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SPORTSMAN

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Welcome, August!

We hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful Michigan summer to the fullest! Thank you for your participation at the club and for sharing your experiences on social media. It's a wonderful way to highlight our amazing sub-clubs and activities!

Local Events

Festival of Flight: August 10th

Oakland County International Airport

Woodward Dream Cruise: August 16th

Renaissance Festival: Aug. 16th - Sept. 28th

12600 Dixie Hwy., Holly

MMRA Drivers Experience: August 24th

Hamlin Pub Car Show: August 31st

6397 Sashabaw Rd, Clarkston

Classic Car Show: Wednesday nights through October
Downtown Holly

We are now serving breakfast on Saturday & Sunday from Noon to 4pm

Kitchen Hours Sat & Sun 12-5pm (Bar open until 6pm)

Kitchen Hours Tue-Thursday Noon-10pm

Friday Bar/Kitchen open Noon-8pm

Every Friday Fish Fry

Noon-9pm

(full bar menu also available)

Saturday & Sunday Bar & Kitchen open from 12-5pm

*Hours subject to change, depending on events or holidays



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Michelle Primeaux



From the President

Warren Pratt

This has been a busy month at the club. We have been working on a number of projects and I want to bring one of these to light. The 100yd range has been our top priority and we want to get it finished, making it sound and much safer than it has ever been. The 50 yd wall has been finished and is a work of art, and it only took us 3 1/2 days and we came in under budget! There has been controversy on the next step but we will work it out. No new news on the dinosaurs, but we will keep you posted. The Michigan State Police have been training on the APR and this is very good for us and the community. Together we have built a very good relationship with MSP and a number of them have joined the club. I look forward to seeing you around the club.

Warren Pratt



Welcome, New Members!

Ryan Boyle, Juan Castillo, Philip DeConick, Tyler Grant, David Juzyk, Allison Li, and David Vitale. Welcome to Oakland County Sportsmen's Club!

***Be sure to "like" and follow the Club on Facebook! We love when you share your experiences at OCSC!
www.facebook.com/OCSCMI***





OCSC MUCC Update



Greetings fellow club members. I am thankful for the questions posed to me at the June 25th General Membership meeting. One question in particular will be the focus of this month's update.

What's the status of being able to use bait while deer hunting in Michigan?

Using bait to increase the chances of taking deer raises some passionate opinions among hunters. I have no opposition to using bait from an ethical or fair chase standpoint. The Michigan DNR (and MUCC and OCSC) all support using only ethical and fair chase methods, which baiting can indeed be. The reasons for not allowing baiting in Michigan are based on the fact that Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been found in free-ranging deer in various counties in our state. CWD is a fatal condition for the deer but is not known to be transmissible to humans or cattle. A plan that was prepared *before* CWD was found called for banning baiting when and if CWD was found. And that's what happened. CWD has been found in 14 of 68 lower peninsula counties and 1 of 15 counties in the upper peninsula. Using bait for deer hunting in the lower peninsula has been banned since 2019. Baiting is not banned in the upper peninsula (with the exception of one county). Baiting of any sort for waterfowl or turkeys is illegal. Baiting for bears is allowed with certain restrictions.

The concern is that baiting increases contact among deer and causes CWD (and bovine tuberculosis) to spread more readily. This has been the commonly held belief for many years and there is research to support it. But some in the hunting community are starting to doubt the added significance that baiting purportedly causes, pointing out that deer have frequent contact all of the time regardless of whether bait is present. And infection rates aren't significantly changing. They lick branches, food, and each other. The disease still exists and likely will continue to be present always. So now in 2025, baiting has been banned in the lower for six years.

Recently however, there has been some discussion of legislative action. Some are saying because the DNR needs increased funding, they may be willing to allow baiting if fees can be increased. There is pending legislation on both.

Our deer herd is overpopulating many areas. Our hunting heritage is in danger due to a decline in the number of people who hunt, even occasionally. I believe allowing baiting would attract more hunters and perhaps more *new* hunters, which we desperately need.

Other related questions associated with this issue include "why do they sell all those tons of corn and beets and carrots at gas stations across our state?" and "why can I hunt next to an apple tree but not next to a bushel of apples I gathered from that apple tree?"

