### September 2024 Jackson County Outdoor Club News









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Upcoming Jackson County Outdoor Club Meetings:

- September 3, 2024
   Membership & Board
   Meetings 7:00 PM
- October 1, 2024
   Membership & Board
   Meetings 7:00 PM
- November 5, 2024
   Membership & Board
   Meetings-ELECTIONS
   7:00 PM

# News from the President

September has arrived and Labor Day the second of September is the last official holiday of summer. Most children are back in school and life as a routine returns. I am still mowing, my weekly therapy, but not as often. Trimmed a lot of trees/brush and mowed my walking trails. My summer has been fun, if you count a lot of work as fun. Enjoy Labor Day with your family.

Regular monthly membership meetings resume in September on the third at 7 PM. Mark Baldwin, with the help of others, has our clubhouse in good condition. Like a home, the small jobs have no ending. Mark is retired and Mark's dedication to our club is much appreciated. Dave Styx and Cory Burns have the grounds looking great. The guys need help with mowing on Wednesday mornings. If you can mow on occasion, please show up at the pole barn on Wednesday mornings at 8AM. You are not committed to mowing each week, only the days you choose. You receive one work ticket for each hour worked. The ticket is good for five dollars off "next" years membership. Discounted memberships are limited to a maximum of seventy-five dollars for a regular/family membership and twenty dollars for a senior/family membership, a good deal for certain. The club has two zero turn mowers and one riding mower. If you enjoy mowing as I do, come out and join the gang. If volunteer participation does not improve, a "mandatory" work program may be instituted.

Some changes are coming in 2025. Membership dues are being increased slightly. There will be one category

Individual/Family for those under age sixtv-two at a cost of one-hundredeighty (\$180.00) dollars without any work tickets. The second category will be Senior/Family for those sixty-two or greater at a cost of one-hundreddollars without any work tickets. Remember the Individual/Family can be reduced up to seventy-five dollars, and the Senior/Family can be reduced up to twenty dollars, if you earn the maximum work tickets. Both new membership prices include you, spouse or significant other, and your children under eighteen living in your household. Also, beginning January first 2025, if you lose or misplace your membership card and request a replacement there will be a ten dollar charge in advance of receiving the duplicate card. If you are renewing for the 2025 membership year, please do not renew your membership until after October 1st 2024 and make certain the application has "Revised 01-01-2025 Dues Increase" on the very top of the application or your membership will NOT be renewed. For those renewing with Pay-Pal and a credit card, PayPal data is being updated and you may renew AF-TER the first of October at the new 2025 increased dues rate. JCOC is requesting you provide vehicle and trailer license plate numbers so the club can identify who is accessing club facilities. If you change plates during 2025 please be certain and fill out a new application for 2026. Members renewing by PayPal will need to fill out paperwork provided by our Membership director.

Paul Rice, a volunteer non-club member cleared the brush in front of the number one trap. Paul did an excelCONTACTING THE CLUB:

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

### JCOC 2024 Board of Directors

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Mark Baldwin, Rental Property Mgmt. & Clubhouse

# From the President continued...

lent job, thank you. The trees which were too large for Paul's equipment to remove are being cut and the wood taken. The grounds crew will transport the remaining treetops/brush to the burning area for burning. The club has a volunteer "Will" who will grind the small stumps at no charge to our club, thanks Will. The mowing crew will keep the area mowed so the brush does not return. A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who has and will participate in this project.

Trap shooting continues through October 30th at 5PM. There will be a fishing contest on September 14th, 2025. The contest is for members and their guests only. Entry fee is \$20 per boat, check in time is 6AM with the tournament beginning at 7AM. The tournament ends at 12 noon. Check the club website or Facebook page for a three-page .pdf with additional rules/information. Call Chuck at 786-423-4533 with questions. Hunting begins in September for many species. There have been significant rule changes by the DNR so check the DNR site for specifics. Good Luck in your hunting/fishing endeavors.

Richard Alan Griggs, President

# **Board Meeting Notes**

The August Board meeting was held at the clubhouse on Tuesday, August 6th with 20 members present. The following actions were discussed and/or taken:



- 1 new member was approved.
- Trap turned in over \$708 for the month of July.
- Since January 2024, 33 members have donated 1859 working hours!!
- JCOC property taxes have increased 14.8% in the past four years.
- \$850 was turned in for club house rentals.
- Membership sits at 231 paid memberships with a total of 344 adult members.
- Boat stickers purchased to date total \$2,125.
- Range directors will be discussing if a refresher course should be instituted and will bring their recommendation back to the Board.
- Waterfront has been charged with looking into safety equipment for the boat launch and additional lighting for the boat launch gate.
- A \$10 lost card replacement fee was authorized by the Board beginning in 2025.

