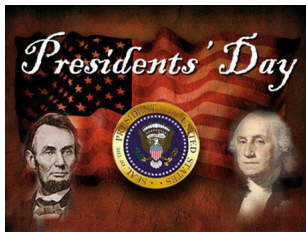


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February 11th



February 19th



February 13th



DON'T FORGET TO COME ON IN TO EAT & DRINK AT THE OCSC BAR!

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

Kitchen Hours Sat & Sun 1pm-5pm (Bar open till 6pm)

Kitchen Hours Tue-Thur Noon-10pm
(Bar open till 11pm)

Friday Bar Hours Noon-8pm

Kitchen open Noon-8pm
(full bar menu)

Every Friday Fish Fry
Noon-8pm

Saturday & Sunday Bar & Kitchen open from 12-5

The club calendar is on the last page of this magazine. Special events, tours, and meetings are listed. To see the full calendar of events, go to our website at OCSC.CLUB



From the President

Happy New Year! Let's start this new year off with a bang!

Archery leagues are up and running with good attendance, and two of our groups are braving the cold; Shotgun and Muzzleloaders!

Everyone owes it to themselves to come out to the Muzzleloaders clubhouse, (back in the campground if you don't know where it is). Bring eye and ear protection, and chances are someone will put a smoke pole in your hands and let you see what it's all about. Maybe you can try your hand at throwing a knife and hawk!

Last but not least we will be having special events in our bar January 19th and a bon fire, and on January 27th we're having a comedy show with 4 comedians.

February 3rd we are having the Oakland County Sportsman Club derby, which is a fundraiser for ladies adventure day. If you've never witnessed, it look it up on line, it's a lot of fun!

Last, but not least, we are having lots of special football playoff parties. We hope to be rooting for our Lions to go all the way to the Super Bowl (no, I didn't fall and hit my head!)

Anyway, hope to see everybody at the club! Watch for eblasts and calendar items.

See you at the club, Gary



Vice President's Corner

Happy New Year to all!

Last night was band night at OCSC and it was a huge success. It was very well attended and the kitchen and the bar were busy. It was nice to see that kind of attendance in spite of the nasty weather. Many thanks go out to all the volunteers who helped at this event. Comedy night is the 27th of January and tickets are still available.

Now is the time to renew your membership and maybe even try to bring in a new member or two. This club has a lot to offer and so many people have no idea we are here. Because of that, we're looking at ideas to enhance our entrance and use new signage to help prospective members know we are here.

Elections are coming up soon for positions on the Boards and committees. If you have an interest in serving your club in a leadership position, contact anyone on the Board with your interest.

We are always looking for volunteers for work bees and events. Please consider helping to gain volunteer hours. It's rewarding work and a good way to meet other club members. If you want to get on a volunteer work list, please call the office or call me. It takes a lot of people to keep this club looking great and to make special events successful. Kitchen help is always needed, and is really appreciated.

See you around the club!

Warren Pratt
OCSC 1st Vice President



Club Manager's Notes

Once again my article this month is specific to growing the membership.

Last month, your Board of Directors approved a mass mailing, which you will be getting soon, to remind you of renewing your membership and ways to do it.

As all of you know by now, a full membership provides a myriad of efforts here at the club. Repairs and upgrades to all the facilities is foremost to sustain the operation at current levels and to provide new opportunities for improvement.

I truly hope you enjoy all the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club has to offer and you will renew your membership soon and continue to be a part of this historic facility.

Chris Myers,
Club Manager

2024 Membership Renewal Form

2024 OCSC Dues and Range Key renewals are due on or before Mar 1st, 2024

No other invoice or statement will be mailed to you!

Your range key will no longer be active March 1st unless renewed w/membership.

A Late Fee of \$25.00 will be applied to all membership renewals received between March 1st and March 31st

April 1st you are no longer a member of OCSC and will need to reapply to become a member.

In order to process your request without issue, please print clearly!

