

# Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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## March - April 2025

### March Meetings

Membership - Mar. 4 - 8 p.m.  
Directors - Mar. 18 - 7 p.m.  
Work Party - Mar. 15 - 9 a.m.

### April Meetings

Membership - Apr. 1 - 8 p.m.  
Directors - Apr. 15 - 7 p.m.  
Work Party - Apr. 19 - 9 a.m.

### May Meetings

Membership - May 6 - 8 p.m.  
Directors - May 20 - 7 p.m.  
Work Party - May 17 - 9 a.m.

## Election Results



The annual election of Directors took place at the January 7, 2025 Membership Meeting. There were five candidates on the ballot for the four open positions and one vacant position. The individuals who ran for the board and were elected were (from left):

• **Mike Gajski** • **Mike Fiorto** • **Scott Karman** • **Roni Plappert** •  
• **Wayne Perry** •

Mike Fiorto, Mike Gajski Scott Karman, and Roni Plappert filled the 4 open seats and Wayne Perry filled the vacancy on the Board, The Director's subsequently elected the following officers of the club. A complete list of the new directors, their e-mail addresses, and their term expiration dates is included on Page 7.

• **President** - **Scott Karman** • **Vice President** - **Glenn Woods**  
• **Secretary** - **John Papinchak** • **Treasurer** - **Roni Plappert** • **Membership** - **Rob Low**

## Proposed By-Law Revision

The Board of Directors is proposing a revision to the By-laws. The proposed revisions were read at the March Membership meeting and will be read at the April and May Membership meetings also. They will be voted on at the May Membership meeting.

The revisions are presented on Pages 9-16

## New Shooter Seminar

The Club is scheduling a one-hour New Shooter Seminar for our members at no charge. on Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 pm. It will cover topics covered in the standard NRA basic pistol course. To sign up for the seminar, please contact John Papinchak at [j.r.papinchak@gmail.com](mailto:j.r.papinchak@gmail.com).

## Children's Gun Safety Workshop

In the interest of public safety and the desire to educate our children on the hazards of playing with firearms and to help prevent accidents none of us ever want to see happen, the Carrick Sportsmen's Club is offering the NRA "Eddie the Eagle" Children's Gun Safety Workshop on Sunday, March 16 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Club, 3301 Ridge Road in South Park. The program, which is open to the public, is designed to teach children four simple, easy to remember steps to do if they ever come across a gun.

• **Stop!** • **Don't Touch** • **Run Away** • **Tell a Grown-Up** •

Workshop materials include "A Parent's Guide to Gun Safety" which gives information on how to safely store guns to keep them inaccessible to any unauthorized users. However, children must be taught what to do if they are in a home that has not followed safety guidelines.

The program makes no judgments about firearms and no firearms will be used in the program. The only agenda the Eddie Eagle program has is to prevent accidents in children where firearms are concerned.

Registration for the program is required on/before Friday, March 14. You can register by calling or texting 412-559-5738, or e-mailing [carricksportsmenclub@gmail.com](mailto:carricksportsmenclub@gmail.com) with your name, number of children, and their ages. You can also scan the QR code (see page 8) to register online.



## Hunter Safety Course

The Club is trying to hold a hunter safety course on May 3. We are trying to schedule it with the PA Game Commission, but have been unable to do it so far. The Game Commission controls the scheduling and registration for all hunter safety class. We will let you know when we finally have it scheduled via e-mail; Facebook; and the Club Calendar along with instructions on how to register.

## Junior Shotgun Program

The Club's Junior Shotgun program will be offered again in June, 2025. For more information and to become involved in this program, please contact Chris Warden at [warden7@me.com](mailto:warden7@me.com).

## Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program is ending on March 26 and the indoor range will be open on Wednesdays after that.

The Junior Rifle Program is for shooters age 12 and up). It is held in the fall and runs the winter. There are two parts to the program - the introductory session and a practice session. The introductory session usually meets on a Sunday and covers rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, target acquisition, and shooting. The second part of the program is the practice session. After the introductory session, shooters meet to shoot the rifles and improve their shooting skills under the direction of experienced instructors. These practice sessions are held on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm.