# Last Summer Clean-Up Day Scheduled!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 14th at 8:00 a.m.

At the August Saturday work day, Corey Burns, Doug Foust, Jim Hawley, Chris Hawley, Rob Hawley, Rick Saltzgaber, Glen Spenser and Dave Styx accomplished cleaning the barn storage areas and floors from years of use. Looking at fall cleanup at the September 14th work day with a 8:00 a.m. start, should complete no later than 12 noon, Questions? Call 517.795.1008 for Dave Styx.

Dave Styx recently cleaned out an area of his own garage and found a pile of roofing shingles. That got him thinking that other members may have roofing supplies lying around and not being used. We could use those shingles and other supplies to reduce the cost of the repair to the roof at the pistol range. Have roofing shingles or supplies? Give Dave Styx at call at 517.795.1008. Thanks!

Summer mowing is coming to a close, but one more person is needed to help! Members meet at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesdays!

# Anna's Archery

My name is Marianna and I am 13 years old. I started archery this year, because of the free youth archery program the club hosted. I have learned a lot of skills like teamwork and good sportsmanship. This helped me so much with school, like helping with my focus and other stuff like that. I have met so many amazing people through archery. I have learned to take feedback from adults, Like Max and Corey. Also I have shot with adults through ASA.

I'm in both the S3DA and ASA, different archery programs. S3DA is strictly for 17 and under. This year I went to S3DA National, it was so fun for me. There was so many people who were really amazing archers. I was really happy to meet all of them this year. I placed 26th out of the 43 who completed the course. I qualified for ASA States and brought home both the "Shooter of the Year" and "State Champion" belt buckles. BIG bragging rites for me. What I would tell others joining archery: Do the best you can (it's not all about winning), have FUN, be the person you want to shoot with and PRACTICE; we can tell if you don't.





Deer Hunting Regulation Changes: What you need to know for 2024

On July 11, 2024, the Michigan Natural Resources Commission approved the scheduled deer hunting regulations for this fall. The full package of regulations includes updates that won't begin until after the 2024 seasons have ended; those updates will be explained at a later date. The commissioners and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources thank everyone who gave their time, insight and feedback to the work of the DNR's Deer Management Initiative, which contributed to many of these regulation changes and decisions. The following updates apply to the fall 2024 deer hunting seasons. (For ease of reading, the acronym DMU is used throughout for deer management unit.)

#### **Upper Peninsula**

- A 3-point antler point restriction, or APR, was implemented on the single deer license in DMU 122.
- In the western central part of the Upper Peninsula, in DMU 352 when using a universal antlerless deer license, it is required to also have an antlerless deer hunting access permit. The eastern central part of the U.P., DMU 351, is closed to antlerless hunting with a universal antlerless deer license in 2024. DMU 352 is made up of DMUs 027, 036, 152 and 252. DMU 351 includes DMUs 017, 021, 117, 149, 249 and 349. See the online deer management units map for locations of all DMUs.
- 500 access permits will be available in DMU 352. The application period is July 15-Aug. 15.
- For each deer harvested, you will need one antlerless deer hunting access permit for the DMU you're hunting in, plus one universal antlerless deer license.

Antlerless deer can be taken in DMUs 017, 021, 027, 036, 117, 149, 152, 249, 252 and 349 during archery season on the single deer license or the combination deer license until Dec. 10, 2024.

#### **Lower Peninsula**

#### **Extended archery season**

• Archery season is extended through Jan. 31, 2025, for select counties: Huron, Kent, Lapeer, Macomb, Oakland, Sanilac, St. Clair (except DMU 174), Tuscola, Washtenaw and Wayne.