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Secondary Phone: _____

Email: _____ Spouse: _____

Today's Date: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Emergency Contacts:

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

You can pay by mail with a Check, Visa or MC (a 4% fee will be charged for all credit/debit cards),
Requests with a postmark dated after March 1st must include a \$25.00 late fee, or will be returned.

You can pay in person:

Membership renewals will be accepted at the Club Office during the posted office hours. If you want to apply work hours to your dues renewal, you must present your 2022 membership card(s) with work hours clearly signed and dated.

Payment by; Cash, check, Visa or MC (a 4% fee will be charged for all credit/debit cards), accepted at office window.

You can pay by phone:

Membership renewals will be accepted by phone using either VISA or MC (a 4% fee will be charged for all credit/debit cards), and will be accepted from **10am until 4:30pm any normal business day**. Work hours **cannot** be claimed if renewing by phone.

You can pay online:

Membership renewals can be done online on our website, VISA or MC will be accepted (a fee will be charged for all online transactions), 2023 Work hours will need to be uploaded to be used for a due's reduction. Remember to check off all that apply to your renewal, cards will not be mailed unless postage is paid for. Please allow up to 5 to 7 business days for processing.

2024 OCSC Renewal Rates

	General Member (under 62 years of age)	Young Adult (18 to 22 years)	Senior Member (62 years of age & older)
With no work hours your dues are	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$165.00
With 10 work hours your dues are	\$225.00	\$112.50	\$140.00
With 20 work hours your dues are	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$125.00
With 35 work hours your dues are	\$155.00	\$ 77.50	\$100.00
With 50 work hours your dues are	\$105.00	\$ 52.50	\$ 75.00

2024 OCSC Renewal Worksheet

Your renewal Rate \$ _____

Range key renewal(s) \$20/card \$ _____

\$25.00 late fee due if received in OCSC office between March 1st and April 1st \$ _____

\$2.00 for postage or include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want membership card and receipts mailed to you \$ _____

4% charge for using a credit / debit card Visa or Master Card no other cards accepted..... \$ _____

Total amount due \$ _____

Visa / MC # _____ Security Code: _____ exp _____ / _____

Make check payable to OCSC and remit to: OCSC, 4770 Waterford Road, Clarkston, MI 48346



WATERFORD HILLS ROAD RACING (WHRRRI) STICKY TIRES NEWS LETTER

Autorama will be here soon! Sign up on the forum or email me to come down and work our booth. It will be at Cobo, March 1, 2 and 3. We have 6 excellent cars to show, we usually come home with multiple trophies. Aside from that, while you are there you will get to see some of the finest automobiles on the planet. The work some of these shops turn out is amazing! If you volunteer, we will pay your admission, you just pay to park.

Thanks to the recent cold/snow episode, the track is probably inaccessible. It sits, looking forlorn, waiting for next season. The paddock repaving is nearly done. Preliminary work and the first course of paving are done. The final inch and a half of pavement will go down sometime in April, depending on temperature.

February and March are the months for signing up and paying dues. Make sure your physical is current, pay your OCSC dues and come see Jerry Morlewski at the meeting.

Since we are in our winter racing doldrums, there isn't much more to say, except my usual plea for racers to also embrace volunteering. We always need help! It is usually fun, sometimes a PITA, but always rewarding. Try it! Also, come up to the Clubhouse. It is our club too. The food is good, reasonably priced, the staff is fantastic, especially the two Kims behind the bar and the beer is cold and cheap.

Brian Murphy
President, WHRRRI



NEW MEMBERS

Lijo Antony
James Bovenzi
Michael Hanlon
Brian Kinnie

Lucas Koppen
Matt LaLone
Brian Martinez
Jeffrey McClain

Edward Ramirez
Juan Rivera
Zachary Roemer
Robert Stebbins

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THIS IS 21 AND OLDER EVENT

MICHIGAN NIGHT AT THE RACES

**TO SUPPORT THE 3RD ANNUAL
LADIES ADVENTURE DAY**

**DATE:
SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 3,
2024**

**DOORS OPEN:
5PM**

**DINNER:
6PM**

**RACES BEGIN:
7PM**

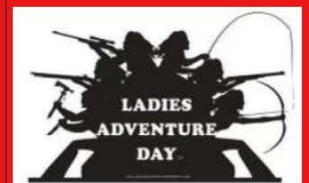
**LOCATION:
OAKLAND COUNTY
SPORTSMAN'S
CLUB (OCSC)
4770 Waterford Rd
Clarkston, Michigan**

