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News from the President

March is roaring, coming soon! Ides of March basketball, St. Paddy's Day and end of the small game season. 2025-6 license is good for the remainder of this month. Time to look at your hunting plan and start reaching for the new license set(s) for 2026-7 season. Contact the DNR at 517-284-9453, should you have questions or concerns. Be safe!!

call in your RSVP or send a message to our e-mail or leave an RSVP on our FB/Messenger. Bring your taste buds and loving family! This is for you and Mom, Grandma, sisters, aunts, daughters, granddaughters, too. Come celebrate and share the time with your loved ones and friends!! 9:00 am is a good time to start breakfast brunch. RSVP!!

In the meantime, take time to bring your small game rifles and pistols to blow some of the extra winter out!! Spring is on its way!! Archers are inside through March but are ready and willing to enjoy the outdoors as the weather calls.

250 years ago this month, George Washington received the first Continental Congress Metal of Military Honor on March 2, 1776. His strong and aggressive actions and drive for his military members continued bombarding Boston to rid them of the British military. He was successful on the 17th of March 1776, as the British started fleeing Boston for safe harbor back toward the north and in waters approaching Canada. They had been the scourge of an 11-month siege; it was time for them to leave!! While Washington was taking care of Boston, Commodore E. Hopkins, Naval Fleet Officer, was taking over and occupying Nassau. This was a major stronghold and storage location, and his tremendous contribution was removing the foreign ammo supplies to support our strategic military plans. Thank you to our FIRST president and his Commodore Hopkins for a very worthy March 1776. Lastly, Abigail Adams, wife of our 2nd President made statement to him to

Hunters' Safety Training is a one-day event on the 11th of April. All classwork is online for the event this year. 50 seats available!! Testing and field days for both firearm and archery on that Saturday. Contact Max McFeters with questions or concerns (386-547-3369)

Archers had a great turnout for the event on the 14th and 15th of February with 47 participants. We had a couple members finish third.

Mothers' Day (5-10-26) is just about ready for your reservation to enjoy a terrific spread for your brunch delight. The JCOC President and his tremendous cooking staff are looking for you to come and enjoy our service and tasty servings. Contact Mark on 517-581-5615, text or



March 17th—Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Upcoming Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- March 3, 2026 Membership & Board Mtgs—7PM
- April 7, 2026 Membership & Board Mtgs—7PM
- May 5, 2026 Membership & Board Mtgs—7PM

CONTACTING THE CLUB:

ALL CORRESPONDENCE INCLUDING MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO:

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

JCOC

2026 Board of Directors

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From the President continued...

“Remember the Ladies” in the new code of laws. Happy Spring! March 20 at 10:46 a.m.

Have a terrific March 2026!

Respectfully submitting,
Mark D. Baldwin – President JCOC

Membership & Board Meeting Notes

The February Membership and Board meeting were held at the clubhouse on Tuesday, February 3rd, with 23 members present. The following actions were discussed and/or taken:

- Ten new members were present and approved.
- January rental income totaled \$1,300.
- The ASA January 10th & 11th archery shoot held at JCOC had 47 shooters. The event grossed \$1,110 with a net of \$670. The youth archery bake sale held that weekend grossed \$262.
- Membership stands at 190 with 56 family, 70 individuals and 6 new families.
- \$50 was approved for March 6th game night scheduled for youth workers. Donation of youth appropriate games are being sought.
- Youth work activity in January registered 27 hours between 7 kids.
- Modular rental repairs came in at around \$700. The house will be ready for rental soon.
- Up to \$15,000 was authorized for a new replacement well, fresh water PVC lines into the building, new electric and new water pressure tank. The club has been dealing with on and off water issues since the well was struck by lightning in August of 2023. A variety of updates and changes have been made to no avail of relieving water testing issues.
- \$431.94 was authorized for 3 Genesis mini bows along with 3 finger savers for the Sunday youth archery program.
- The second floor shutoff valve in the bathroom is leaking and will need repair.
- A Dutch door is being recommended for the second floor entrance into the main room to allow for parents to watch youth archers along with providing a safety barrier.