#### Legal firearm expansion – Zone 2 muzzle loading season

• If you are hunting deer during the muzzle loading deer season in the Lower Peninsula,

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## **Jackson County Outdoor Club**

## Fishing Tournament — September 14, 2024

### General Rules

- Tournament entry fee is \$20.00 per boat, fishing as a team or single. Prize for total weight will be gift cards and big bass will be a cash prize.
- Tournament check-in will begin at approximately 6:00 AM and tournament take off will be at approximately 7:00 AM.
- The winner of the tournament is determined by the heaviest weight of 5 fish or less. In the event of a tie in total weight, big bass weight will be used to break the tie and total weight will be the tiebreaker for a big bass tie.
- One member of each team must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid driver license. All anglers must have a valid Michigan fishing license, complete and sign a registration form and pay the entry fees.
- Only one rod and reel may be used by an angler at a time. Rod must be less than 10ft in length. Anglers can use only artificial baits, except for pork strips/chunks. Trolling is not allowed.
- In the unfortunate event the tournament is canceled all entry fees will be refunded
- All boats must be in on time at the end of the tournament even if the anglers are not weighing fish. Anglers must return by 12:00 PM.
- Any and all protest must be made within 10 minutes of the scales closing.

### Fish Weighing and Fish Care

- · All teams must use provided weigh in bags.
- Do not bring fish to the scales until the scales are called open.
- Fish o Teams are allowed a 5 fish limit of bass, largemouth or smallmouth, weather you are fishing as a team or a single.
- All fish must measure 14" or longer mouth closed. If you bring a bass under 14" to the scales, that fish and your largest bass will be culled from your limited.
- Teams are not allowed to weigh dead fish. Dead fish penalty is ¼ of a pound or 4 ounces. A dead fish cannot be weighed for big bass.
- Fish culling must be completed before returning to weigh in. No culling at the ramp or check-in area.
- If fishing as a single angler there can only be 5 fish in the live well at any time.
- · Only non-puncture culling tags may be used.

#### **Boat Operation and Off Limits**

- No boat may fish with 50 yards of a competitor's boat when anchored without permission from the competitor. An anchored boat is defined as, trolling motor out of water and anchor or shallow water anchors down in the water.
- All competitors must leave and return to tournament weigh in site by boat. If the boat breaks down during the tournament, one team member may return to weigh in another competitor's boat with the fish to be weighed. Anglers are not allowed to leave the boat during competition unless in case of emergency.

### **Sportsmanship and Safety**

- Anglers are required to practice a high level of sportsmanship, safety and courtesy toward others while participating in the tournament. Interpretation of a violation of the "spirit of sportsmanship" is at discretion of the tournament committee as is any penalty levied.
- All participants are required to refrain from the use of alcohol or illegal drugs while participating in the tournament. Violation of this rule can result in disqualification and forfeit of any entry fees.
- Any violation of Federal, State or Local laws can results in disqualification and forfeiture of any entry fees.



### JCOC Fishing Tournament — September 14, 2024 continued...

- Observance of no wake zones and/or speed limits as well as possessing any required safety equipment is the responsibility of the angler.
- Do not pass other competitors in a no wake zone.
- USCG approved life preservers and the boat's kill switch must be worn whenever operating with the combustion engine.
- The horsepower of the outboard must not exceed the boats bia rating. All boats must have the required Coast Guard safety equipment, functional kill switch and aerated live well.

## Deer Hunting Regulation Changes: What you need to know for 2024 continued...

you can use all legal firearms to take a deer. If you are hunting in the limited firearms deer zone, you must follow equipment requirements for that zone.

Early and late antierless firearm season expansion to public land

• Early and late antierless firearm seasons in open counties have been expanded to include public land in addition to private land. The early antierless firearm season runs Sept. 21-22, 2024, and the late antierless firearm season runs Dec. 16, 2024, through Jan. 1, 2025.

#### **New EXTENDED late antierless season**

• A new extended late antlerless firearm season is open Jan. 2-12, 2025, in Allegan, Barry, Bay, Calhoun, Clinton, Eaton, Genesee, Gratiot, Hillsdale, Ingham, Ionia, Isabella, Jackson, Kent, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Mecosta, Midland, Monroe, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oakland, Ottawa, Saginaw, St. Clair (excluding DMU 174), Shiawassee, Wayne and Washtenaw counties; DMU 311 (Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties); DMU 312 (Branch, Kalamazoo and St. Joseph counties); and DMU 332 (Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties).

A discounted antierless license for this extended season will be available for \$5 per license. Other clarifications

- Baiting regulations remain unchanged from 2023.
- Antler point restrictions, with the exception of DMU 122, remain unchanged from 2023.
- The combination license, with opportunity for two antlered deer, remains unchanged from 2023.

Early and late antierless season counties remain unchanged from 2023. Questions? If you still need information or assistance, learn more at Michigan.gov/Deer or contact the DNR Wildlife Division at 517-284-WILD (9453).











