



Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club

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NEWSLETTER

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Facebook

Chief Okemos can now be found on Facebook! We will be using it as a way to keep members up to date with events happening at the club instead of having to wait for the newsletter. We are hoping to get all members to join, especially our junior members.

NRA Instructors

The Training Committee is looking for COSC members who are NRA instructors certified in Basic Pistol and Personal Protection in the Home, or who are willing and able to become certified in those disciplines, and who can donate one Saturday a month to the club, to participate in PPH / CPL classes. Please contact Steve Hurlburt (steve@chiefokemos.org) if interested. Thanks.

Attention: All COSC Members

Executive director Erin McDonough and Club affiliate director Peggy Parke from Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) has accepted our invitation to the COSC 3/8/2010 general membership meeting for an open forum. They will explain the new and improved MUCC, club relations, benefits, future goals. Also answer questions and concerns from any member. This will be a very interesting and informational meeting. All members are urged to attend. This invitation is extended to all members of other clubs, associations, business's, and guest that believe in protecting our hunting, fishing, trapping, shooting heritage and rights.

CPL / CCW Class

The CPL class scheduled for March 5th and 6th has been cancelled.

Note from the President

A special thank you goes to Wayne Walter, Norris Cove, John Mathews, Mark Richardson and Jeane Royale for the time and effort they gave to complete the east wall in the basement. A job that took almost two weeks. The new paneling looks very nice and brightens the room.

The County has dug out the drainage ditch at the west side of the property. I am hoping that will improve our water problem. Drainage will be one of our main projects this year.

Don't forget your Club will be open every Thursday. If you need work hours or just want to hang out, I will be there.

If you have any questions please ask.

Keith Wright

Juniors & Ladies Needed

Looking for junior members & ladies to write articles for the newsletter. You could possibly write on disciplines you are currently involved in, have been in the past or would like to see become a part of COSC. Pictures would be great also. Please contact Missie Baker cosc.newsletter@yahoo.com

Falling Plates

Falling plates is the begin the 2010 season in mid April on Wednesday nights @ 5:30 pm weather permitting. Lets hope that the range will dry out this year and attendance will be good. Equipment is pistol caliber carbines, shotgun with shot, and any pistol or revolver. The plates are adjusted to fall with a .22 so shooting is not restricted to enterfire guns. For any questions or further questions call Ron Kaplansky at 337.2180

Work Party

A work party is scheduled for 3/20 & 3/21 9am-? on the 3-D Archery range. Will be installing wood chips, stone, concrete, and targets. Improving shooting lanes, trimming trees, ect. The following equipment would be very helpful, tractor or ATVs with trailers, pitch forks, shovels, muscles. Thank you all in advance for helping us to open the 3-D range as early as conditions will allow. Any questions call Dave Walter 646.0701

Youth Archery

Anyone interested in helping to start a youth archery program, please call Dave 646-0701

Pancake Breakfast

Our first pancake breakfast turned out very well. We did not make a large fortune, but I felt attendance was down. Because March is booked-up we will have our next pancake breakfast in April. Watch for the date in the newsletter.

2010 Camp Dinner

The Camp Dinner is March 13th. Social Hour is from 5PM to 6PM. Dinner is at 6PM and raffle will start after dinner. I hope to see you there.
Duane Whaley

Camp Dinner Workers

We still need workers for the Camp Dinner. If you can help, please, call Duane at 646.1611.

Ladies and Junior Trap

The NRA Basic Shotgun Class will be April 10th, 8 am – 3 pm (approximately). A lunch break will be at 12:00, bring your own or fast food is available on Lansing Road.

If you have taken this course in the past, you DO NOT need to take it again. There is no charge to take this course, however, I need the names of participants in advance to insure I have enough class books, test forms, etc. Questions – call John Mathews, 646.6217.

Archery News

The outdoor 3-D Archery will open in April with new & improved targets and shooting lanes. Help and equipment will be needed soon to install wood chips, targets, build log cabin, improve ranges. For info call Dave Walter 646.0701

Archery ranges still need wood chips donated.

Anyone interested in youth and adult archery leagues call Dave 646.0701

Please Remember

No live or spent rounds, including brass, steel and aluminum cases, and shotgun hulls, can be thrown in trash barrels or in the dumpster. Please take your empties with you when you leave, or deposit them in the white plastic buckets at each range.

Fundraisers for Chief Okemos

Any person who has any ideas about a food fundraising event, please, contact Duane Whaley 646.1611.

