Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club

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★ 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.

★ 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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NRA Membership Info

When joining or renewing your NRA membership you can do so through COSC and here's how: The rates for one year and five-year NRA memberships have returned to standard recruiter rates. One year $35 and five years $125 (if done through COSC.) You can click the link on our webpage and renew with CC online or sign up for a new membership. If you wish to write a check then send the following info: Your name, mailing address, NRA membership number (if renewing,) the NRA magazine you prefer (choose one: American Rifleman or American Hunter) (please note if you choose digital you get 12 monthly emailed editions, if you choose to have it mailed to you then it will be mailed quarterly) along with a check for dues payable to NRA Membership Dues mailed to: Kirk Ginther 737 Brenneman Potterville, MI 48876.) A receipt for dues will be mailed to you. By renewing your NRA membership through the club, $6 of that renewal fee is returned to the club to promote and support youth and ladies trap shooting.

7-yard Range

The 7-yard range orientation will now be conducted by Tom Nelson. Please contact Tom at 517-882-8783 to set up an appointment. Also willing to help train individuals are Jerry Shihady 517-282-5097 and Dale Howe 517-349-9919. The sand in the covered range is not play sand. For one, it is heavily contaminated with lead. For two, it is in front of the firing line on a gun range. NO ONE should be in front of the firing line on the covered range.

Work Hours

Anyone needing work hours? I can always use help on building, range, and ground maintenance projects. If you are interested, please text, or call me at 517-202-6000 or send an email to me at qtmars@yahoo.com Thanks! Mark Richardson

Wheezers and Geezers

Wheezers and Geezers are getting together on Thursday mornings like they used to do. They would like to see you join them for breakfast and friendship. They could also use some help in the kitchen. The cook arrives by 7am and he could use help with cooking, prepping, serving, and cleaning up the kitchen. The group would appreciate some new volunteers and some more members to join in their breakfast get together. Please consider joining. The contact person is Richard Garza, 517-230-3552.

Membership Renewal Time

We are still in the membership renewal reminder season. Some of us will put this off for now and hopefully remember before December 31st. Some of us won't and then end up paying the $25 late fee along with your membership renewal. I am advising that if you send in your payment by December 31st, you can renew your club membership for 2027. Unlike many things around us, prices did not go up for 2027 so send in your money now. There will be a downloadable fillable renewal form in the September through December newsletters emailed out. Sincerely, Kirk Ginther Membership Committee Chairman

Sight In Days

The remaining sight in days will be from 9am to 3pm on the following days: Sunday, November 1st, and Saturday, November 7th and Sunday, November 8th. All participants will need to bring their own ammunition. COSC will provide targets as well as personnel to assist with this endeavor. The charge is still $3 per firearm. If you are in need of work hours and would like to help with this event, please contact Justin Mace at 248-497-3926. This event is open to the public.

Dimondale Holiday Craft Show

Friday, November 20th from 9am-6pm and Saturday, November 21st from 9am-4pm COSC will once again be hosting the Village Crafters for the Dimondale City Wide Craft Show. There will be a variety of well made crafts to choose from. Come on out and take a look. The Village Crafters will also be collecting non-perishable food items, blankets, and coats to donate to the Dimondale Food Bank.

COSC Christmas Party

Please join us for the COSC Christmas party on Saturday, December 12th, 2026! We look forward to celebrating the holiday season with our members, families, and friends.

Event Schedule:

Social Hour 4:00-5:00pm

Dinner: 5:00pm

The club will be providing ham for the dinner, hot cocoa, plates, cups, silverware, and a special visit from Santa Claus.

Bring your family and a dish to pass to share with everyone. If you would like to enjoy beverages other than those being provided, feel free to bring your own.

We look forward to celebrating the holiday season together and hope to see everyone there for an evening of good food, fellowship, and Christmas cheer!

Merry Christmas from COSC!

COSC Classified Corner

Want to sell something, give an item away for free? Create your ad per the rules below and send to cosc4667@gmail.com on or before the 12th of the month.

FOR SALE $500 **Pull 11/15/2026**

Ruger Single Six Revolver, two cylinders - 22LR and 22MAG, 6.5" barrel, blued, adjustable sights, 15 years old, still new in the box. Call Steve @ 517-775-7353

FOR SALE $90 **Pull 11/15/2026**

54 New NOS Winchester primed brass in vintage box. 75 Winchester 150gr soft points in vintage boxes. Call or email Eric @ 517-944-2039, erict58@aol.com

***Rules: The subject of the COSC Classified Ads should be related to the functions of the club. There will be a few exceptions but sales of houses, autos, land, boats, and big ticket items will be denied. Selling by businesses will be prohibited. Content rules will be adjusted as the ads evolve.**

Ads are monthly, to be submitted by the 12th. Max length of the run is 3 months. Max lines are 6. Info to be included is Name, Phone Number, Email, and length to run ad. Email ad to cosc4667@gmail.com.

Executive Officers *all terms end 1/11/27

President - Mark Richardson	202-6000
1st Vice - Steve Slee	775-7353
2nd Vice - Richard Garza	230-3552
Secretary - Kathy Reid	899-8434
Treasurer - Jane Kandler	646-7973

Board Members

Past President - Dale Howe

Ken Ecker (1/27)	983-9195
Kirk Ginther (1/27)	881-6022
Gary Radtke (1/27)	281-7704
John Gambill (1/28)	646-0681
Mike Rhoads (1/28)	643-5989
Jerry Shihady (1/29)	282-5097
Cathy Finn (1/29)	974-6178

Communications/Social Media

Newsletter - Ashley Wonnacott, ashleymarie.wonnacott@gmail.com

Website - Nikki Goodrich, nlgoodrich@gmail.com

Facebook - Aaron Lopez, lopez.aaron.m@gmail.com

Lost and Found

cosclostandfound@gmail.com

There is no clubhouse phone. All area codes are 517 unless noted.

Club Contact Info

7-yard Range Orientation	**Tom Nelson**	**882-8783**
Archery	**Mike Cripps**	**616-283-1886**
		crippsme@gmail.com
	Austin Walter	**980-9613**
Black Powder	****members needed***	
Club Maintenance	**Mark Richardson**	**202-6000**
	Mike Birsen	**231-5491**
Clubhouse Rental	**Mike & Cathy Finn**	**408-0015**
COSC/NRA Membership Recruiting	**Kirk Ginther**	**881-6022**
Cowboy Action	**Ken Ecker**	**983-9195**
	Mike Rhoads	**643-5989**
Falling Plates	**Mike Carter**	**285-4189**
Junior .22 Rifle	**Randy Campbell**	**285-5727**
Key Masters	**Mark Richardson**	**202-6000**
	John Gambill	**646-0681**
	Jerry Shihady	**282-5097**
Ladies Ladies Ladies	**Kathy Reid**	**899-8434**
Membership Vol Work Hours	**Sharon Whaley**	**896-8253**
Membership (Apps, Dues, etc)	**Kirk Ginther**	**881-6022**
		coscmembership@gmail.com
New Member Orientation	**Sharon Whaley**	**896-8253**
Trap (Jr & Ladies)	**Dan Reid**	**719-0416**
Trap (Thursday PM)	****members needed***	
Trap (Sunday)	****members needed***	