The cost for the program includes use of the rifle, all ammunition, and the loan of eye and ear protection.

If you are interested getting involved in this program, please contact Chris Warden at [warden7@me.com](mailto:warden7@me.com).

## Club Hosting FOAC Concealed Carry Seminar

The Club is hosting a FREE concealed carry seminar on Saturday, April 12, from 9:00 a.m. noon. The seminar is being presented by the Firearms Owners Against Crime (FOAC) and State Representative Andrew Kuzma. The seminar will present the facts on PA's concealed carry permit laws, firearms safety, and PA's gun laws. There will also be a question and answer session so you will have the opportunity to have your questions answered. The event, which is open to members and nonmembers, will feature FOAC President Jim Stoker and Representative Andrew Kuzma.

**Article 1, Section 21 of the Pennsylvania Constitution clearly states that "the right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the state shall not be questioned."**

This no-cost seminar offers firearm owners the opportunity to expand their knowledge of existing gun laws and to get their questions answered about safety and responsibly exercising your right to keep and bear arms.

Seating is limited, so please RSVP to Steve Perry at [sdperry48@hotmail.com](mailto:sdperry48@hotmail.com).



### E-mail Address Request

If you are NOT receiving e-mails from the Club, please e-mail us at [CarrickSportsmenClub@gmail.com](mailto:CarrickSportsmenClub@gmail.com) with your membership number so that we can confirm/correct/add your email address to our master list. Your email will only be used for Club announcements, business, programs, and the newsletter. Thank you!

### Membership

*As of February 14, the February Directors meeting, the Club had 243 senior members, 9 junior members, and 16 associate members for a total of 268 members.*

### New Members

#### • January

There was one new member in January. She was

#### • Julia Seymour

#### • February

There were 13 new members join the Club in February. They were:

- Melanie Fitzgibbon • William Galus
- Zach Hulings • Andrew Kohr • Michael Madeja
- Daniel Picard • Hannah Picard
- Matthew Papinchak • Michael Sarraino
- Shannie Smith • Shawn Smith • Thomas Sutton
- Joseph Swidrak •

### Donations

The Club would like to thank the following members who have recently made donation along with their annual dues payment:

- Stephen Boehm • Brian Buehl
- Richard Chongaway • Alan Frisch
- Daniel Horosko • Scott Miller • Sean Neizmik
- Gary Pachel • John Pankowski • Ron Paul
- Wayne Perry • Roni Plappert • Aaron Pratt
- Thomas Skoff • Timothy Thiry
- Christopher Warden • Robert Veith
- Richard Wolk • Gim Yee

### Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The team competes against teams from other clubs in the area, with each team shooting at their home club; scores are submitted to, and tallied by, the league scorekeeper (Jan Joos).

They shoot both .22 and center fire pistols for the League, but you can shoot either or both courses of fire.

**The team really needs new shooters.** There are only 2 members on the team at the present, In fact our team and a team from Washington are combined into one team for scoring purposes, They are asking anyone who is interested to come out and give it a try. You'll get a feel for the shooting regime and meet the members of the team. You can shoot with the team but your scores will not count until you actually join the team. Please consider joining the MPRL team.

For more information, please contact Jan Joos via e-mail at [jan.joos1316@gmail.com](mailto:jan.joos1316@gmail.com).

### Club Calendar on Our Website

Secretary John Papinchak has been maintaining a Google Calendar on our website at <http://carricksportsmen.org/>. It can be found under the Events tab. The calendar is constantly updated to keep members aware of events as they come up. Check it frequently to be to stay up to date on events that might interest you.

