

ARTICLE 6

NAME

The name of this organization shall be The Emerald Empire Gun Club, Inc., herein after referred to as "the Club". It shall be associated with the River Road Park and Recreation District and shall remain in such association at the pleasure of the District. The Club shall be organized as a non-profit corporation, and District Headquarters at 1400 Lake Drive shall serve as the Corporation's Registered Office.

ARTICLE 7

OBJECT

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized shooting among citizens of the United States resident in our community, with a view toward a better knowledge on the part of such citizens of the safe handling and proper care of firearms, as well as improved marksmanship, and furnishing a safe place for the public to shoot. It shall be our further object and purpose to forward the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self-reliance which are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

ARTICLE 8

MEMBERSHIP

(a) Any citizen of the United States 17 years of age or over may become a member of this organization on vote of the Executive Committee after subscribing to the following pledge and on payment of the prescribed fees and dues.

The NRA Pledge

I CERTIFY that I am a citizen of the United States of America and that I am not a member of any organization or group which has as any part of its program the attempt to overthrow the Government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions by force or violence; that I have never been convicted of a crime of violence, and if admitted to membership I will faithfully endeavor to fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

(b) Associate Clubs. Any other club affiliated with the National Rifle Association and or the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association, and or the Oregon State Rifle and Pistol Association, whose objectives are similar to those of this club may be considered an associate club upon the payment of the appropriate dues and the approval of the general membership. Associate clubs and members will have all the rights and responsibilities of the regular members except they shall not hold office or vote, and individual members shall not receive monthly bulletin.

(c) The Emerald Empire Junior Gun Club shall be the Junior Division of the Club. Individual members of the junior club shall be granted full membership in the senior club upon reaching their seventeenth (17) birthday; at age eighteen (18) they shall be dropped from the rolls of the junior club.

(d) Membership in the Club shall entitle the principal holder, spouse, and children under 18 years living at the same address as the principal holder, to use of the range facilities under conditions established by the Executive Committee; [REDACTED]

(e) The Principal membership holder and spouse shall have one vote each.

ARTICLE 9
DUES AND FEES

- (a) Membership dues shall be established by the Executive Committee and approved by the Club general membership.
- (b) Junior Club dues shall be established by the members of the junior division, subject to approval of Executive Board of Senior Club.
- (c) Charter members shall be granted life-time in-district membership privileges. This section is not subject to the provisions of Article 17 and shall not be subject to revision.
- (d) No member of the club in arrears shall be eligible to vote or enjoy any other of the privileges or benefits offered by this club.
- (e) Fees shall be established by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 10
MEETINGS

- (a) Annual. The annual meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of May. If the annual meeting shall not take place at that time the officers shall hold over until their successors shall have been elected. Officers elected at this time shall take office immediately.
- (b) Regular. The Regular business meeting of the Club shall be held quarterly at such time and place as determined by the President. The Annual Meeting shall be considered as a Regular Meeting.
- (c) Executive. The Executive Committee shall meet once a month at a time and place mutually agreed upon by the Committee members. Annual and Regular meetings may be considered as Executive Committee Meetings.
- (d) Special Meeting. A special meeting of the club may be held at any time upon the call of the President or upon the call of the Executive Committee, or upon demand in writing, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by not less than 20% of the members entitled to vote. Notice of the time, place and object of any special meeting shall be given all officers and members in good standing in writing by United States mail not less than seven nor more than 50 days prior to the date fixed for the holding of the meeting. The place of such special meeting shall be fixed by the President.
- (e) Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time on the call of the President or on demand, in writing to the Secretary, by three members of the Committee.
- (f) Quorum. Ten percent of the current general membership of the club entitled to vote, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting. If a quorum cannot be formed in two attempts, the Executive Committee shall be empowered to poll by mail, or canvas one-fifth the entire general membership determined by lot.
- (g) Three members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- (h) Resignation of any officer may be accepted by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee.
- (i) A vacancy in the Executive Committee shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Committee.
- (j) Each member of the Executive Committee shall have only one vote.
- (k) By proper amendment of the by-laws, the size and composition of the Executive Committee may vary from three to eleven, but may never consist of less than three.

ARTICLE 11
OFFICERS

- (a) The officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Officer, Chief Instructor and Range Engineer, all of whom acting together, shall constitute the Executive Committee. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote by ballot of the members in good standing present at the annual meeting of the club. They shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected. Voting shall be by secret ballot.

(b) The Executive Committee shall have general supervision and control of all the activities of the club.

(c) The Executive Committee shall not spend or authorize to be spent, or contract to spend, in excess of 100.00 in any calendar month without approval of the general membership. This provision does not apply to expenditure for the acquisition of insurance for the Club.

ARTICLE 12 DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(a) President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and of the Executive Committee. He shall be a member ex-officio of all committees, and shall perform all such duties as usually pertain to his office. He shall appoint all special, and regular committee, chairmen.

(b) Vice-President. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence or at his request. The Vice-President shall be in charge of the club library.

