

Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club



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A Note from the President: Dan Reid

Well, here we go again. Our Governor has committed to another lockdown. From what I can see it does not pertain to gun ranges in general. I could ask, but I never got a reply before and don't anticipate one now. As of this writing, ranges are fully open to use. As always, please ensure your own Covid-19 safety as well as general range safety.

I hope that all the hunters have made a good harvest ensuring the management of our resources.

Please pay attention to the posted shooting hours of 9am until ½ hour BEFORE sunset. We get calls whenever shooting occurs outside of these hours and we do follow up on them. The hours are posted on the message board between the 25-yard ranges. Please police up your targets and brass.

Slippery conditions will be coming soon, so please mind your step in the lots and on the ranges.

The December membership meeting will have the third reading of the bylaws changes to be voted on at the November meeting. In January we will be voting for officers and board member positions that will expire. If you are interested in serving please come to the next couple meetings.

Dan Reid
COSC President



Remember to wash your hands.

- 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 DECEMBER EVENTS

14 – Monthly Meeting

NRA ROLLBACK RATES

Hello from your COSC NRA Recruiter, Discounted rates on One-Year and Five-Year NRA memberships will apply until Recruiters are notified.

ONE-YEAR

\$30

~~\$35 (Recruiter Rate)~~

~~\$45 (Standard NRA Rate)~~

FIVE YEAR

\$100

~~\$125 (Recruiter Rate)~~

~~\$150 (Standard NRA Rate)~~

I am happy to see this return and hope you are too. Again, call me at 517-881-6022 and I can take a credit card payment over the phone or mail your check for one year or five year renewal or new memberships to: Kirk Ginther, 737 Brenneman St, Pottsville, MI 48876. Make check payable to National Rifle Association or NRA. Thank you!

MEMBERSHIP

Here it is December... It's time for renewals. Your dues are due by December 31st, 2020.

If you are a new member before September 1st, 2020 then you must also renew your membership.

We are not accepting new members at this time but after March 1st 2021, if you have not paid your 2021 dues than your spot is up for grabs.

I do have a waiting list.

Email me at coscmembership@gmail.com or by phone @ 517-896-4291.

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, 1st Freedom, Shooting Illustrated) along with a check for dues payable to NRA Membership Dues 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.

7 YARD RANGE ORIENTATION

Any member who would like the orientation for the 7 yard range, we schedule the classes on the first Saturday of each month at 9AM. Just show up and I will start the class at 9AM promptly.

Remember your badge. See you there.
Duane

LADIES, LADIES, LADIES

Happy Holidays Ladies! Ladies, Ladies, Ladies will take the months of December & January off and will meet in February. We had a great 2020 even with our late start. Looking forward to 2021. Please let me know if there is anything that you would like to do in the next year and we will schedule it.

Hope everyone has a safe and happy Holiday season with your families.

Kathy Reid

517-899-8434

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Class Opportunities

Introductory Level – NRA Basic Pistol

This is a class for people new to handling hand guns. No prior experience is required. You do not need to own a gun to attend. We will spend time talking about what handguns may be better choices for the way you want to shoot. All written materials are provided. The program includes lectures and time shooting at close range. Very limited physical activity. This is an 8-hour class.

CPL – NRA PPITH

This class requires some prior knowledge of handguns. No particular skill level is required, you must already know basic handgun safety and you will do better if you have had some experience shooting. You do not need to own a gun to attend. We will spend time talking about what handguns may be better choices for self-defense or concealed carry. This is one of the courses the State of Michigan will accept as qualified training if you decide to apply for a Concealed Pistol License. The program includes lectures and time shooting at close range. The class is less about shooting and more about the laws and regulations surrounding a handgun in your possession when you are not at home. Very limited physical activity. This is an 8-hour class.

Classes are taught by experienced, certified, and insured instructors. Classes are \$45 per class for club members and \$100 per class for nonmembers and will begin in November. All proceeds go to club programs.