# 2025 Dues Are Past Due!

If you have not submitted your 2025 dues by now you have been taken off of the membership rolls and you no longer have access to Club facilities. If you have any questions concerning your membership, please contact **Rob Low** at [rmlow@verizon.net](mailto:rmlow@verizon.net)

## 2025 Membership Dues

**Senior Member (Rangemaster Class) - \$110.00; Restricted Senior Member - \$82.50 (75% of the senior dues); Associate Member - \$22.00; Junior Member - \$5.00; Retired Seniors\* - \$55.00 (50% of the senior dues).  
Initiation Fee - \$50; Initiation Fee (Assoc.) - \$15; Lost Access FOB - \$5.00;  
Damaged or Inoperative FOB - No Charge**

*(\*Retired Seniors are members who are 65 years old and have been a member of the club for the previous 10 consecutive years. This also includes members who are on disability from social security, or any other Federal Agency, and have been a member of the club for the previous 10 consecutive years.)*

## Open Trap Shooting

Wednesday evening trap shooting is off through the winter, but will be resuming on April 2, weather permitting. The Sunday afternoon trap shoots have been ongoing, depending on the weather. Trap shoots are held on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. These trap sessions are open to the public. For more information on the trap shooting program, please contact Chris warden at [warden7@me.com](mailto:warden7@me.com).

The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is now \$4.00. Shooters can bring their own shotgun shells (shot no larger than 7 1/2) or they can buy shotgun shells at \$8.00 a box at the range.

## Work Parties

Work Parties are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month to do maintenance and improvements around the Club. These all-volunteer work parties are a critical part of the Club's operation. Without constant maintenance and an effort to improve the Club, members would find it more and more difficult to use the Club's facilities.

The Directors ask everyone who can to donate some time to these work parties. Lunch is provided. You don't have to be here all day, any time you can donate to this effort is greatly appreciated by the Directors and highly valued to the Club. No special skills are required; there is always a lot of maintenance required just on the grounds in the form of trimming, cutting grass, and general clean-up.

## January Work Party

There were 6 members at the January 18 work party. They were: • **Linda Karman • Scott Karman • Tyler Karman • Rob Low • Ray Schuerger and • Glenn Woods**. They replaced lights on the .22 range and repaired the ceiling in the Club meeting room.

## February Work Party

There were 7 members at the February 15 work party. They were: • **Mike Fiorito • Mike Gajski • Zack Gajski • Scott Karman • Jim Lawrence • Rob Low and • Glenn Woods**. They painted the ceiling in the Club meeting room and replaced the toilets and faucet in the Woman;s rest room.

## Gun Cleaning Class

The Club held a Members Only Gun Cleaning Class on Sunday, February 16, at 1:00 pm at the Club. We believe gun cleaning and maintenance is a MUST for firearms longevity! However, not everyone is taught or shown the proper and safe ways to clean and maintain their firearms.

The class covered handgun disassembly and assembly; proper handgun inspection; cleaning and maintenance; lubrication; and storage. Seven members attended and were very appreciative of the class and learning how to clean and maintain their firearms.

The Club is offering another gun cleaning class on Wednesday, July 2, at 6:00 pm. The Class is open to all Club members but participation is limited, so if you are interested in attending the next class, please contact John Papinchak at [j.r.papinchak@gmail.com](mailto:j.r.papinchak@gmail.com)



# Range Rules Review

Early in the year is a great time for everyone to reacquaint themselves with our policies, procedures, and practices. Please take the time to read these below rules. We would like to point out these particular safety reminders:

- Firearms are to be pointed down range at all times and no handling of any firearm when someone is down range.
- All ranges require the use of eye and ear protection by everyone on the range.
- A maximum of 5 rounds (including in the chamber) may be loaded in a firearm at a single time.
- There is no rapid fire.
- All ranges, except archery, require the use of an Empty Chamber Indicator (ECI) for each firearm when not being fired.
- When using ANY of the ranges, nothing, except for the targets, is permitted on ANY range beyond the firing line, particularly on the indoor range - except for a chronograph.

A reminder on the Club procedures; we have had a few members not following our log book and guest rules:

- All members and guests are required to fill in the required information on the range logbook before using each range; and please write legibly. This is a requirement as part of our Consent Decree with South Park Township.
- All guests, on their first visit, must complete a Visitor Information Card and the Range Waiver Form, during their first use of EACH range. Forms are at the sign-in stations. Each guest is to pay a \$5.00 range fee each time. Your guests must be attended at all times. Members are responsible for the actions of their guest and must ensure that their guests are following the range rules.
- Remember to turn off the lights and close the doors on the ranges when you leave. It is the responsibility of every club member to make sure everything is secure and cleaned up before leaving the grounds. All of the ranges and shooting positions are on camera and video tape. Everything you do on a range can be reviewed. If the Directors discover that you are not in compliance with the range rules, you will be notified of the violations once and, if the behavior continues, you risk losing your privileges and possible termination of your membership.

