

Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club

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Welcome to the January edition of the COSC newsletter.

A Note from the Club President - Ralph Batten

I want to thank my key players that made running the club this last year possible !

First, Jane and Gary Kandler for all the hard work they have put in doing our treasury and Jr. trap program, Jody Laclare (secretary), Dan and Kathy Ried for keeping the club house clean Ladies x 3 and CPL training, and Jim Ingison and Penny Batten for making membership run so smooth,

John Gambill for the gun show the Veterans shoot and sight in days! Duane and Sharon Whaley (Past Pres.) for cowboy action and adult trap and more. Keith W., Jerry S., Jean W., Bob T., and all of the board members/exe members. And a big thanks Wayne Walters for keeping the grounds looking so great!

Steve McGarry and Mark Richardson for archery, Lloyd Merchant for black powder, Jim Stewart and Robert/Mark O'Donnell and Steve Slee for their hard work and dedication to the Jr. High power program. Steve thank you very much for your help with the Veterans shoot as well!! Kathy and Mike Finn for that AWESOME camp dinner and scheduling, Sandy Enness for the newsletter and web site, Aaron Lopez for Facebook, Kirk Ginther for NRA recruiting, Dennis Dan for Hunter Education, along with everyone else that helped make the club function! I wish the new president and board members the best and hope they keep the club going in the right direction! Don't forget to come to the Annual Meeting (Jan 14th) and vote! You must have your badge with a 19 sticker showing 2019 Dues Paid to vote!

Ralph

COSC is a family-friendly gun and archery club in Dimondale, Michigan, promoting the safe and responsible use of firearms and archery activities in the Mid-Michigan area.

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Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club is always welcoming new members. Visit the [Join or Renew Your COSC Membership](#) page on the website for details on how to become a member.

MISSION

To promote the safe and responsible use of firearms and archery activities in the Mid-Michigan area.

COSC Pledge

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country, its air, soil, and materials, its forests, waters and wildlife.

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2019 Camp Dinner

Mark Your Calenda - March 23, 2019

Come on out for a great dinner! Raffles & Door Prizes!

I hope you will plan to attend the annual dinner and raffle event on Saturday, March 23rd, 2019. We will start the evening with a Social Hour beginning at 4:00 pm, serving Merindorf meats, cheese & crackers (BYOB). A delicious dinner will follow at 5:30. There will be rifle raffles, a 50/50 raffle, and \$1 and \$5 raffles as well.



Wild Game Donations are needed, and very much appreciated! You can contact me (Cathy Finn) by phone (517-974-6178) or by e-mail (cathylfinn@comcast.net) to set up a time to drop off your donation or simply bring it to our Monday night meeting on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month. You will receive a free ticket to the dinner for this donation.

Raffle Items: New or gently used Items are needed for the \$1 & \$5 raffles. These do not have to be "gun" related. All types of donations are welcome. Contact method is the same as mentioned above.

Rifle Donations: Do you have a rifle that you rarely/never use? Would you consider donating it to COSC for the camp dinner raffle?

Baked Goods Donations: We have had some delicious deserts prepared by members of our club over the last two years, so I am asking again this year for baked goods donations.

I am asking for a lot of donations...but we are keeping the price of the ticket for this event at \$15 per person (12 & under are free), while the cost of buying the groceries keeps rising. I really appreciate all your help in this effort to make a great day of fun and good eating!

Volunteers will be needed to serve the dinner (this gets you in free of charge) and help to clean up the club on Sunday morning beginning at 11am.

You can buy tickets (\$15) at the door, or ahead of time by mailing your check made out to COSC at 616 Waverly Rd, Dimondale, Michigan 48821. I will have tickets at each of the Monday night meetings aswell.

I hope to see you at the dinner!

Gun Raffle Prizes for Wild Game Dinner

We are looking for gun raffle prizes from the membership to help defray expenses this year. If you have a gun you would like to donate to the camp dinner raffle, please contact Duane Whaley at 517-646-1611. The camp dinner is March 23 this year so please all me as soon as you can. Thank you!