My opinion is that I would like to see baiting allowed, but I question whether legislation is the right course of action. The Michigan Natural Resources Commission has the authority to do this but will not. To be fair, the NRC is likely erring on the side of caution and are being urged by biologists to do so. Politics and opinion and science don't always agree. Yet science AND politics AND opinion are all at play in this discussion and all will play a part in the final outcome. In the meantime, search for rubs, scrapes, food sources, and travel corridors and plan accordingly.

What do you think about using bait while hunting deer? I would appreciate hearing your opinion.

Dave Budnick

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Archery Club News – August 2025

On July 20th, five of us went to Detroit Sportsmen's Congress to shoot the second leg of the 3D BBQ Shoot. The turnout for the day appeared to be light. I hope when we host the third leg in the Archery woods that our turnout will be better. The BBQ Shoot consists of 30 3D targets followed by a summer barbecue afterwards. Everyone is welcome to join us for the fun shoot on August 10th.

The following weekend of August 16-17 is the 51st Bowhunter Jamboree. We are looking to change things up a bit this year with a 30-target trail shoot. On Sunday, Sunrise Archery will be on-site to support the archers and their equipment to make sure that you will be ready for the fall archery seasons, upcoming leagues, or tournaments. The Bowhunter Jamboree is open to all archers.

Our summer leagues have come to an end except for the FITA league on Wednesdays. They have had so many days of rain that they will continue their league through the month of August. The summer league banquet is on Tuesday, August 5th at 5:30 PM. I hope to see you all there.

Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD) is practicing for the MSU Archery Fall Classic at the Demmer Center. Practice will continue on the FITA field on Sundays from 2-4 PM through the month of August. In case of rain, practice will move to the indoor range. On September 14th, JOAD will be having an open house for all youth interested in knowing more about who we are. More information is coming soon on our JOAD Facebook.

Broadhead league starts the last week of July (29, 30, 31) for 8 weeks. Tuesday and Thursday starting times are 4-7 PM and Wednesday starting times are 9-11 AM. Come out to hone your skills ahead of the archery deer season. All leagues are open to the public.

Work bees are now on Tuesdays at 9 AM. The crew has a long list of things to do. We also have individual projects if anyone is looking for work hours.

Check the Archery website for event times and range closures at:
[2025 Archery Events](#) or [Archery Facebook](#)

Sincerely,
John Borth
Archery Club President



WATERFORD HILLS ROAD RACING (WHRRI) STICKY TIRES NEWSLETTER

Just like that, we are halfway through our season. Thanks to OCSC for selling refreshments during our largest attended spectator event in many years. More than 300 cars showed up from an internet-based car club. It was interesting to see the many clubs that exist on the interwebs that they linked to as well. I also must thank the extra effort many of our volunteers put into the event.

Following up the vintage event at the end of July, we have two race weekends plus an OTD in August.

To all WHRRI members: Come out to the club and use a range, volunteer, get some food, or do all three. Use the OCSC membership that you renew each year for more than just racing.

2025 WHRRI Race Dates

July 25-27 (Vintage) / Aug 2-3 / Aug 30-31 / Sept 27-28

Happy Racing!

Jerry Morlewski

WHRRI President

OCSC Trustee

www.waterfordhills.com





Muzzleloader Fall Rendezvous

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club Sept 17 to 21, 2025

Hosted by: The Clan of the Wolf Muzzleloaders

Rendezvous Fees:

- \$10 Fee to shoot just for one day
- \$20 Fee shoot and camp for the weekend
- \$3 Each additional camper

Wed Sept 17 -Thur Sept 18

- Early Camp Setup throughout the day

Friday Sept 19:

- Pistol Woods Walk 1:30 pm Start

Saturday Sept 20:

- Long gun (trade/rifle) woods walk, Registration 9 am, Start 10 am
- Archery 3D targets, Knife, Tomahawk, and Fire Starting timing TBD throughout the day.
- Awards at 4 pm
- Pot luck dinner around the fire at the trading post. Bring a dish to pass around 6:30 pm by the trading post.