## The Range Rules MUST be Adhered To!

If you need a copy of the Range Rules, please contact Steve Perry at

[sdperry48@hotmail.com](mailto:sdperry48@hotmail.com)

As always, if you have any questions, please contact any of the Directors. Or, feel free to join us at the monthly Membership meetings.

## Member Lifesaving Info

We are sharing free online information that may help you to one day save a life. Please review these free resources on CPR and AED use, as well as Stop the Bleed education.

<https://www.aedcpr.com/cpr-aed-certification-training/>

<https://www.stopthebleed.org/>

We hope that they will be informative to you, and that you never need to use these. However, it is better to be informed, educated and prepared than not.

-As a reminder, we have an AED including a Stop the Bleed kit in the rear of the Club House on the wall next to the chalkboard by the pool tables.

## Club Merchandise

The Club has club-branded merchandise available online at <https://teespring.com/carrick-sportsmen-s-club-colle?pid=212>.

The newest item is a heavy blend hoodie with brushed interior. It features a double-lined hood, with pouch pocket emblazoned with the Club logo on the front. There are a few other products available - T-shirts, cups, and banner.

The Club receives a portion of all purchased items.



## Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League has been shooting on Monday evenings since September with approximately 20 shooters on average. The League is loosely organized into teams which compete against each other over the season for bragging rights. They have just about finished their season and will be shooting steel silhouettes on the indoor range at 7:00 pm on Monday evenings.

The silhouettes are metal targets that resemble rabbits, groundhogs, and pigs. Each round is timed and consists of 10 shots at each target (2 lines of 5 rounds each). There are a total of 30 shots per round.

If you would like to try shooting these silhouettes, just come to the club no later than 6:45 pm and sign in. The cost is \$2.00 per round and the winner of the round gets his money back.

You will need your favorite firearm, 30 rounds of ammunition (remember on the indoor range ammunition must have a muzzle velocity not greater than 1200 feet per second), and eye and ear protection. For questions on the silhouette shoot, please contact Steve Perry at [sdperry48@hotmail.com](mailto:sdperry48@hotmail.com).

## Lottery Calendar

The Board of Directors would like to thank all of the members for their effort in selling the lottery calendars for the January-April Lottery Calendar sale.

*Thanks to everyone from the Directors! The new Summer Lottery Calendars will be available for sale starting in April!*

## Scheduled Shoots

- **Monday Night Recreational Pistol League** - Indoor Range - Monday at 7:30 pm
- **Metropolitan Police Revolver League** - Indoor Range - Thursday at 6:00 pm
- **CSC Rifle Team** - Indoor Range - Sunday at 5:00 pm
- **Open Trap Shooting** - Trap Range - Sunday afternoon - Wednesday Evening - Resumes on Wednesday, April 3 at 6:00 pm

## The Guest Fee is \$5.00.

When you bring a guest to shoot, please remember that the guest fee is now \$5.00 per guest.

**All Ranges  
Are Open and  
Operational**

## Like Us on Facebook



Director Steve Perry maintains the Club's Facebook page. He posts current information on the page for those of you who use Facebook. The Directors ask everyone who is on Facebook to look up the

page and "Like" it. It is at <https://www.facebook.com/carricksportsmensclub/>

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Before APRIL 25!

## Having Access FOB Trouble?

*If you have trouble with your access FOB, call Rob Low at 412-651-6642  
or send an e-mail to*

[rmalow@verizon.net](mailto:rmalow@verizon.net)

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## Officers and Directors - 2025

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## Board of Directors Term Expires (Jan)

Stephen Boehm	2027
Michael Fiorito	2028
Michael Gajski	2028
Scott Karman	2028
Robert Low	2026
Denny Nill	2026

John Papinchak	2027
Roni Plappert	2028
Steve Perry	2027
Wayne Perry	2026
Christopher Warden	2026
Glenn Woods	2027



SCAN TO REGISTER



# EDDIE THE EAGLE

## CHILDREN'S GUN SAFETY WORKSHOP

Join us for an afternoon using the Eddie Eagle GunSafe program to teach children four simple, easy to remember steps to do if they ever come across a gun.