- *Come experience the fun and excitement of the “Derby” via virtual thoroughbred racing.*
- *Wear your finest derby hats and bring your wallets.*
- *Wager on your favorite horses throughout 10 sponsored races.*



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Monique Matson – 248-431-5867

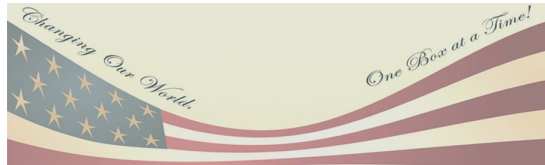


Desert Angels at OCSC

Desert Angels will be taking a winter break, January and February. We will resume in person packing at the club in March.

You can drop off items at the club anytime, please leave your donations in the blue bin outside of the club office.

Contact Louise @ 248 736 6403
or Louise@TheDesertAngel.org



The Friends of the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for the "Mystery Safe" raffle! Our raffle this year raised over \$ 10,000 for the main club!

Our winners this year were:
Third Prize of \$250 - Rich Tiberg
Second Prize of \$500 - Jeff Quinn
Grand Prize of the safe and contents:
Chuck Lester
Congrats to all our winners!

Special thanks goes out to our donors!

Shotgun Club, WHRRI, Fishing Club,
Archery Club, James Davies, Theresa
Ulrich, Todd Moss, Conrad Miesiak,
James Vlaz, Chris Myers



2024 SHOTGUN RAFFLE



FIRST PRIZE

Browning Citori CX 12ga
Over/Under w/ 28" Barrels
All wood Stock & Forearm,
w/ 3 choke Tubes (F/M/IC)

2nd PRIZE

16" Craftsman Gas Chainsaw

3rd PRIZE

\$100.00 Cash

Tickets available at
Shotgun Desk during normal Shooting Hours
OCSC Main Office
General Membership Meetings
or the OCSC Bar

Tickets 3 for \$10.00



Drawing Held on
March 9, 2024
at Shotgun Banquet
Need Not Be Present To Win!
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Shotgun News



SHOTGUN BANQUET QUICKLY APPROACHING

Saturday, March 9 is the shotgun banquet.

Dinner tickets are available @ \$40; dinner includes carved roast beef, chicken cordon bleu, pasta in marinara sauce, mashed potatoes & gravy, mixed vegetables, dinner rolls, butter, salad and dressing. There will be raffles, card drawings... plenty of opportunities to win prizes! Call Ron Bereznicki (248.561.1966) to order your tickets and to reserve a seat. OCSC Shotgun Club GOTY (Gun Of The Year) is a beautiful Browning Citori CX O/U 12 gauge with 28" barrel; 3 chokes (F, M & IC). Tickets are 3 for \$10 and will be available at the OCSC Main Club desk, the Shotgun Club, the OCSC bar or from any OCSC Shotgun Club desk worker. This is your chance to win a truly beautiful shotgun so buy plenty of tickets to increase your chances of winning!

WINTER SHOTGUN LEAGUE

Despite the cold, the WINTER LEAGUE has started so come on by the shotgun club and sign up! This will be a "singles" league (you do not need a partner to shoot/combine scores) that includes trap, wobble trap, skeet and 5 stand

OCSC SHOTGUN CLUB HOURS

The OCSC Shotgun Club is open for shooting to members, guests and non-members every Tuesday & Wednesday from 6 – 10 pm and every Saturday and Sunday from 11 am – 4 pm. The club sells 12 and 20 gauge ammunition (lead shot only). Come on out and give shotgun shooting a try... we offer trap, wobble trap, skeet (steel shot only), 7-yard & 12-yard upland angles, 5-stand and flurry.