Membership renewals are past due. This will be your last newsletter if you have not renewed your JCOC membership for 2026! Locks will be returning to the range gate and lake access gate with NEW combinations around March 1st. Remember to please allow at least 2 weeks or more for renewal to be processed, we are all volunteers. A reminder that 2025 Work tickets expired on 1/31/2026.

Youth Archery State Championship at MSU Demmer Shooting Sports & Education Center



JCOOC had 5 of our kids shoot in the state championship at the MSU Demmer Center on 2/14/2026.

Anna Krawczynski came in at 3rd in the youth open girls with 140 and 8 xs; Jacob Every came in at 3rd in the youth open boys with 140 and 10 xs. Cassidy VanWagner had 104 and Ryan Dorsett had 130.

Carter Gorney shot a perfect round with 150 and 17 xs and joined the 150 Club!!

Congrats to all!

Michigan Birding 101

Join Michigan Sea Grant and explore this wonderful hobby

- 2026 Spring sessions: March 17, 19, 24, & 26
- 7 - 8 pm ET
- FUN virtual classes for beginning birders
- Free and open to all

Registration: bit.ly/MIBIRDS26

Explore the wonderful hobby of birding in fun online classes!

Topics include everything a new bird-watcher should know:

Schedule:

March 17 - Introduction to Birding and Equipment

March 19 - Backyard Birding and Feeding

March 24 - Conserve the Birds: Birding Ethics and Backyard Habitats

March 26 - Birding in Michigan: Where to Go and What to See

COST: FREE

This is a great opportunity for those new to the hobby or looking to get started!



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March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Indoor Sunday Youth Archery	2	3 JCOC Membership & Board Mtg 7PM	4	5	6 JCOC Youth Game Night Upper Hall	7
8 Indoor Sunday Youth Archery	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Indoor Sunday Youth Archery	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18	19	20  1st Day of spring!	21 Lower Hall Rental
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

SPEED LIMIT IS 15 MILES PER HOUR!! Ours is a private drive which we share with several other neighbors. Kids and pets (also assorted wildlife including deer and turkeys!) may be present so please be aware, slow down, and please use caution. Thank you!!



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Jackson County Outdoor Club Membership Application
 "New" or "Renewal" or "Pro-Rated"

NEW (New members must appear at a JCOC Board Meeting for approval prior to receiving membership card)

RENEWAL (Can renew online at JCOC web page with cc/PayPal or by submitting written application via P.O. Box see below)

New Member Rates: _____ Individual/Family (age less than 62) =\$180; _____ Senior Individual/Family (age 62+) =\$100

Renewal Member Rates: _____ Individual/Family (age less than 62) =\$180; _____ Deduct \$5 for each work ticket earned up to 15 tickets=\$105; _____ Senior Individual/Family (age 62+) =\$100; _____ Deduct \$5 for each work ticket earned up to 4 tickets=\$80. NOTE: If claiming work tickets write in number claiming. JCOC Membership Director will verify. Do not mail in tickets received. Work tickets **must be used by January 31st** when renewing.

Pro-Rated Member Rates: From **September 1st** to **December 31st** dues are reduced for the remainder of the calendar year:
 _____ Individual/Family (age less than 62) =\$100; _____ Senior Individual/Family (age 62+) =\$70

Please Print Legibly. New and Renewal Memberships are valid from January 1st to December 31st.

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: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____

Spouse's Name (If Family Membership) First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Dependents Names and Birthdates: MUST BE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 AT TIME OF APPLICATION.

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Vehicle License Plate # 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Trailer License Plate # 1. _____ 2. _____

Mail completed form to: JACKSON COUNTY OUTDOOR CLUB, P.O. BOX 1708, JACKSON, MI 49204-1708. Please make check payable to **JCOC** or visit JCOC web page to pay with PayPal (<https://jacksoncountyoutdoorclub.com/index.asp>)

I/We are interested in the following activities, please indicate (U) use or (H) for help.

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Education U or H	Hunter Safety U or H	Kitchen U or H	Newsletter U or H
Pistol/Rifle Ranges U or H	Trap Ranges U or H	Youth Archery U or H	

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