**SUNDAY**

MARCH 16, 2025

**1 - 2PM**

Carrick Sportsmen's Club



Stop!



Don't  
Touch



Leave the  
Area



Tell an  
Adult

Carrick Sportsmen's Club  
3301 Ridge Road  
South Park, PA 15129

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The NRA & Carrick  
Sportsmen's Club

QUESTIONS?

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carricksportsmenclub@gmail.com



# Proposed By-Laws Revision

The Board of Directors is proposing a revision to the By-laws which will be read at the March, April, and May Membership meetings and voted on at the May Membership meeting.

The revisions are presented below - additions are in red; deletions are crossed out.

## Article 3 - Membership

### Section 1 - Eligibility for Membership

Membership in the Club shall be open to all citizens of the United States who are of good repute, have never been convicted of a crime of violence, subscribe to the purposes and objectives of the Club, and who meet the specific requirements for the type of membership for which they apply, **including the .completion of the member waiver form.**

### Section 2 - Classes of Membership

Membership in the Club shall be composed of ~~four~~ **five** classes. Senior, **Junior**, Retired Senior, **Restricted Senior, Junior**, and Associate, who pay such dues as may be set by the Board of Directors for the respective classes of membership and meet all other requirements for membership as set forth in this article.

~~Junior Membership - applies to any individual between the ages of 12 and 17 years.~~

~~Senior Membership - applies to any individual who is over 18 years of age or reaches their 18th birthday within 6 months of application for membership, or any junior member who reaches their 18th birthday prior to the next membership year.~~

~~Retired Senior - applies to any individual who is 65 years old or older and has been a Club member in good standing for the previous ten (10) consecutive years. Also, any individual (independent of age) who has been a Club member in good standing for at least the previous 10 consecutive years and is on disability from social security or any other Federal Agency. Such individuals shall be entitled to a 50% reduction in dues as set by the Board of Directors.~~

~~Restricted Senior Membership - Because of the limited number of range master ratings available to the club from a legal agreement, the Club feels it is necessary to define a Restricted Senior Membership Class. Membership in this class shall~~ **applies to new members meeting** the age requirements of the Senior Membership **with the restriction to the indoor and archery ranges.** Restricted Senior Members can upgrade to the Senior Membership as openings in the range master class occur **permit** after they successfully complete the range master orientation/training session.

~~Junior Membership - applies to any individual between the ages of 12 and 17 years.~~ **Junior member's parents must complete the member waiver form on their behalf.**

~~Associate Membership - applies to the spouse~~ **Immediate family member (spouse, partner, child, parent) living in the same household** of a senior member in good standing. **This option is limited to 1 member of the senior member's household. Associate members may not be classified as a range master.**

## Section 3 - Application for Membership

An individual who applies for membership in the Club must submit a completed application form **and waiver form** with the appropriate initiation fee to the Chair of the Membership Committee at any regular meeting of the Club.

1. Each applicant must be nominated for membership by the Membership Chair and approved by the membership by simple majority of the members present.

2. Each applicant for membership must appear in person before the membership at a regular meeting unless the Board of Directors approves a valid ~~excuse~~ **exception.**

3. During the meeting, each applicant is introduced by the President or the Membership Chair to the membership.

4. At an appropriate time during the members meeting each new member must meet with a Range Master, or member designated by the President as the Range Master, for a copy of the Club Range Rules and brief explanation. New members will receive their membership credentials at the conclusion of the meeting, or within a reasonable time.

5. Membership Access devices (keys, fobs) are the property of the Club. Members lending their access device to anyone will have their membership revoked. Any Director or Officer of this Club may, at their discretion, take possession of the access device and membership identification card of any member. Said Officer or Director shall at the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, explain the reason for this action. Subsequent disciplinary action may then be taken in accordance with these By-Laws and other rules and regulations of the Club.