Sunday Sept 21:

- Trade Gun Woods Walk, 9 am registration, 10 am Start
- Trade Gunners match consisting of Clay Birds, Knife, Tomahawk and Fire Starting; ongoing after Woods Walk
- Awards after trade gun match is complete

OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
MINUTES/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
June 2025

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by President Warren Pratt. The meeting was opened with the Pledge to the United States Flag and the Conservation Pledge. A moment of silence was observed in honor of long-time members Robert Strand and Lee Nancarrow. Lee asked that in lieu of flowers, please make donations to Ducks Unlimited or OCSC. The roll of officers was called by the secretary, Carl Bidinger.

Motion by Mike Graham / Dave Schaffer to approve excuses of absent officers. Passed. Motion by Dave Rich Dzuirda / Howard Christian to accept the minutes of the May 2025 General Membership Meeting. Passed. Motion by John Brundage / Ron Krantz to accept the minutes of the June 2025 Board of Directors Meeting. Passed. Motion by John Brundage / Scott Deshettler to accept the Treasurer's report of June as published. Passed.

Eight new members were introduced by Michele Daniels. President's Comments: None. PROGRAM SUBJECT: No Program. BAR REPORT: Gary Mobley. Nobody should be touching our bartenders in any way, shape, or form. They are our FAMILY and should be treated with the utmost respect and dignity. Anyone who touches any of our employees will be brought up for expulsion from the club and, at a minimum, banned from the bar.

ARCHERY: John Borth. MUCC: Dave Budnick. SHOTGUN: No Report. D.R. Wilson: No Report. MUZZLE LOADERS: No Report. CLUB MANAGER'S REPORT: No Report. QUARTER MIDGET CLUB: No Report. BLDGS/GRDS/WORKBEES: No Report. BULLS EYE: No Report. CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS: No Report. CONSERVATION: No Report. FISHING: No Report. ROAD RACE: No Report. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: No Report. FINANCE & PLANNING: No Report. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY: No Report.

Club member Peter Pruchnicki would have won \$40.00 if he had been at the meeting. Next month's prize will be \$50.00. It pays to attend these meetings. Motion by Scott Deshettler / Ron Krantz to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM. Respectfully submitted by Carl Bidinger, Executive Board Secretary.



Statement of Financial Position
OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

As of July 12, 2025

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Distribution account	Total
<i>Assets</i>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
10000 Repairs and Maintenance Fund	42,396.38
10001 Capital Improvement Fund	21,911.07
10002 CMA	
10003 Schwab	93,137.18
10004 Schwab Capital Improvement Acct	43,500.00
10005 Schwab Repair Maintenance Acct	60,239.93
10110 PNC Bank	250,440.00
10111 Charity Ticket Checking	16,850.54
10700 CashOnHand	0.00
10701 Petty Cash	1,400.00
10710 CashBox	3,500.00
Total for 10700 CashOnHand	\$4,900.00
10 MESC Adjust	
Total for Bank Accounts	\$533,375.10
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable	739.80
Total for Accounts Receivable	\$739.80
Other Current Assets	
11200 Inventory Asset	0.00
11210 Archery Inv	56,495.00
11220 Bar Inv	6,200.00
11230 Merchandise Inv	4,485.00
11240 Paper Products Inv	1,100.00
11250 Junior Rifle Inv	32,310.00
11260 Skeet & Trap Inv	20,547.41
11270 Bingo Inv	
11280 Bingo Conc Inv	
11290 Kitchen Store Inv	970.00
11292 Office Equipment Inv	1,548.16
11293 Rifle and Pistol	18,235.59
11294 Janitorial Supp Inv	425.00
Total for 11200 Inventory Asset	\$142,316.16
1499 Undeposited Funds	
Total for Other Current Assets	\$142,316.16
Total for Current Assets	\$676,431.06
Fixed Assets	
11900 Land & Buildings	707,987.75