Sportsman's Raffle

COSC will be holding a raffle in September with the following prizes:

- Ten Point GT Flex crossbow with AcuDraw and scope
- Mossberg 12 gauge Turkey Gun
- Thompson/Center Omega Z5 Muzzleloading rifle kit
- Smith & Wesson 637 Airweight .38 Special revolver
- Parker Buck-Buster bow with red dot sight
- Remington 710 30.06 bolt action rifle

Tickets will sell for \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

If you want tickets, or can help sell tickets, please contact **Charlie Wolbeck 517.775.4419** or cwolbeck@aol.com

Upcoming Gun Shows

Mar 6 & 7 Monroe
Mar 20 & 21 Birch Run
Mar 27 & 28 Cadillac

Committee Members Needed

COSC needs members to volunteer to join the new Advertising/Promotion Committee and an expanded Membership Committee. If you can help out, please contact Ed Osmar at 517.646.7418.

C.O.S.C. 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.

March in Michigan

Butterflies, maple syrup, ski and canoe races--in Michigan, there's always something fun to do! And, there's always a celebration.

35th Annual Clare Irish Festival
Mar 10 - 13
Clare
<http://irish.claremichigan.com>

Great Bear Chase
Mar 13
Calumet
<http://www.bearchase.org>

Butterflies Are Blooming
Mar 1 - Apr 30
Grand Rapids
http://www.meijergardens.org/calendar/butterflies_are_blooming.php

Journey to the Sugar Bush
Feb 27 - Mar 27
Dexter/Ann Arbor
http://www.metroparks.com/calendar_item.aspx?ID=81

Newsletter

Please remember to submit items for the newsletter by the 20th of the month to make sure your information gets included in the next month's issue. Any COSC member may submit items for the newsletter.

If you would prefer to receive your COSC newsletter by email, or if you would rather read the copy we post on the COSC website, please let me know.

Missie Baker
cosc.newsletter@yahoo.com

NRA MEMBERSHIP

When joining or renewing by mail, please provide:

- Name and address
- Membership number (if renewing)
- Magazine you prefer
American Rifleman
American Hunter
1st Freedom
- A check for \$25 made out to NRA
(Your receipt will be mailed to you.)

Send to J.R. Mathews, 9217 Bridge Hwy,
Dimondale, MI 48821 Any questions, call (517)
646-6217.

This procedure is not just for C.O.S.C. members.
Have your friends, neighbors, co-workers or
anyone renew or join through the club and
C.O.S.C. will get \$5 or \$10 commission.

Officers:

President – Keith Wright
1st Vice – Duane Whaley – 646.1611
2nd Vice – Dave Walter – 646.0701
Secretary – Ann Richardson
Treasurer – Bob Tyler – 484.2020

Board Members:

Charlie Wolbeck (3) – 775.4419
Tom Towsley (3)
Ed Osmar (2) – 646.7418
Mark Richardson (2)
John Mathews (1) – 646.6217
Jean Wank (1) – 646.6753
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Archery – Dave Walter – 646.0701

Falling Plates – Ron Kaplansky – 337.2180

Cowboy Action – Edward Osmar – 646.7418

Primitive/Military – Ron Harper – 393.2555

Hi-Power – Jim Stewart – 646.9763

Junior Rifle – Chuck Proper – 882.1879

Junior Air Rifle – Dave Walter – 646.0701

Junior Rimfire – Charlie Wolbeck – 775.4419

Trap – Duane Whaley – 646.1611

Junior/Ladies Trap – John Mathews –
646.6217

NRA/COSC Membership Recruiting – John
Mathews – 646.6217

Range Maintenance – Bob Tyler – 484.2020

Hall Rental – Sharon & Duane Whaley –
646.1611

Work Hours – Sharon Whaley – 646.1611

Capital Area Friends of the NRA Committee
– Tom Butler – 646.0077

**March 2010
PLANNING CALENDAR**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Wheezers & Geezers 8:30 AM	5	6
7	8 Training Committee Meeting 6:45 PM Membership Meeting 7:30 PM	9	10	11 Wheezers & Geezers 8:30 AM	12	13 Camp Dinner 5 PM
14	15	16	17	18 Wheezers & Geezers 8:30 AM	19	20 Clubhouse Rental Work Party
21 Work Party	22 Board Meeting 7:30 PM	23	24	25 Wheezers & Geezers 8:30 AM	26	27 A.S.A. 3D Archery Meet
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