OCSC Shotgun Club Officers

Congratulations to the OCSC members elected to serve as Shotgun Club Officers for the 2024 calendar year:

Michael Graham President
Ron Bereznicki Vice President
Mike Stoutenburg Treasurer
Ed Kaiser Secretary
Dan Valentini Special Events

Michael Graham
President
OCSC Shotgun Club



Shadow



We are saddened to say that OCSC Life Member Ralph Battishill passed away on January 4, 2024. He is survived by his wife Pat. We have no further information at this time.

The OCSC family will miss Ralph and we send our heartfelt condolences to his wife, family and friends during this sad time.



2024 SATURDAY INSTRUCTIONAL

ALL SKILL LEVELS | AGE 8 AND UP

The 2024 Saturday Instructional Program pairs trained instructors with all levels of Archers to teach the basics of archery. OCSC Provides all equipment, or BYO.

DATES / TIMES

The program runs weekly, January 6 through March 9.
Participants Pay as you go, no weekly commitment.

First Clinic: 8:00 – 9:30am
Second Clinic: 10:00 – 11:30am

PRICING:

One-time \$5 Registration Fee per attendee
Adults per clinic, \$5 for Member, \$10 for Non-Member
Kids per clinic, \$5 regardless of membership status

QUESTIONS?

Please call Monique @ (248) 431-5867, or visit the OCSC Archery Club at 4775 Waterford Rd., Clarkston

D.R. Wilson Rifle and Pistol Club & Action Pistol Range



Even though we are in the middle of Winter, we are preparing for the 2024 outdoor match season. Hopefully Spring will come early and we will be able to start hosting matches on the APR in March. 2024 will bring some additions to the match schedule. This year, every Wednesday will be a match with two SCSA (Steel Challenge) and at least on USPSA match occurring from 5-10 pm on those days. We will add in other match types as well such as Rimfire Challenge, PCSL and Action Steel. If there is enough turn out and interest, we may hold matches on Tuesdays from 5-10pm as well. All matches will be posted on Practiscore and look for an update to the club calendar in the next month regarding this schedule.

Until that time, please enjoy the following indoor shooting events:

PPC - Mondays 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Thursdays 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Bullseye - Tuesdays 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Senior Rifle - Wednesdays 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm
IDPA & USPSA Practice - Saturdays 8:30 am – 12:00 pm
Pins - Sundays 6 pm – 9 pm



The Clan of the Wolf

Shooting a Muzzleloader at a target can be a blast. Hunting with a muzzleloader can be over the top fun. Muzzleloader deer hunting tends to be late in the season when the woods are once again quiet, and the weather gets really cold and snowy. By then most hunters are done dragging trophies and ice fishing is on their minds. The muzzleloader hunters are after that big smart buck that made it past the first waves of hunters and still kicking. The rut is over, and deer are starting to yard up to make it through the winter.

In some ways, deer hunting with a muzzleloader is a bit like an archery hunt. Usually up close and personal with your quarry, not a lot of pressure from other hunters. And just like archery, you tend to only get one shot so you better make it count. Although a modern muzzleloader can shoot accurately out to three hundred or more yards, it is more likely to be a 100-yard shot or less, sometimes much less. When archery hunting, I make it a point to watch my arrow fly and see how the deer reacts to the shot. I like to make note of the direction the deer heads, remember trees it passes and compass direction it runs. I planned to follow that same process for my first muzzleloader kill, but I quickly learned I may need a different approach. Squeeze off a muzzleloader shot at a deer and all you're gonna see is smoke. No chance to see the deer react. Luckily when my smoke cleared, I was able to see a leg pointing to the sky twitch at 40 yards!

Once a muzzleloader deer is harvested, it is usually much easier to recover if there is snow. Once recovered they may be much easier to drag over the snow. I'm not getting any younger and the drags are getting tough, so anything making a drag easier is a bonus. Having some good buddies to help drag is a must.