Happy New Year

42nd Annual Winter Gun Show

GUN SHOW

The Winter Gun Show will take place on Jan 6, 2019 at COSC Clubhouse from 9am to 3pm.

CAFNRA "Baby It's Cold Outside" but... Hot at The Demmer Center - Capitol Area Friends of The NRA Foundation

Location: MSU Demmer Shooting Sports, Education and Training Center 4830 E. Jolly Road, Lansing, MI

Fund "Fun" Raiser on January 20, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Cost is \$20 per shooting event. This is a chance for those in archery and firearms to have some good fun in the middle of January, while helping the Capital Area Friends of NRA raise funds for the clubs and organizations that promote the shooting sports (archery and firearms). So, come out and have fun.

Turkey Shoot 2019

We are having only **ONE BIG** turkey shoot in 2019.

The date is Saturday, April 13th and it starts at 11:00 am.

Sign-up for the shoot starts at 10:00 am and goes until 11:00 am.

For more info contact Duane at 517-646 -1611.



Gun Show Bake Sale for Jr & Ladies Trap

We need all of our good cooks to help us supply goodies for all who attend the Winter Gun Show. This is a way to help our Juniors and Ladies in our Summer Trap Program.



Please bring them early before the show or call Gary Kandler at 646-7973 or Keith Wright at 646-9179 and we can meet you at the club.

If possible place 2-3 cookies per sandwich bag. Brownies & rice crispie treats and all your favorite cookies are appreciated. Thanks for your support!

Why Pay Your 2019 Membership Dues

For the past three months, we have been encouraging members to pay their 2019 membership dues. Many thanks to all who have paid their dues for 2019.

To Vote: The election of club officers and board members will take place at the January 14, 2019 General Membership meeting. Members who wish to vote **MUST** present their club member ID showing payment of 2019 dues. This proof is in the form of the "19" sticker you received upon receipt of your dues payment. You should have attached that sticker to your membership card.

If you have not yet paid your 2019 dues and would like to vote in the election on January 14th, you may pay your 2019 dues at the January 14th meeting and vote in the election.

News & Access: If your dues payment is not received by January 20, 2019 - you will **NOT** receive future club newsletters beginning with the February 2019 edition (in production beginning Jan 20th) or access to club facilities until your 2019 dues are paid.

COSC and the Friends of the NRA

Hello Everyone,

I have now officially been a member of COSC for one year and how the time flies by. I want to tell you how much I really enjoy our club. We spend time promoting activities for youth and have a great group of people willing to dedicate their time to teach these youth the proper way to shoot. I joined a year ago after getting my CPL and wanting a place to refine and improve my shooting skills. I had driven past the sign that points to COSC so many times and never had any idea what it was about or cared. This last year, I not only found out what it was about but had the opportunity to enjoy the club, the ranges, gain more experience and get a chance to know some of our great members a little better.

Midway through this year, I volunteered to replace Keith Wright as the club's NRA recruiter. I took this as my first step in getting more involved with the club. Shortly after that, I learned about the Friends of the NRA and more specifically the Capital Area Friends of the NRA. I discovered that this group works hard throughout the year to raise money for places like COSC and other gun clubs.

The money raised is used to promote and support the cost of teaching our youth about the joys of Shooting and how to do so safely. Did you know that the Friends of the NRA donated a few thousand dollars in 2018 to support COSC so that we can continue to promote and educate our youth? I am now asking you to come join us at an upcoming LanCapAreaFNRA event and have fun too.



On January 20th, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the MSU Demmer Center, located at 4830 E. Jolly Rd, Lansing. We are having a fun day of shooting archery, air pistol/rifle and .22 rim fire pistol/rifle. Cost is just \$20.00 per shooting event. If you don't have one, you may rent a bow or firearm and buy

extra ammo at the Demmer Center, as needed. On top of that fun, we are going to have a couple of raffles and silent auction items you can bid on. Also, to quench your thirst, we will be selling hot or cold beverages and food. Come on out and support the Capital Area Friends of the NRA, and in reality, you will be helping to support the COSC and hunter education as well. I hope to see you there!