## **Section 4 - Dues and Initiation Fees**

**1. Initiation Fees are the same for full or partial year, junior or senior class applicants.**

a. Junior members that have remained in the junior rifle program for more than two consecutive years can become a senior member at age 18 without incurring an initiation fee.

b. **Associate members are not assessed an initiation fee.**

2. Dues and initiation fees of all Members, Senior and Junior, are subject to review or change by the Board of Directors at the regular September Director's Meeting, **and are to be published in the next newsletter, and announced at the October membership meeting.**

~~3. Dues for Senior Members who join after July 1 are one-half of the annual fees. Students who are Senior Members and are full-time students as defined by Federal Tax Laws as a dependent, pay 50% of regular dues. Initiation Fees are the same for full or partial year, junior or senior applicants.~~

4. Dues for Restricted Senior Members shall be 75% of the dues for senior members. Restricted Senior members who ascend to the range master class will be required to pay the Senior Membership membership fee less the amount they have already paid for membership.

~~1. Dues and initiation fees of all Members, Senior and Junior, are subject to review or change by the Board of Directors at the regular September Director's Meeting.~~

5. Associate memberships are ~~one-fifth~~ **25%** of the senior membership fee rounded up to the nearest dollar amount. No partial year discount ~~can be~~ **is** applied to this membership class **associate members**.

~~5.1. Junior members that have remained in the junior rifle program for more than two consecutive years can become a senior member at age 18 without incurring an initiation fee.~~

## **Section 5 - Rights, Privileges and Limits of Membership**

1. Except as otherwise provided in these by-laws each member shall have the right to receive the Club newsletter, attend and be heard at all meetings of the Club, compete at any matches or competitions sponsored by the Club for which they otherwise meet eligibility standards, and exercise such other rights and privileges as may be accrued by the members of Club.

2. Each new member shall be entitled to vote for Directors 60 days after being approved for membership.

3. All senior members, ~~18 years of age and over~~, shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of members and to serve on the Board of Directors (see Article 5, Section 1) and/or special committees.

4. Use of Carrick Sportsmen's Club facilities, by any person for personal financial gain is prohibited, unless otherwise authorized **in advance** by the Board of Directors.

5. Associate membership is limited to range access and use only. Range use qualifications still apply. Associate members may attend membership meetings but are not allowed to vote or be eligible for any vacancies on the Board of Directors. In the event the associated senior membership is not renewed for any reason, the associate member shall have the opportunity to upgrade their membership to a senior membership as set forth in Sections 3 and 4 less amount already paid.

6. Restricted Senior Membership shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of membership in the Club, except they cannot be designated as a range master and their access is limited to the use of the indoor range only. As a Restricted Senior Member, they can bring guests to the indoor range – following all the Range Rules.

## **Section 6 - Expiration, Suspension, and Expulsion**

### **6.1 Expiration**

Membership in the Club ~~may~~ **will** be automatically terminated on the thirtieth day following the date which renewal payments were due if dues remain unpaid. **Upon membership expiration, a member will have to re-apply for membership including an initiation fee.**

## 6.2 Suspension

The Board of Directors for any violation of these By-laws, Range Rules, or for conduct detrimental to the Club may suspend a member from membership in the Club.

## 6.3 Expulsion

No vote on suspension or expulsion of a member may be taken unless the Secretary shall have caused notice of the proposed suspension or expulsion, together with the charges which are thought to merit such action, and notification of the member's right to request a hearing on the charges, to be forwarded to the accused member not less than 15 days prior to the date of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which the vote on suspension or expulsion will be taken. If the member does not request a hearing on the charges, they will be deemed to have waived their right to a hearing on the matter and indicated their willingness to abide by the decision of the Board. If the member requests a hearing, the Board of Directors must convene a hearing within 30 days, at which time the accused member shall have the right to confront their accusers, examine the witnesses, and present evidence bearing on the charges. At the completion of the hearing, the Board of Directors by majority vote may; affirm the charges and impose a suspension or expulsion; affirm the charges and impose a lesser penalty; or reject the charges.

