

# Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club



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## A Note from the President: Dan Reid

Hooray, the ranges are open!

Please follow the guidelines for Corona safety that we've all heard many times now.

After nearly three months of trying to get a response from the Governor's office, we still have not had one response. So, we are starting to get back to business. The ranges are open, programs soon to follow.

We will be having our June meeting as scheduled (pending the next order from "Big Gretch") but would like to keep the audience small to provide for social distancing space. You are welcome to come, especially if you have business for the meeting.

In the meantime, there are a lot of new gun owners out there. Please share our sports with them! Bring them to the range and let them try it out.

As always, pay attention to the range rules. Please take the time to pick up your expanded cartridge cases and remove your targets. We all want the ranges to be neat and orderly.

My many thanks to all the folks that I think of as essential that have been keeping it going. And to you, for your patience in these trying times.

Now, go out and make some smoke!



Dan Reid  
COSC President

- 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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### 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, forests, waters, and wildlife.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



6 – George O' Kon's Pistol Training

8 – Monthly Meeting 7PM

13, 27 Cowboy Action 8AM

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – JR Trap 5PM

4, 11, 18, 25 Adult Trap 5PM

7, 14, 28 Adult Trap 12PM

## COWBOY ACTION

Barring any restrictions, we will start on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM. Please check COSC newsletters for other dates. You can always call me at 646-1611 if you have questions. Evil Duane

## TRAP SEASON BEGINS

Adult season starts with the June calendar, the same days as the years past. Thursday with Wheezers at 9 AM, Thursdays at 5 PM for open adult trap and Sundays at noon for adult.



## TRAP PROGRAM

I am still looking for someone to take over the trap program. Please call Duane at 646-1611 if you are interested.

## JR & LADIES TRAP SHOOTERS

We believe it is past time to start thinking about trap shooting again. We tentatively have a start date in mind. If our Governor does not extend the quarantine date past the 28<sup>th</sup> of May, we will plan on our first day being June 2 @ 5 PM. We will practice as much social distancing as possible and washing of hands after shooting. We will work with you as safely as possible and expect this in return from you.

If things change and we need to change our start date I will issue an email blast informing you of any changes. Also, give me call or email me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Gary Kandler 646-7973 or  
[gkandler@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gkandler@sbcglobal.net)

## NRA MEMBERSHIP INFO

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

Please send the following info: Your name, mailing address, NRA membership number (if renewing,) the NRA magazine you prefer (choose one: American Rifleman, American Hunter, 1<sup>st</sup> Freedom, Shooting Illustrated) along with a check for dues payable to NRA Membership Dues (new rates as of 3/1/2019: 1 Yr - \$35; 3 Yr - \$85; 5 Yr - \$125,) mailed to: Kirk Ginther 737 Brenneman Pottsville, 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.**



## NRA NEWS

Hello from your Chief Okemos NRA Recruiter!

I wanted to share a promotion currently being offered by the NRA. Prices are good for a limited time and I will only know that they end when I get an email from the NRA.

If you renew annually like I do, to give the club a \$6 bonus for Jr Trap, now is the time. 1-year membership prices are \$30 (discounted \$5 from the current club member price but \$15 off the \$45 normal NRA yearly membership.

3 year memberships are not discounted beyond what they already are for club members at \$85 but if you want to buy a 5 year membership or renewal, the prices is discounted to \$100 (\$25 savings off our normal price of \$125 for club members.)

Mail me your information as usual or call me if you want to renew and pay by credit card. If you do call me, leave a voice message with your name and phone number along with the best time to call you back. I don't call phone numbers back if no message is left because of too many spammers. My contact information is in the newsletter every month or can be found on the COSC website too.

Thank you,  
Kirk Ginther – COSC NRA Recruiter

## BI-LAWS CHANGE

As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, per the bi-laws change, there is a \$25 late fee on **ANY** renewals after March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. If you do not pay it, your money will be sent back to you and you will have to re-join after September. All membership dues are due by December 31<sup>st</sup> of every year, with a completed application.

