## November/December

# 2019



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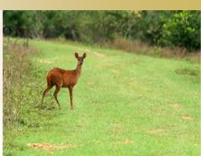
#### Next Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- Nov 5 2019 7PM General Membership.
- Board meetings Nov 5, 2019

## Jackson County Outdoor Club News







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# News from the President

### From the President:

Well another year will soon be ending. Your club accomplished some very good things this year. The roads were graveled, graded, and made passable. There were a number of volunteers for mowing which made the task easier for all. Thank you. Your club hosted two ASA archery shoots and a youth indoor archery program was well attended. Our trap program had the best attendance in many years, averaging about twenty shooters per week. The modular home had new windows, which were really needed, installed. The old greenhouse behind the modular was demolished and the debris removed. Overall the club had accomplished much and we spent a lot of money. That is ok; we spend all income on the club.

On the agenda for next year, noting we hope to keep expenditures to a minimum in 2020. The past several years we have spent almost all of our yearly income. The following is planned for 2020: the ingress and egress roads will have gravel added, be graded and compacted this year., the lower parking lot will have gravel added, be

graded and compacted, and the main entrance doors to the downstairs will be upgraded. The board intends to keep all spending in 2020 to a minimum and only spend on absolutely necessary things.

On the issue of money, the board and membership will vote in November, whether, or not, to: increase membership dues ten dollars (\$10.00) for "all" membership categories. The club has not increased dues for many years, but believe it necessary due to the increased cost of hired maintenance and labor. The cost of boat stickers for non-club members to launch their watercraft may be increased from twenty dollars (\$20) to twenty-five (\$25) for the first watercraft. Additional watercraft will remain at the ten dollar (\$10) rate. The rental rate for the upper hall for nonmembers may be increased by fifty dollars (\$50) to two hundred dollars. These increases are minimal, but absolutely necessary. Please attend the November 5th membership meeting. Your vote counts and is very much needed.

Officers and directors will be elected at the November meeting also. Nominees are: Archery Director Norm Zakrzewski; Membership and Sunshine Director Judy Speed; Conservation and Waterfront Jim Moore; there were not any nominees for Vice President.

We will also be voting on a "few" changes to our Constitution and Bylaws. They were presented to the membership and board in October and will be reviewed before the votes are taken.

Finally, our Annual Night party will be on December 7th this year. You will be receiving your invitation and reservation in the mail soon. We are raffling off a Remington combo shotgun. You must be present to buy a ticket and win. Also, the money in the membership drawing will be given to some lucky club member, you must be at the event to win if your name is drawn for the \$263.00. Dinner will be catered by Grady's again this year. The same menu as last year, same cost as last year \$12.50 per person. Entrees are Bourbon Glazed Chicken and Beef Brisket, you get both if you so choose. Please join us for an evening of fun, good food, and prizes.

President Richard Alan Griggs



Archery
leagues See
flyer in events
or Call Jim
Moore or Norm
Zakrzewski at
567-202-3260
for more
information.

# Kitchen and Rentals

## KITCHEN:

Attendance was way down the first part of October and we were considering shutting down. Richard posted our situation online and we had 25 for breakfast on the 20th! We will continue on Sunday's thru November 24, close down for the holidays, evaluate the previous year and consider reopening on Sunday March 1st. If interesting in keeping this club fund raiser alive, please give me a call at home 517-764-2352 or email at <a href="mailto:davidwil12@comcast.net">davidwil12@comcast.net</a> (cooks needed).

RENTALS: Even though rentals have been pretty steady this year, we are down about 10 rentals compared to last year. Remember club members get a discount and WORKING members get a HUGE discount on the rental prices.

### CARDS:

If you are interesting in playing cards on Saturday evenings, give me a call or email at the number above Dave Wilson, Director Kitchen and Rentals

# Property Rentals

As you all may know we have two properties that are managed by **the** club. This allows the club to

generate revenue during the slow/winter months. As property manager I will be looking for a few volunteers this **SUMMEr** to help with projects

Thank You Property Manager Timothy Adams

# **Archery**

We had another great year of shoots this year with the state ASA shoot this time .well over 225 shooters . We will know by 1st of the year when and which ASA shoot we might host next year Archery members please renew this year so you can shoot in leagues that will be posted on Facebook

Thank you to all the Archers for making a Great year!!

Which will include new range shooting lanes, new plugs for the existing targets and cleared lanes for you to practice on Check Facebook for Night league times. check with face book or Jacksons countyoutdoorclub.com for times For any information

contact Jim Moore at

517-358-6926



Archery Indoor shoots start
Call Jim Moore or Norm
Zakrzewski at 567-202-3260 for more information.

# Ranges

#### Ranges

The pistol range is in good shape as of 10-28. The target wire will be changed in the next week before Deer season on both ranges. A reminder that NO Center fire rifles or shotguns are allowed on the pistol range. 7.62 X 39 and 12 Ga spent casings have been found on the the ground and in the trash on the pistol range. Center fire rifles and shotguns may

be used on the rifle range. A reminder to Please pick up your brass and place it in the yellow buckets provided by the club. A new lock has been put on the gate and the combination is the same. The fascia on the road side of the pistol range will be replaced in the next week. If you have any suggestion on improving the ranges put it in writing and submit it to the Range Director and President.

