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Jackson County Outdoor Club News









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Upcoming Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- February 4, 2025
 Membership & Board
 Meetings
- March 4, 2025 Membership & Board Meetings

News from the President

At this time of writing, the Presidential Inauguration for our 47th President of the United States of America with be sworn in at noon "tomorrow", January 20, 2025. Congratulations to us all!!! Though some may not have voted for him, it is our country we all look to be claimed as America, "the land of the free and the home of the brave".

Lake ice has been thickening and thickening. Passing through the ultra -chilly minus of zero degree freezing Siberian Polar vortex and the softer pluses of near freezing temperature weather. Hope all the happy fishermen in your lives are taking advantage of the ice, shanty, poles, ice augers, open ice fishing, and/or portable sheltering to enjoy some fresh caught fish from Ackerson Lake. Bring the family out. I'm sure skating on the lake, rinks and walking on the lake will be intriguing and enjoyable. Watch out for the snowmobiles and four wheelers which may show up scooting across the frozen water/ ice!! Always some sort of breeze will be there to pick up should you venture toward sailing on ice. Enjoy the outdoors!!

All rifle and pistol ranges are open from sun-up to sundown year-round, except Sundays which is noon - sundown. Enjoy the ranges to the fullest. Temperature is only a problem if you don't dress for it, right? During trap season, Wednes-

days interrupt the ranges for safety reasons and when the Archers are in the field, special dispensation is required due to the walking 3D range interface! Be safe out there and enjoy your time with family, friends, other sportsmen and our rangers!! Follow our rules of safety and personal range area leadership responsibilities! Thank you for that!

Directors Max and Tammy
McFeters have been continuing the
pierce arrow competitiveness of our
young and young at heart, and time
experienced sportsman wielding the
combinations of bows in practice and
competitions. I had recognized firsthand how the "Max-factor" has been
benefiting so many. It was my honor
to share some great time with those
skilled sportsmen during the recent
ASA competition held January 11-12.
See the McFeter update(s) in the recent ASA and the Mid-Michigan competitions following.

Hunting seasons continue to flow, overlap and in some cases restart with a new extension. We are now approaching the end of our general hunting season the end of March, but we still have turkey shoots and UR-BAN antlerless deer hunting winding down before and during February 2025, respectively. Jackson County is not in the antlerless hunting in the urban areas, but some hunters travel out and about for their challenges and rewards. Don't forget to renew your annual licenses.

CONTACTING THE CLUB:

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

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From the President continued...

Elk hunting season results show more than 250 licenses were sought and issued with an amazing result of 180 elk harvested through the season, both segments of Part 1(August – Sept for 12 days) and Part 2 (9 days of December). The colder weather season shared better results as snow and temperature were better fitting for the hunt.

Grab a pole and an auger! Let's hit the ice for some dinner!! Enjoy your February '25!

Regards, Mark D. Baldwin, JCOC President

Membership and Board Meeting Notes

The January Membership and Board meetings were held at the clubhouse on Tuesday, January 7th with 21 members present. The following actions were discussed and/or taken:



- 2 new members were approved.
- \$3,525 was turned in for upcoming clubhouse rentals.
- \$21 was turned in from the range box. Range usage for December saw 24 on the pistol range; 39 on the rifle range and 9 archery range users. Chicken wire on the ranges will be replaced when there is a good weather day.
- November/December saw membership renewals of 26 families; 40 individuals; 2 new families.
- Water testing is on-going with a meeting scheduled with the Health Department in January.
- Replacement of the upper level kitchen counter cost was \$161.27. Work to be done this month.
- \$650 was authorized for ASA membership for 2025.
- Purchase of JCOC stocking caps for sale was authorized.

MUCC Region 7 District Meeting

The MUCC Region 7 district meeting will be held at the JCOC Clubhouse downstairs beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 23rd. A light lunch will be provided. JCOC is a member of Region 7. The meetings are informative and a chance to meet members of other area outdoor clubs.

S3DA Bake Sale a Success

During the recent ASA Indoor Qualifiers on January 11 & 12, 2025 the JCOC Youth Archery Team held bake sales on both dates in the upper level of the Clubhouse. Their first sale of the year was a success with the kids raising \$313. Thanks to all that donated to the event—they had a great selection of bake goods!!



Indoor Archery

WINTER LEAGUES

1/8/25-3/12/25

Wednesdays—Indoor Spot League—6:30 p.m.

\$3.00 per week-Member

\$5.00 per week—Non-Member

Upper Level at the JCOC Clubhouse



1/9/25-3/13/25

Thursdays—Animal League—6:30 p.m.

\$5.00 per week—Member

\$7:00 per week—Non-Member

Upper Level at the JCOC Clubhouse

ASA INDOOR QUALIFIERS

March 1 & 2, 2025, 3550 Hart Road, Jackson

Call or Text Max @ 386.547.3369; Tammy @ 517.945.4815 for more information.



Indoor Sunday Youth Archery League

The Youth Archery League is now being held on Sunday's and runs through Sunday, March 9th. Classes are limited to 12 shooters per class:

1:00 p.m.—Beginner Class with basic fundamentals

2:30 p.m.—Intermediate Class

4:00 p.m.—Advanced Class

These classes are provided at no charge and are held in the Upper Level at the JCOC Clubhouse. Please RSVP to Max at 386.547.3369 or Jason at 517.749.0525.



Dahlem's Annual Chocolate Sensations Fundraiser Friday 2/21/25

You're invited to a whimsical night of magic and wonder. Enjoy local chocolate delicacies, hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, live music, raffles, silent auction, and more!

Reservations: \$60 – Individual; \$110 – Two; \$440 – Table of Eight

For reservations visit: https://www.dahlemcenter.org/event/chocolate-sensations-2025/

Membership Application For 2025

The new membership renewal/new member application for 2025 is located on page 5 of this newsletter. Please fill out and mail with payment to the Club P.O. Box. Renewing members may renew online and pay with credit card or PayPal by using the website. If you renew using PayPal you "will receive" a Google document you "MUST" complete and return before you will receive your new membership card.

RATES: Individual/Family is \$180; Senior (age 62+) Individual/Family is \$100. 2024 Work tickets expired on 1/31/2025.

Spring is Coming!

The Home Builders Association of Jackson, Michigan, is thrilled to invite you to our 49th annual Home & Garden Show, taking place February 21-23, 2025, at the American 1 Event Center. This year, we'll transform over 30,000 square feet of event space into a vibrant Spring Home & Garden showcase, and we hope you'll join us. We look forward to welcoming you to the 2025 Jackson Home & Garden Show, proudly presented by Consumers Energy!



For Sale!! We still have some used heavy duty (and we mean heavy) 6' and 8' tables used for JCOC clubhouse rentals. We are in the process of replacing these tables with new plastic ones that are easier to setup and take down. Either size is being sold for only \$10 each. For more information contact Max McFeters after 4:30 p.m. (Monday through Friday) at 386.547.3369. These will be available on a first come, first served basis!



ATTENTION MEMBERS:

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. Also remember to have your membership card with you when you are on JCOC property. This is for safety purposes!!

A reminder that the speed limit is 15 mph on the entrance and exit roads to JCOC. This is a private drive which we share with several other neighbors. Kids and pets (along with assorted wildlife including deer and turkeys!) may be present so please be aware, slow down, and please use caution. Thank you!!

A reminder that access to the outdoor shooting ranges is from sunrise to sunset, except for Sunday's, access is at noon.



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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 a written application.

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