Please contact Dale Howe at (616) 485-3979 or
DaleKHowe@dkhowe.com for details and to enroll.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

*all terms end 1/11/21

President	Dan Reid 719-0416
1 st Vice	Penny Batten 896-4291
2 nd Vice	Mark Richardson 202-6000
Secretary	Lissa Collins 894-7757
Treasurer	Jane Kandler 646-7973

BOARD MEMBERS

Past President Ken Ecker	983-9195
Kathy Reid(term ends 1/11/21)	899-8434
John Gambill(term ends 1/11/21)	646-0681
Penny Ecker(term ends 1/11/21)	512-0948
George OKon(term ends 1/10/22)	749-0280
Kay Lockwood(term ends 1/10/22)	332-2869
Jerry Shihady(term ends 1/9/23)	282-5097
Keith Wright(term ends 1/9/23)	646-9179

COMMUNICATIONS/SOCIAL MEDIA

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sandraenness@gmail.com
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lopez.aaron.m@gmail.com

LOST AND FOUND

cosclostandfound@gmail.com

THERE IS NO CLUBHOUSE PHONE

CLUB CONTACT INFO

All area codes are (517) unless noted.

Archery	
Mark Richardson	202-6000
Steve McGarry	575-9511
Jr Archery	TBD
Falling Plates	
Clint Wells	974-4770
Cowboy Action	
Duane Whaley	646-1611
Junior Hi-Power	TBD
Junior .22 Rifle	TBD
Adult Trap	TBD
Junior/Ladies Trap	
Gary Kandler	646-7973
Ladies, Ladies, Ladies	
Kathy Reid	899-8434
Black Powder	
Lloyd Merchant	927-7264
Reloading Group	
Dennis Dann	
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Dennis Dann	
HunterEdCOSC@gmail.com	
Range Maintenance	
Christian Collins	319-7974
Grounds Maintenance	
Mark Richardson	202-6000
Clubhouse Rental	
Mike & Cathy Finn	408-0015
Member Volunteer Work Hours	
Sharon Whaley	646-1611
Membership (Application, Records, Dues)	
Penny Batten	896-4291
COSCMembership@gmail.com	
New Member Orientation	
Sharon Whaley	646-1611
NRA/COSC Membership Recruiting	
Kirk Ginther	881-6022
Capital Area Friends of the NRA Committee	
John Mann	694-1440
Property Committee	
Amy Dabb	amos0317@gmail.com



Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Monthly Meeting 7P	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		



Application for Annual Membership

for the year beginning January 1, 20____

Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club is a family organization. We encourage families to join and participate in all of our programs and activities.

As a paid member, your family enjoys free membership to COSC.

PART 1-Information about you (Please Print)

Your name _____		Your date of birth _____		Home phone number _____ ()		Unlisted number? ☐ Yes ☐ No		Best time to call _____	
Your spouse's name (if applicable) _____		Spouse's date of birth _____		Work phone number _____ ()		Cell phone number _____ ()			
Address _____				Your E-mail address _____		Receive Newsletter by E-mail ☐ Yes ☐ No			
City _____		State _____		Zip _____		Your occupation _____		Employed by _____	

Please enter NRA number and type:

Member NRA No. _____

Type _____

Spouse's NRA No. _____

Type _____

You can apply to join (or renew) the National Rifle Association (NRA) through Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club. Ask your membership representative for details.

Which Club activities would you or your family like to work or participate in (check all that apply)?

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| ☐ Archery | ☐ Informal Plinking | |
| ☐ Bake Sale | ☐ Junior Archery | ☐ Rules |
| ☐ Bowling Pin Shoot | ☐ Junior High Power | ☐ Trap - Adult |
| ☐ Concessions | ☐ Junior Sporter Rimfire | ☐ Trap - Junior |
| ☐ Cowboy Action | ☐ Ladies Ladies Ladies | ☐ Trap - Ladies |
| ☐ Falling Plates | ☐ Maintenance Building | ☐ Legislation |
| ☐ Finance | ☐ Maintenance Grounds | ☐ Other _____ |
| ☐ Gun Shows | ☐ Maintenance Range | _____ |
| ☐ Hunter Safety | ☐ Membership | _____ |
| | ☐ Muzzle Loading | |

Do you have any special talents, tools, or materials available?