## 6.4 Charges

Any member of the Club in good standing may bring charges against another member, but they must be ~~made~~ **presented** in writing, with supporting documents, (if any), attached. Charge ~~should~~ **must** be submitted to the attention of the **Club** Secretary or President ~~of the Club~~.

## Section 7 - Resignations

A member may resign from the Club by ~~letter~~ **writing or email** to the **Club** Secretary or **Membership Chair** of the ~~Club~~. Resignations are effective upon the date received unless a later date ~~shall be~~ **is** specified therein. Resignation shall not release a member from any **previous incurred Club** financial obligations ~~to the Club previously incurred~~; nor shall any member be entitled to any refund of dues or fees paid to the Club.

# Article 4 - Meetings

## Section 1 - Members Meeting

The regular monthly Membership Meeting of the Club shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month. If that date occurs on a holiday, the meeting shall be held on the next Tuesday following the holiday. The regular monthly Membership Meeting of the Club may be changed by the Board of Directors provided the membership is so informed of this change ~~by mail~~ at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the said meeting.

## Section 2 - Special Meetings

A Special Meeting of the Membership may be called by the President, or by ~~21~~ **twenty-one** members who petition the Board asking the President to call a Special Meeting. Such a meeting can only take place after the Secretary sends notification ~~by mail~~ to the Membership 14 days prior to such meeting.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors may be called by the President, or by a majority of the Board of Directors. Such a meeting can only take place provided that the Board of Directors be given at least 48 hours notification prior to the meeting date by the President or their representative.

## Section 3 - Quorums

No business conducted at a meeting of the Membership, or a special meeting of the Membership, can be held binding upon the membership unless a Quorum is present.

A Quorum for a regular or special Membership meeting shall consist of at least ~~1/2~~ **one-half** of the seated members of the Board of Directors and like number of club members who are not members of the Board of Directors.

# Article 5 - Board of Directors

## Section 1 - Composition

The Board of Directors shall consist of 12 (twelve) members, elected as provided in this Article from among the members of the Club who meet the eligibility requirements as outlined in Section 2 of this Article.

**1.1 Alternates** - The Board of Directors may have up to 3 (three) alternate directors at any time. The number of alternates accepted shall be determined by a vote of the board. Eligibility for alternate director shall be as described in Article 5, Section 2, Eligibility for Board of Directors. Alternates may participate in all Board of Director meetings but shall have no voting rights as a Board Member.

## **Section 2 - Eligibility for Board of Directors**

No member shall be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors unless they have been a member of the Club for at least one full year. This eligibility requirement may be waived upon request of the Nominating Committee, and upon approval of two-thirds of the membership present at the November or December meeting. Similarly, nominations made from the floor can be waived upon request made by the mover of the nomination. The Membership Chair shall verify each nominee. **The member must also be either a Senior, Retired Senior or Restricted Senior Member.**

## **Section 3 - Board Transition to 12 (twelve) Directors**

Beginning with the elections at the Membership meeting of January 2023, 3 (three) Directors shall be elected to 3 (three) year terms. In each subsequent year, 4 (four) Directors shall be elected. All Directors whose term of office has not expired as of the January 2023 election shall continue to hold office pursuant to Section 3 (three) of the Article.

## **Section 4 - Nominations and Election of Directors**

The Board of Directors shall elect, from among the members of the Club who meet the eligibility requirements under Article 5, Section 2. A Nominating Committee **shall be chaired by the Vice President of the Board of Directors**) of five members, not more than two of which shall be members of the Board of Directors who are not up for re-election. ~~It shall be the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to present nominees for all vacancies on the Board of Directors to the voting membership at the November~~ **December and/or January or subsequent membership** meetings. At that time nominations from the floor may be made, provided that the individual who is nominated is present or accepts the nomination prior to the election. Afterwards the President shall conclude that the nominations are closed, and order the election held at the January meeting. Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of those members entitled to vote who are present and voting at the meeting. The nominees receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected. All voting shall be done by secret written ballot. Members of the Nominating Committee shall supervise and count the ballots, and the ~~chair of the Nominating Committee~~ **Chair (who is ordinarily the Vice President of the Board of Directors)** shall announce the results of the election that night ~~and with the results published~~ it in the next newsletter.

