on February 14th to work in the clubhouse cleaning/sorting the back kitchen storage room. Thanks to the 8 members who showed up on January 10th to help inventory tables/chairs and clean up the back store room. Got it done in 2 hours!!



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Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp



The Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp has been running out of the Cedar Lake Outdoor Center in Chelsea, MI since 2003. Our camp is run by Michigan United Conservation Clubs, which is the largest statewide non-profit conservation organization.

Since 1946, our camp program has been at multiple locations around the state and had over 59,000 campers. We offer residential and day camp programs, with each week focusing on a different conservation-based theme.

With a variety of themes and weeks to choose from, no doubt your camper will find a week that best suits their interest and we know they will have a great time! With 250-acres of property and lake front access, there is no shortage of exploration to be done here at the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp.

2024 Camp Season: This year, the Michigan Out-of-Doors Youth Camp will run seven weeks of camp. Five of them will be residential programs and two of them will be day camp programs. Each week focuses on a different conservation based theme, allowing campers to sign up for a program that will best suit their interests. No matter what week your camper chooses, they will get to participate in our daily activities such as archery, kayaking, fishing, hiking, and so much more!

CAMP WEEKS: Conservation Connection June 17 - 21 \$325 · Day Camp · Ages 6 - 12; Favorable Fishing June 23 - 28 \$750 · Residential · Ages 9 - 11; Stewards in Training July 7 - 12 \$750 · Residential · Ages 12- 14; Wetland Wonders July 14 - 19 July 21 - 26; Hunting Heritage & Counselors in Training \$750 · Residential · Ages 12-16; Survival Skills July 28 - August 2 · \$750 · Residential Ages 9 - 11 · Conservation Connection August 5 - 9 \$325 · Day Camp · Ages 6 - 12.

Frequently Asked Questions Q: When does registration open? A: March 1st, 2024 Q: How do I register? A: Registration is done online through the platform CampDoc. The link to register can be found on our website at www.mucccamp.org Q: Are there scholarships available? A: Yes. We provide multiple scholarships a year for campers. To apply for a scholarship, head to our website and click the scholarships tab. Q: Which weeks offer the hunter safety course? A: All five of our residential programs provide the option for campers to complete the hunter safety course. Q: How many kids attend each week? A: Each week there are 50 registration spots. Q: Is payment due at the time of registration? A: Yes. Due to high demand, payment is required at the time of registration to secure your camper's spot.

The JCOC Board of Trustees is looking to sponsor one or two spots for a members child or grandchild this year. Registration is due March 1st!! If you are interested please contact Richard Griggs at 517-315-9339 ASAP!! For more information visit <https://www.mucccamp.org/>


Get Ready for Spring—February 23rd to 25th, 2024

Home Builders Association of Jackson & Consumers Energy presents the Home & Garden Show 2024! Mark your calendars now! Come explore 97 booths showcasing the latest innovations in remodeling, home improvement & building trends to update and upgrade, the interior and exterior of your home. We have something for everyone with exhibitors to help you with your building, remodeling and various home improvement projects. Browse kitchen & bath displays, windows and door displays, home heating solutions, flooring, home services, new builds, and more. Check out the landscape & garden displays with ideas for all of your spring and summer landscaping projects. Meet with contractors and suppliers who will show latest trends in home construction & remodeling. HBAJ invites you to join us at the American 1 Event Center! Friday is Ladies Night with a Wine & Chocolate Tasting for the ladies! For more info visit: www.JacksonHomeShow.com or call 517-783-4800. Cost is \$5 at the door.



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A reminder to sign in at the gate before entering the club grounds!! This allows members entering to be aware of where other members are on the property. This is for safety purposes!!



Thank you!

**Jackson County Outdoor Club
Membership Application
Circle "New" or "Renewal"**

NEW (New members must appear at a board meeting for approval prior to receiving membership card). RENEWAL (Can renew online at JCOC homepage with cc/PayPal or by submitting an application).

Please Print Legibly

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

DOB: _____ Email: _____

Your email address will only be used for club business and will not be provided or sold to anyone

Address: _____ Phone _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Spouse's Name (if a Family Membership)

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Membership Type (please check one) work tickets can be used to reduce membership fee at \$5 a ticket up to 15 for individual/family and up to 4 for senior individual/family. From September 1 to December 31, the dues will be reduced for the remainder of the year as follows: Individual/\$60, Family/\$75, Individual Senior/\$40, Senior Family/\$55. Tickets must be used by January 31 when renewing.

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| Individual | Senior Individual (62+) | Family | Senior Family (62+) |
| \$145.00 – no work tickets | \$70.00 – no work tickets | \$160.00 – no work tickets | \$85.00 – no work tickets |
| \$70.00 - +15 work tickets | \$50.00 - +4 work tickets | \$85.00 - +15 work tickets | \$65.00 - +4 work tickets |
| # work tickets claimed: _____ | # work tickets claimed: _____ | # work tickets claimed: _____ | # work tickets claimed: _____ |

NOTE: write in the number of work tickets you are "claiming" for credit JCOC Membership Director will verify, do not mail tickets

Dependents (for family memberships only, must be under 18 at time of application and with an adult at all times.

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| Name: | Birthdate: |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

I/we are interested in the following activities, please indicate use (U) or helping with (H)

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|------------------|-------|---------------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| Archery Programs | U / H | Education | U / H | Pistol/Rifle Ranges* | U / H |
| Boating/Fishing | U / H | Hunter Safety | U / H | Trap Ranges* | U / H |
| Building/Grounds | U / H | Kitchen | U / H | Youth Archery | U / H |
| Conservation | U / H | Newsletter | U / H | Youth Rifle* | U / H |

Other skills you have and could share with the club:

You are a MUCC member automatically.

Do you want the MUCC Michigan Out of Doors magazine delivered by email? Y / N
Delivered by mail, a printed version for the discounted price of \$20 per year? Y / N (Call 517-371-1041 to order)

Complete this form and mail to: **Jackson County Outdoor Club, P.O. Box 1708, Jackson, MI 49204-1708**

Please make check payable to JCOC. Check the home web page to pay with PayPal.

Memberships are good from January 1 to December 31

NOTE: due to the expense members will NOT be given boat stickers. Please have your membership card with you, all you will need

For Club Use Only:

Membership # _____ Range Orientation: Y Y / N N Payment: _____ Received Date: _____
Card Sent: _____ Treasurer: _____