Do you have any special interests or ideas?

If you are applying for initial membership, briefly describe your reasons for joining COSC.

PART 2-Membership Dues: Annual membership dues are \$125.00. If a member works at least 15 hours a calendar year on Club projects, next year's dues are reduced to \$50.00. A single membership includes both husband and wife. Each receive a membership card, are considered full Class A members with voting rights, have the right to hold office (after three years) and may share in working the 15 hours. Senior members (over 65 and a paid member for the previous five years) pay half the amount of a regular membership (\$62.50) or \$25.00 with 15 hours of work the previous year. If you have a physical limitation and cannot work, please attach a letter of explanation. Your letter will be considered by the Board of Directors.

This is an application for (choose one):

- | | | |
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| ☐ Initial membership \$125.00 | ☐ Annual renewal \$125.00 | ☐ Annual renewal with work \$50.00 |
| ☐ Senior renewal \$62.50 | ☐ Senior renewal with work \$25.00 | |

PART 3-Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club Range Rules PLEASE READ Before Signing Below

General Range Rules

1. Members and guests only. Guests must be accompanied by a member (limit three guests per member at one time).
2. No alcohol allowed on ranges.
3. Uncased firearms must have magazines removed and bolt open.
4. No shooting when "Range Closed" sign is displayed. The Board must approve all range closings in advance.
5. Scheduled shooting events have priority.
6. Remove target after use and pick up brass. Place ALL spent brass, including shot shell hulls, in the white buckets marked for brass disposal.

Live rounds may be disposed of in the wooden red boxes attached to the front of the covered firing points. No brass is to be put into the blue trash containers or the dumpster at the North property line.

7. No handling of firearms when someone is down range changing targets. The Yellow Flag is to be hung when targets are being posted. The Red Flag is to be hung when the range is "hot" (live shooting taking place/DANGER). Failure to hang the appropriate flag puts liability on the person or persons using the range.
8. Shooting hours are from 9:00 am to ½ hour before sunset but NOT to exceed 9:00 pm.

Outdoor Range Rules

1. Only paper and approved targets.
2. Staple targets to center of backers only. DO NOT use posts or stringer boards.
3. Do not proceed down range until clearance has been given and Yellow Flag has been posted.
4. No smoking on range when black powder is used on the range.
5. No shooting to be done from behind the covered firing line.
6. No climbing on berms or backstop.
7. Keep all vehicles out of range area. Stay off drain field.
8. Portable IPSC type targets are to be used on the 25 yard range only. (Except in scheduled IPSC matches.)
9. Cowboy Action targets are for Cowboy Action Shooting only.
10. Any target being used shall be placed at the shooting berms. If a shooter wishes to fire at closer ranges, the "shooter" must move to the target. DO NOT move the targets away from the shooting berms.
11. It is advisable to close and lock the gate when the shooter is alone.
12. Any member can request another person using the range to show his/her membership card. You **MUST** have your membership card with you when on Club grounds.

Membership Drive

Any individual who sponsors or signs up five (5) new members will get the following year membership free. The individual bringing in those new members must sign each membership application form to receive credit.

Print Sponsoring Member's Name

Sponsoring Member Signature

Instructions

Complete the first page of this form.

Read and understand the range rules on this page.

Read and sign the Certification below.

Mail your completed application and check made payable to **COSC** to:
Do not send cash.

COSC Membership
P.O. Box 375
Dimondale, MI 48821

Are you or your spouse banned from owning a firearm?

You ► ☐ Yes ☐ No

Spouse ► ☐ Yes ☐ No

Certification

The information given on this application is true, complete, and correct. I/we have read and agree to abide by the current Range Rules, and to support and abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club. I/we ask to be considered for membership or renewal.

Your signature

Date signed

Your spouse's signature

Date signed

For COSC use

Amount received

\$

☐ Cash
☐ Check number:

Date Paid

Accepted By

Orientation
Date / By

**Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club
P.O. Box 375
Dimondale, Michigan 48821**

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