## Trap Range, 2019

Trap has ended for the year but next year would be a great year to start. If you have never shot we are willing to help, and you can shoot a few birds to see if you like shooting. Remember Trap starts the 1st week in April 2020.

Sight in from Dawn Till Dusk We have had some late night shooting ,So No shooting after SUNSET

80 different shooters came out this year with great shooting from them

Trap directors Dave Styx and Richard Griggs.

# 5 Building Grounds and waterfront

Building , Grounds & Waterfront

Well 2019 Mowing season is over. Thank you to Dave Teriaco for maintaining the fuel and trimming It was very productive as we had several volunteers Dave T, Karen W, Dave S and Craig P who helped weekly or when they could, THANK YOU Always need more help

Weed whipping at ranges also need tree trimming at roads. Anything is helpful around the main building. We have completed several projects for the year, which can be a challenge without help.

A winter work week-end is being planned January after season ends

Painting, ground work, raking leaves, cutting overhanging trees.

Carpentry work is also helpful, repairing decks and rails, Chainsaw experience or weed whip all areas.

Please contact any of the

board members to let us know who will be able to help again monthly.

Remember each hour you work gives you work tickets to reduce your next years membership 15 tickets will reduce your cost in half. If you need any answers call the club and leave message. Thank you Tim Adams (517) 581-4562

Building Grounds and Waterfront Director

# Memberships

Membership report for this year is great 291 memberships so far, with over 426 members

Total memberships are strong Remember Renewals paper work will be sent after Dec 1,2019 and due no later than Jan 31,2020

If you need applications the website has them for you to print out. If you have pictures send them to me At Dvstyx@yahoo.com Or contact me at 517 795 1008 Thank you Dave Styx

As shooting areas become less available each year, invite friends to visit club for shooting/fishing, just a thought to involve them in club





# News Letter & Social Media

Trap starts at 5 PM.
Rain or Shine

Check out our Facebook page for up coming activities Including work days, shoots at the Trap, Pistol and Rifle Ranges and the Archery Range.

Activities for the winter

Indoor Archery Sunday time TBA as well as league nights for adult Archery

Always check for range closures

If you would share pictures from activities you like, Shooting, Boating or camping Take picture.

Take a picture email it to me dvstyx@yahoo.com. Director Dave Styx 517-795-1008 contact

Web site is

Jacksoncountyoutdooclub.com Hello Club Members:

First, I would like to say thank you for being a member of JCOC. We have a great sportsman club and the credit for success goes to each of you for your participation. We would like for you to participate if possible

We have many structures on the 90+ acre site and when something breaks or something need remodeling, it is expensive. The club directors have set aside a reserve for such contingencies. We are a 'working member' club and always looking for volunteers to serve. Positions are open on the Board of Directors. Additionally, it is the club members who cut the grass, trim the trees, paint and handle most of the routine maintenance. If you would like to help, please contact Richard Griggs or Dave Styx. 517-795-1008

We are also interested in your comments in terms of areas of improvement. If you see an opportunity to improve the club let us know.



Start April 2020 call today to see when Class is available to sign up

# Conservation and Safety

April saw 24 students go through Hunter Safety. Thanks to Dave T. Dave S. and Richard.

The class is run on Wednesday and Thursday night, with hands on instruction at the trap range and pistol range on Saturday morning.

We have hands on classroom training along with videos, and of course the booklet that all students received when they signed up.

Reminder, this it is the time of year for Deer to be starting to move with Archery opening day being October 1st.

The Hunter Safety Class will be from 5 till 9 pm is the standard times, With outdoor day Saturday from 8am-12 noon, which is



hands on training and shooting. All training will be upstairs at club house.

Check web site for future dates

Just a reminder If you are interested in State of Michigan Bow certification we can have it with your Hunter Safety class certification.

Great for the youth hunter to get experience

Remember to never leave debris of any kind at any while Hunting or fishing in an outdoor activity The Michigan United Conservation Club has activities like "hands on the Ground" look at their website for dates this winter

If you have activities or questions contact Norm

Director of Conservation

At 567-202-3260

Just call at a reasonable time Please

## Jackson County Outdoor Club News

Contacting the Club: all correspondence to the Club must be mailed to:

**JCOC** 

PO Box 1708

Jackson, MI 49204

Web site: www.jacksoncountyoutdoorclub.com





The speed limit is 15 mph on entrance and exit roads to JCOC. These are private drives. Please slow down and be a good neighbor.

You can become a Sponsor and help support the club. If you have a business that you'd like to promote, please send me a business card with a check made payable to the club for \$60.00 We will advertise your business here and will post it to the club Web site also. We begin a new year with the May Newsletter.

Dave Styx: P.O. box 1708. Jackson, 49204