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11980 Land	55,885.50
11990 Capital Equipment	293,038.08
Total for Fixed Assets	\$1,056,911.33
Other Assets	
Total for Assets	\$1,733,342.39
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 Accounts Payable	-25.94
Total for Accounts Payable	-\$25.94
Credit Cards	
25020 PNC Business 5243	-19,423.10
25000 PNC Business 9510	3,028.68
25030 PNC Business 9536	1,400.85
25040 PNC Business 3101	3,850.42
25060 PNC Business 9528	1,548.34
25060 PNC Business 4224	7,308.43
Total for 25020 PNC Business 5243	-\$2,296.38
Total for Credit Cards	-\$2,296.38
Other Current Liabilities	
20300 Sales Tax Payable	23,370.15
20400 MUCC-Membership	
20500 Kewadin Casino Trip	
2100 Payroll Liabilities	125.08
2110 Federal Withholding	-8,874.75
2120 Social Security	9,020.68
2130 Medicare	2,096.59
2140 State Withholding	-1,491.25
2150 MESC	-3,889.89
2160 FUTA	348.23
2170 TIPS/GRATUITY	21,704.93
City of Pontiac	
Federal Taxes (941/943/944)	-3,276.63
MI - Cities Res Tax	
MI Income Tax	292.34
MI Unemployment Tax	921.21
Total for 2100 Payroll Liabilities	\$16,976.54
30100 Archery Fundraising Account	27,629.22
30200 Sport Fishing Fundraising Acct	1,129.73
30300 DR Wilson Fundraising Account	18,400.60
30350 BST/RP Steel Bldg	
30400 Parking Lot Main Club	3,634.00
30600 Muzzle Loaders Fundraising	2,500.00
42350 Shotgun Fundraising Account	24,675.58
63637 Gift Cert Exp.	-200.00
Michigan Department of Treasury Payable	55.71
State of Michigan Liquor White Payable	-765.60
Sales Tax Payable	765.60
Total for State of Michigan Liquor White Payable	0.00
Total for Other Current Liabilities	\$118,171.53
Total for Current Liabilities	\$115,859.21
Long-term Liabilities	
Total for Liabilities	\$115,859.21
Equity	
30130 Retained Earnings	1,468,446.37
Net Income	149,036.81
3000 Opening Balance Equity	
Total for Equity	\$1,617,483.18
Total for Liabilities and Equity	\$1,733,342.39

OCSC 2025 SUMMER BOWLING-PIN FUN SHOOTS

On the OCSC Action Pistol Range, Bay #1
August 10 & 24, September 7 & 21, 4 PM to ?

Center-fire and Rim-fire pistol, revolver and pistol caliber carbine (PCC). .22lr to 45acp. No magnums.
Up to three shooters at a time, tables/stands of five pins must be cleared as quickly as possible.
(Other stands may also be used.) Range 21 feet.

Pin bottoms, tops, or full pins depending on caliber and your choice.
Cost is \$5 for members, \$10 for guests for the day.

While the Steel Plates shoots are not currently scheduled, watch the Pins & Plates video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAl9-MxxUnA>

Unlike past years, the Pin-Shoots will be run afternoons, usually after another match, up to twice a month.

These are "Fun Shoots", not matches, with the emphasis on improving your skills and safety, and is a good place for new shooters to get started without the pressure of the other shoots O.C.S.C. provides.

Email questions to: Rob Bauer at: robbauer1@netscape.net

Bring your friends, family and coworkers, and make sure to have plenty of ammo for the day!

**View the updated
calendars on the
website!**



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to get that extra edge...



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All Sportsmen Members can call Kelli at

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Ask for the "Sportsman Shooter Eye Exam"
248-620-1100

5874 Dixie Hwy ◦ Clarkston, MI ◦ 48346

Outdoor Range Update:

Starting Sunday, May 11, 2025, the 100 yard outdoor range will be open during the following times with Range Safety Officers present. During these times, standard 100 yard range rules apply. Please follow the instructions given by the Range Safety Officers at all times. The range will remain closed at times other than those listed below except for scheduled organized events and practices.

Sunday: 10 AM - 1 PM

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10 AM - 1 PM

Wednesday: 3 PM - 6 PM

Thursday: 3 PM - 6 PM

Friday: 3 PM - 6 PM

Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM

Other closures will occur as repairs and range updates can be scheduled.