Thank you, Membership Chair

## DEFENSIVE PISTOL COURSE

Master Sergeants at Arms, LLC is offering a NON-NRA Defensive Pistol Course on Saturday, 6 June 2020 (76<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day) at COSC. Course is geared towards current CPL holders seeking to enhance marksmanship skill sets.

Instructor is NRA certified as well as former US Army Special Forces with 35 years' experience.

Show up time is 08:15 with five hours of training ending at 14:00/2PM (no lunch.)

Maximum class size is eight.

Training schedule: Admin/Safety brief, dynamic shooting drills including: fundamentals refresher, movements to neutralize threats, barricades-low and high, range from contact to 25 yd. engagement, 21 foot moving target, other events time permitting.

Cost: \$125.00 for COSC family members or US Veterans, \$150.00 all others.

What to bring: clothing appropriate for the weather, long work pants (we will be outdoors, training will go on rain or shine except if lightning is present,) your carry firearm if you'd like to bring additional pistol/revolver to try out, that's okay,) 300-325 training rounds, a quality holster/belt rig (recommend a strong side hip holster made particularly for your handgun,) 3-4 magazines/speed loaders with belt pouch for same, eye/ear protection, water, coffee, snacks, sun screen, bug juice as you need. Interested?

Please contact George OKon at [GJO1232@yahoo.com](mailto:GJO1232@yahoo.com) or leave contact info at 517-749-0280.

Thank you and Godspeed.

## Archery Update:

Our 3D range is now set up and is OPEN for members only. Our Saturday Open House from 9 AM – 2 PM is on hold until Governor Whitmer cancels the “Stay Home” order. New to our 3D range this year is a 3D pro Elk and a 3D pro Wolverine.



Last year we were presented with “The Best of 2019 Dimondale Archery Club.” We are hoping to continue with a great archery season again this year.

A big THANKS to all who showed up to open the range with their quad runners and willingness to work. Setting the range up takes a lot of work. With the 3D range open, so are a lot of work opportunities. Here are some ideas of what you might do for a club discount:

1. The antlers need to be sorted and set out on the right 3D animals. The antlers are in the archery shed in a large white plastic bag across from the work bench.
2. UV water protector needs to be sprayed on all targets, both range and raised platforms. UV water protector and the sprayer are in the archery shed on the work bench. Please clean out sprayer when done using.
3. Ant poison needs to be applied around all targets. The ant poison is in the archery shed in a factory shaker zip lock bag, on the shelf above the work bench. Light dusting around the base of the target.
4. Herbicide needs to be applied around the base of the bow tacks. The herbicide and the backpack sprayer are in the archery shed on the back of the work bench. Herbicide needs to be mixed with water. Best applied if the wind is not blowing. Spray around the base of the bow racks on the 3D range. Please rinse out after use.
5. Mowing the 3D range needs to be kept up. Every 2 weeks, or every week when the grass is growing fast. The red mower is in the archery shed. Gas, oil, and grease, if needed, are in the mowing shed.
6. Trim back brush growing into the main trail. There are 2 sets of loppers hanging on the left wall in the archery shed. Please put back when done.
7. The raised platform at 10 & 11 will not be tore down. We will put new bracing underneath the lower deck.
8. Check for large holes in the 3D targets made by birds or mice. Fill with expanding foam, found on the shelf above the work bench in the archery shed.
9. Paint an older 3D target. There is pain in the store room under the club house in gallon pails of white, black, tan, gray, and brown.

You'll need a “B” key to get into the archery shed and store room. Please call one of us on the archery committee.

Turn in work hours at the “hours worked” box mounted on the back stair case of the club house or call Sharon Whaley 646-1611 or email Penny Batten [COSCMembership@gmail.com](mailto:COSCMembership@gmail.com) with time worked, the date(s), and what you did.

Archery: Steve McGarry 575-9511, Tom Kreh 243-0153, Mark Richardson 202-6000

## EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

\*all terms end 1/11/21

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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