(c) Secretary. The Secretary shall conduct all official correspondence pertaining to the preparation and forwarding of all reports required of the club by the National Rifle Association and by the Director of Civilian Marksmanship. He shall notify the members of the Executive Committee of all meetings and shall notify all members of special and annual meetings, as required in Article V. He shall keep a true record of all meetings of the Executive Committee and of the club and have the custody of the official books and papers of the club, except the Treasurer's books of account. He shall be responsible for re-affiliating the club annually with the National Rifle Association. He shall serve as the Corporation Registered Agent and shall file the annual Corporation Report.

(d) Treasurer. The Treasurer shall account for all Club income. He will keep a detailed record of income and expenses in the proper categories and shall be prepared to report at any and all meetings of the Club on condition of Club finances. He shall be chairman of the Budget Committee.

(e) Chief Instructor. The Chief Instructor shall be in charge of all small arms instruction and shall have authority to appoint his assistants. He shall be Chairman of the Junior Committee.

(f) Executive Officer. The Executive Officer shall have operational charge of the ranges of the Club, and arranging of competitions.

(g) Range Engineer. The Range Engineer shall supervise construction, maintenance, and repair, of the physical properties of the range. He shall be Chairman of the Range Committee.

ARTICLE 13 COMMITTEES

(a) Composition of all committees shall be determined by the appropriate committee chairman

(b) No committee or committee chairman shall contract bills without authorization of the Executive Committee.

(c) 1. Standing Committees

A. The Junior Committee. The Junior Committee shall be responsible for the promotion of shooting for the children and young people of the community. The Junior Committee shall act as the sponsoring committee required for affiliation of a Junior Club with the National Rifle Association. The chairman shall be the Chief Instructor.

B. The Range Committee. The Range Committee shall be responsible for the maintenance, repair, and improvement of the physical properties of the range. The chairman shall be the Range Engineer.

- C. The Budget Committee. The Budget Committee shall prepare the annual club budget and present it to the Executive Committee for approval and submission to the general membership. The chairman shall be the Treasurer.
2. Regular Committees (Chaired by presidential appointees).
- A. The Membership Committee shall be charged with recruiting new members. It shall be required to screen applicants for acceptability according to club by-laws. The Committee shall act as a welcoming agent for new members to familiarize them with the benefits, facilities, and other members of the club.
 - B. The Statistical Committee shall keep statistical records on the club membership and shall be the statistical staff for all club sponsored events.
 - C. The Publicity Committee shall publicize the club's events and projects and attempt to maintain good public relations.

ARTICLE 14
SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

(a) Any officer may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members in good standing present at any special meeting called for this purpose. No vote on suspension or removal may be taken unless at least fifteen days' notice in writing shall have been given to the officer of the reasons for his removal and of the time and place of the special meeting at which such ballot on his removal is to be taken. At such special meeting the officer shall be given a full hearing.

(b) Any member may be suspended or expelled from the Club for any cause deemed sufficient by the Executive Committee by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members of the Committee at any regular or special meeting. No vote on suspension or expulsion may be taken unless at least fifteen days' notice in writing shall have been given to the member of the charges preferred and of the time and place of the meeting of the Executive Committee at which such charges will be considered. At such meeting the member under charges will be accorded a full hearing.

(c) Charges against any officer or member may be preferred by any member in good standing. They shall be in writing clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the Secretary, who will immediately notify the President. The President will call a meeting of the Executive Committee to hear the charges. The Secretary will give at least fifteen days' notice of the meeting to each member of the Executive Committee and to the accuser and to the accused, which notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.

(d) Any member suspended or expelled by the Executive Committee may appeal to the full membership of the club. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the Secretary who will call a special meeting of the club for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Secretary shall give at least fifteen days' notice in writing to all members of the club in good standing stating the date, time, place, and reason for such special meeting. At the meeting of the full club the Secretary will read the original charges, the supporting affidavits, and will read or display the accompanying exhibits, and will read the minutes of the special meeting of the Executive Committee at which the charges were heard and action taken. A full hearing will be given the accuser and the accused. A vote will be taken by ballot of the members in good standing present and a two-thirds vote shall be required to reverse the action of the Executive Committee.

- (e) Any official or member of the club who has been suspended or expelled by the National Rifle Association of America shall automatically stand suspended or expelled from this club immediately upon receipt of official notice by the Secretary of this club from the Secretary of the National Association.
- (f) The National Rifle Association shall be given a complete report whenever a member of the club is suspended or expelled, showing charges and action taken.

ARTICLE 15
MATCH RULES

All formal competitions held by the club will be governed by the rules and regulations laid down by the National Rifle Association of America, approved by the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and the Secretary of the Army.

ARTICLE 16
AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS

(a) Except in the matters of land leases or acquisition, insurance, relations with Public Utility entities or with the River Road Park and Recreation District or with various Municipal, County, State, or Federal Governments, neither the Club nor the Executive Committee may enter into any contract or agreement, expressed or implied, with any second party or parties, that shall have a duration of more than two years. All non-exempt contracts and agreements, unless renegotiated and renewed within two years of their date, shall be null and void.

ARTICLE 17
AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendments to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the club at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose. Upon approval of the majority of the members present such proposed amendments must be submitted to the National Rifle Association for Approval.

Approved this 21st day of May, 1973

Dorothy A. Loney
Secretary