Kerry Bush



OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

37th Annual

WINTER FUN SHOOT 2024

January 7th 14th 21st 28th February 4th 11th 18th 25th

Come out and join us for this year's Winter Fun Shoot! There will be rifle and tradegun matches, each scored separately. Prizes will be awarded each week for both. No Aggregate prizes will be awarded for this year's WFS.

Be there early! Registration will start at 10:00 am and end at NOON. The registrar will have the discretion to allow late shooters.

The fee for non-members will be \$60 (if you pay in advance) for all 8 weeks or \$10 per week.

The fee for OCSC Muzzleloader Club members will be \$30 (if you pay in advance) for all 8 weeks or \$5 per week.

Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be available. The campfire is always hot, so bring something to cook and share if you so desire. The shooters are always hungry.

For more information call: Ron Estrada at (248) 736-0501 or email ronestrada20@gmail.com.

If you're coming to the Winter shoot, please bring your mess kit items with you. We have been getting by without all the plastics and Styrofoam stuff that costs us money, fills up trash bags and really makes our area unsightly for a traditional shoot.

Thanks!

Archery Club News



The Winter Archery Leagues are underway as well as the Instructional Archery Programs. We have very good attendance again this year for the Instructional Programs and several of the Leagues are at full capacity!

I want to thank Jennifer Shelden for the wonderful job she has done creating flyers for the Winter Leagues and Instructional Archery!

The Indoor 3D shoots have also started for the Winter. These shoots take place the second Sunday of the Month. They start at 9:00am and run until 2:00pm. Show up and shoot anytime between these hours. These are fun shoots with 30 3D targets on the nice warm indoor range. What a great way to spend a cold Sunday!

There are a couple of events you will want to get on your calendar!

On March 16th and 17th we will be holding the Club Championship. On Saturday the line time is 5:00pm and Sunday's line time is 10:00am.

On the weekend of March 23rd and 24th we will be holding the Tri County 420 NFAA tournament. Line times on Saturday the 23rd are 1:00 and 5:00pm and on Sunday the 24th the line times are 10:00am and 2:00pm.

Come join us at the monthly Archery Club Meeting. The meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month in the Archery Club Building starting at 7:00pm.

Our entire 2024 Archery Schedule is posted on our Archery Website listed below.

I encourage you to check the Archery Club Website often at <http://ocsc-archery.org> for the latest club news as well as our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/OcscArchery>.

Come out and enjoy your Archery Club this winter, it's a great way to spent time with friends!

Mike McGinnis
Archery Club President

PPC at OCSC

The 2024 Spring PPC Match is happening!

OCSC PPC will host an organized match at the DR Wilson range house on Friday March 1st (3 - 9 pm), Saturday March 2nd (9 am – 5 pm) and Sunday March 3rd (9 am – 3:30 pm). Following the close of competition, there will be a PPC banquet in the main lodge. Details about the match, prizes (yes, there will be guns awarded to class winners) and banquet will be presented in the next OCSC newsletter.

Come on out and start practicing!

Winter league has begun but it's not too late to sign up and get involved! So come out and join in on the fun!

PPC shoots each Monday morning from 9 am to 12 noon and each Thursday evening from 6 pm to 9 pm in the DR Wilson range. Shooting is fun and challenging... shoot 60 rounds in 4 courses of fire for accuracy in a specified amount of time (each COF is timed). Shoot kneeling, sitting, prone, strong hand and weak hand. Come out and challenge yourself!

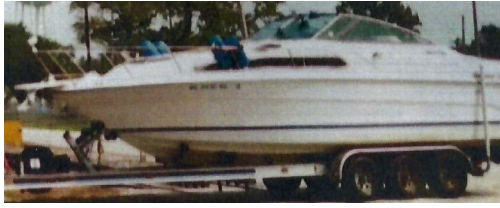
For information on PPC, call Michael Graham @ 248-417-5951.