Kirk Ginther, COSC NRA Recruiter

Reloading Group

The dates are set for 2019 Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM on the following dates: Jan 12 Feb 9 March 9 April 13 & May 4 at the COSC Clubhouse.

Email or call for cartridge you want to tune to your Rifle, Carbine & Pistols. Chances are we'll have dies and all you'll need is your brass and bullet size you want. We'll take emails at: ReloadingGroupCOSC@gmail.com.

Reloading is free for all COSC members and guests to Reload, Chronograph and customize for your gun. There is an amazing difference to discover with the combined knowledge available on Saturday's at COSC.

I am especially looking forward to tuning the newer 6.5 Creedmoor, some 5.56, 9mm and .40 S&W. There is always interest in the more expensive 45-70 and .338 Lapua too.



Here's to a Great 2019 See you soon.

Roger, Martin & Dennis

NRA Membership Info

When joining or renewing your NRA membership you can do so through the COSC, and here's how:

Please send the following info:

Your name and mailing address

Your NRA Membership number (if renewing)

The NRA magazine you prefer (choose one):

American Rifleman American Hunter

1st Freedom Shooting Illustrated

along with a check for dues made payable to NRA

NRA Membership Dues:

1 Yr - \$30 3 Yr - \$85 5 Yr - \$100

mail to: Kirk Ginther, 737 Brenneman, Pottersville, MI 48876 (a receipt for dues will be mailed to you)

Have your friends, neighbors, co-workers or anyone renew or join through COSC and the club will get \$5 or \$10 commission.

Executive Officers All terms end 1/14/19

President	Ralph Batten	482-8169
1st Vice	Dan Reid	719-0416
2nd Vice	Keith Wright	646-9179
Secretary	Jody LaClear	243-6991
Treasurer	Jane Kandler	646-7973

Board Members

Term Ends

Past President/Sharon Whaley	646-1611	
Jerry Shihady	282-5097	1/14/19
Duane Whaley	646-1611	1/14/19
Penny Batten	482-8169	1/13/20
Bill Ames	282-8085	1/13/20
Jean Wank	646-6753	1/08/21
Bob Tyler	484-2020	1/08/21
John Gambill	646-0681	1/08/21

Communications/Social Media

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Club Contact Information

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There is NO CLUBHOUSE PHONE

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Steve McGarry 575-9511

Jr Archery

Tim Hodgman 643-1497

Falling Plates

Clint Wells 974-4770

Cowboy Action

Duane Whaley 646-1611

Junior Hi-Power

Jim Stewart 646-9763

Junior .22 Rifle

TBD

Adult Trap

Duane Whaley 646-1611

Junior/Ladies Trap

Gary Kandler 646-7973

Ladies, Ladies, Ladies

Sharon Whaley 646-1611

Black Powder

Lloyd Merchant 927-7264

Reloading Group

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Dennis Dann HunterEdCOSC@gmail.com

Range Maintenance

Volunteer Needed

Grounds Maintenance

Wayne Walter 627-8247

Clubhouse Rental

Mike & Cathy Finn 408-0015

Member Volunteer Work Hours

Sharon Whaley 646-1611

Membership (Application, Records, Dues, etc.)

Penny Batten 482-8169

COSCMembership@gmail.com

New Member Orientation

Jim Ingison jdingison@sbcglobal.net

NRA/COSC Membership Recruiting

Kirk Ginther 517-881-6022

Capital Area Friends of the NRA Committee

John Mann 694-1440

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Happy New Year!

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COSC Winter Gun Show at Clubhouse
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W&G 8:00a

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Reloading Group
9:30a – 2:30p

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IMPORTANT Club Members Mtg 7:30p
Election of Club Officers & Board Members
Must have 2019 Dues Paid to Vote or Pay at this Meeting.

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W&G 8:00a

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New Member Orientation 6:45p
COSC Board Mtg 7:30p

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W&G 8:00a

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W&G – Wheezers & Geezers Group 😊

Club hours for shooting – 9:00am to ½ hour before sunset but not past 9:00pm. Please be respectful of our neighbors and keep track of time when shooting in the evening.

Lost and Found email: cosclostandfound@gmail.com