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Upcoming Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- September 5, 2023 Membership & Board Meetings
- October 3, 2023 Membership & Board Meetings
- November 7, 2023 Membership (Board Elections!) & Board Meetings

News from the President

October is here and leaves are already falling from some species. October 1st is the opening day of bow deer season. Be safe and good luck.

Your club had to replace the deep well pump and have the well sanitized "twice" at a cost of over three thousand dollars. Hopefully, the second sanitation will permit a negative for coliform test from the Health Department, sample has not been taken in at this writing. The rental trailer had the old non-functioning and dilapidated windows replaced at a cost of over three thousand dollars. Your membership dollars at work. Keeping your club operating properly is a costly venture.

Trap shooting continues through October 25th, join us for some shooting fun. The 3D archery league has ended. The ranges and lake access are still being used with good catches of panfish reported. If you use the ranges, you "MUST" sign in/out at the main gate. Infraction of this rule could result in loss of membership. Shooters check the sign in sheet to see if someone is using the ranges. If so, they may choose to return at a different time. Please be courteous and sign in/out as the rules require.

At the October third membership meeting nominations for the following positions will be accepted: Vice

President, Financial Secretary, Archery Director, Newsletter/Social Media Director, Membership/Sunshine Director, and Conservation/Waterfront Director. There MUST BE a quorum of at least twenty members present to hold the nominations. Please attend if possible. The meeting usually is less than one hour in length. Consider running or nominating someone for a position. Elections will be held at the November 7th membership meeting.

Annual Night for 2023 will be December 2nd, you will receive a reservation form to complete and mail in with payment. Davis Catering will provide the food and as always, an in-house gun raffle will be held along with drawings for other prizes. Please do not forget the dessert contest, bring a dessert of your choice for judging/eating. The door opens at six o'clock, cocktails from six to seven, dinner will be served at seven o'clock. Please attend, we will have lots of fun.

As always, our website at www.jacksoncountyoutdoorclub.com is kept current, and our Facebook page is updated frequently. You may message your club at jacksoncountyoutdoorclub3550@gmail.com.

Enjoy the remaining beautiful fall days, my personal favorite season.

Richard Alan Griggs, President

CONTACTING THE CLUB:

ALL CORRESPONDENCE INCLUDING MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO:

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

JCOC

2023 Board of Directors

- Richard Griggs, President
- Norm Zakrzewski, V.P.
- Judy Speed, Treasurer
- Alex Moske, Secretary
- Max McFeters, Archery
- Chuck Drevitch, Conservation & Waterfront
- Vacant, 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 September Membership meeting was cancelled due to a lack of quorum. The Board meeting was held at the clubhouse on Tuesday, September 5th with 13 members present. The following actions were discussed and/or taken:



- 2 new members were introduced and approved.
- \$233 was authorized for mowing equipment maintenance.
- The McKibben Shoot had 36 shooters and raised \$490 for youth hunting licenses.
- A new microwave for the Clubhouse kitchen was purchased at the cost of \$190.78.
- The ranges saw 72 uses in September. Up to \$75 was authorized to replace one of the dingers on the range.
- Membership sits at 367 adult members.
- \$50 was authorized to reimburse Alex Moske for purchase of railroad ties to create steps near the trap houses.
- Tracks magazine was authorized for two classes at Napoleon Schools.
- 16 Boards were replaced on the upped level deck. Next year the deck will be painted.
- Stones have been placed in the dock ramp area. Ducks have returned & the dock area will be sprayed again.
- \$2016 was authorized for additional trap birds for the season.
- \$2016 was authorized for well pump installation.
- \$151 was authorized for electrical repair at Clubhouse.
- \$100 was authorized for a pressure switch replacement.
- A nominating committee was appointed for the November elections consisting of Dave Styx, Richard Griggs and Chuck Drevitch.

Upcoming JCOC Board Elections

At the November 7th General Membership meeting elections will be held for the following positions:

Officers:

Vice President:
Financial Director:

Incumbent

None
Judy Speed

Directors:

Archery Director:
Conservation/Waterfront Director:
Grounds & Equipment (1 year-vacant):
Membership/Sunshine Director:
Newsletter/Social Media Director:

Max McFeters
Chuck Drevitch
None
Tammy McFeters
Karen Wilson



These positions are for two years with the exception of Grounds & Equipment. Directors description of positions are available on Jacksoncountyoutdoorclub.com. A nominating committee was established at September's meeting and will assemble a slate of candidates for presentation at the October General Membership meeting. A quorum of 20 members will need to be present for elections in November. Contact Dave Styx at 517.795.1008 for more information or if you are interested.

October Happenings at JCOC

Trap shooting is ongoing on Wednesday evenings beginning at 5:00 p.m. through October 25th. Charges are \$5 for all adults and \$4 for youths under age 18 for a round consisting of 25 clay pigeons. Shells are not included or sold at the club.

JCOC Annual Night, December 2, 2023

Mark your calendars now for JCOC's Annual Night! 2024-2025 Officers and Board members will be sworn in during this evening, dinner is catered at cost, work ticket drawings, 50/50 & gift baskets raffles, and the usual firearm raffle (TBD) and finally door prize drawings galore!!! A great time to meet members! Watch your email or snail mail for more information!



Got Young Kids, Grandkids, Nieces or Nephews?

TRACKS highlights a different Michigan animal each month and is loaded with information about habitats, ecology, ecosystems and conservation. Aside from all of this great information about animals, there is also a poster of the featured animal.



TRACKS Magazine features 16 full-color pages of science-based Great Lakes concepts. They publish eight issues during the school year from October through May.

TRACKS is written for 4th-6th grade learners, but there are animal facts, information and pictures that will connect with all age groups. For just \$20 you can have 8-issues of this fantastic youth-focused wildlife magazine delivered directly to your house! For information visit: <https://mucc.org/tracks-magazine/>



Ella Sharp Museum Fall Harvest Festival
3225 4th St, Jackson, MI. Join the festivities!
Price: Free Admission to Farm Lane!




Jackson County Animal Shelter is hosting a Trunk or Treat at their location at 3370 Spring Arbor Rd., Jackson, MI. It will take place on Saturday, October 21, from 5-7 pm. There will be a Trunk or Treat with candy, straw maze and other fall activities! Come join the fun!



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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!