Michael Graham
Director
OCSC Police Pistol Combat (PPC)



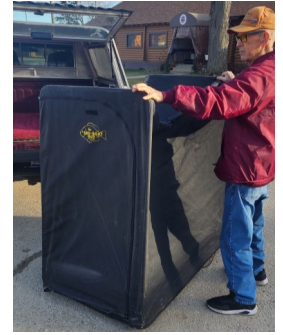
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1989 SeaRay 268 Sundance For Sale - \$18,000 OBO



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 12 volt oil removal system
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 Two burner stove 110 & alcohol
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Bill is a member of the NRA, Colt Collectors' Association, Michigan Antique Arms Collectors.

He holds his U.S. Federal Firearms License (CC&R), Canada Possession & Acquisition License (restricted & non-restricted). Bill also buys, sells, and trades firearms as well as gives appraisals.

Give Bill a call at 586-615-5050 to see if he has what you're looking for!

For sale like new Hoyt Stratos bow with tons of extras included. Bow was purchased October 2022 and I've only shot 150 arrows through it. Here is the list of everything that's included: **Hoyt Stratos 40 Bow, Achieve XP sight, Trinity arrow rest, Shrewd carbon fiber stabilizers, Avalon arrow quiver, Gold tip arrow case, Aurora Pro Line Bow case**

If interested, please text 586-991-9627 Thanks! **Price: \$2250**



16'9" Crestliner Boat. Only used 5 times. Owner has health issues. \$25,000. Boat is located in Oakland County Text or call Ambria with questions 248-980-3880.



Please send your detailed "classified ad" email to: ocscmag@comcast.net
 (Please be aware the magazine goes to press over a week before it is sent out)

Ads will need to be in by the first Wednesday of each month to be published in the following publication.
Let us know that your stuff has been sold!

FEBRUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
CLUB OFFICE HOURS Tues-Sat 9am-5pm Closed Sun-Mon				1 MMRA Mtg 7pm	2	3 Club Tour 11am/ Main Lobby Michigan Night at the Races, Doors open at 5pm, Dinner at 6pm, Race starts at 7pm
4 Office Closed Muzzleloaders Winter Fun Shoot 10am	5 Office Closed Exec Board Mtg 7:30	6 7pm Boy Scouts	7 WHRRRI Mtg 7pm Muzzleloader Mtg 7pm	8	9	10 Club Tour 11am/ Main Lobby
11 Office Closed Archery Indoor 3D Shoot 9-2pm Muzzleloaders Winter Fun Shoot 10am	12 Office Closed BOD Mtg 7:30	13 7pm Boy Scouts	14 DR Wilson Mtg 7pm 	15 Friends Mtg 7pm	16	17 Club Tour 11am/ Main Lobby Archery Smackdown Starts at 6pm
18 Office Closed Muzzleloaders Winter Fun Shoot 10am	19 Office Closed	20 7pm Boy Scouts	21 Fishing Club Mtg 7pm Archery Mtg 7pm	22	23	24 Club Tour 11am/ Main Lobby
25 Office Closed Muzzleloaders Winter Fun Shoot 10am	26 Office Closed	27 7pm Boy Scouts Shotgun Mtg 7pm	28 Women's Aux Mtg 4:30pm New Member Orientation Indoor Range 6:30 till 8pm General Membership Meeting 8pm	29	Kitchen Hours Sat & Sun 1pm-5pm (Bar open till 6pm) Sat & Sun Breakfast served 12-4 Kitchen Hours Tue-Thur Noon-10pm (Bar open till 11pm) Friday Bar/kitchen Hours Noon-8pm (full bar menu) Every Friday Fish Fry Noon-8pm	

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CALENDAR ONLY REFLECTS SPECIAL EVENTS, CLUB CLOSINGS, AND CLUB MEETINGS. THERE IS NOT ENOUGH ROOM TO POST ALL LEAGUE INFO. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR THE FULL CLUB CALENDAR AS WELL AS THE RANGE CLOSING PAGE. <https://ocsc.club/club-calendar-events/>