4.1 If there are votes cast for more persons than there are director seats up for election, those with the most votes shall fill the open seats. The Board may accept the remaining persons as Alternate Directors, and they shall be ranked first alternate, second alternate, third alternate, etc. by the number of votes they received at the election.

## **Section 5 - Terms of Office**

The term of office of the Director shall for three years, or until their successor is elected and qualified. The term for Alternate Directors shall be one year.

## **Section 6 - Powers and Duties**

The governing body of the Club shall be the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have supervision, control, and direction of the affairs of the Club, its committees, and publications; shall determine its policies or changes therein; shall actively prosecute its objectives and supervise the disbursement of its funds. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its business as shall be deemed advisable, and may, in the execution of the powers granted, delegate control of its authority to certain committees.

6.1 Alternate directors may fully participate in all board meetings, ~~except alternate directors shall have no voting rights on any board decisions.~~

## **Section 7 - Regular Meetings**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be on the third Tuesday of each month unless that date falls on a holiday, then the meeting shall be moved to the next Tuesday.

## **Section 8 - Special Meetings**

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President, or by signed petition of not less than one-third of the Directors, which petition shall state the matters to be considered at said special meeting. The President shall determine the time and place of such special meeting.

## **Section 9 - Quorums**

At all meetings of the Board of Directors, at least one-half of the filled seats on the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business to be binding. If a quorum is not present, the business conducted cannot be held binding unless approved by the membership at the next meeting.

## **Section 10 - Suspensions or Removal of Directors**

The Board of Directors may, in its discretion by affirmative vote of two-thirds of its members, suspend or remove any Director or Alternate Director for cause. However, no vote on such suspension or removal shall be taken until the Secretary shall have caused notice to be served upon the accused Director or Alternate Director, stating the nature of the charges thought to merit suspension or removal, and giving the accused an opportunity to request a hearing on the charges before the Board of Directors. If such a hearing is requested, it shall be conducted in the same manner as specified in Article 3, Section 6 of the By-laws. Any such suspension or removal from office shall have no effect upon the Director's or Alternate Director's status as a member of the Club.

## **Section 11 - Vacancies**

A Special Election by the Board of Directors shall fill vacancies that occur on the Board of Directors; the individual receiving the highest number of votes will fill the vacancy. Such individual shall serve to the end of that term of office. Such vacancies shall be filled from the Alternate Directors if such are available.

The Alternate Directors shall be considered for the vacant Director's seat by the Directors evaluating the first alternate and installing them in the vacant seat provided they are deemed qualified for the position. If the first alternate is not acceptable for the vacant position, they may be by-passed, and the second alternate shall be evaluated. This procedure would continue until a qualified person is chosen for the vacant position or all alternates have been evaluated. If a qualified person is not available in the group of alternates, then the Nominating Committee shall select one or more qualified candidates from the ranks of the membership and the position shall then be filled by a special election by the Board of Directors.

## **Section 12 - Compensation of Directors**

No Director or Alternate Director shall receive any salary or ~~emolument~~ **compensation** unless specifically authorized **in advance** by resolution of the Board of Directors, ~~but all such persons~~ **All Directors** shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of the Club, to such extent as may be authorized or approved by the Board of Directors.

# **Article 6 - Officers**

## **Section 1 - Number and Election**

The officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Membership Chair, and Treasurer, elected by and from the Board of Directors at the January membership meeting for one-year terms. Officers must be members in good standing of the Club, ~~and at least 21 years of age~~. No officer may hold more than one office simultaneously. The Board of Directors may establish other appointive offices as it deems proper to expedite the conduct of the affairs of the Club. (Alternate Directors are not to be officers of the Club.)

## **Section 2 - Powers and Duties**

### **2.1 President**

The President shall serve as Chair of both the Board of Directors and shall preside at all meetings thereof and at all meetings of the members. The President shall serve as a member, ex-officio, with right to vote on all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall make all required appointments of standing and special committees and the Chair thereof, subject to the confirmation of the Board of Directors. At all members meeting of the Club and at such other times as deemed proper, the President shall communicate to the members such matters and make such recommendations as may in their opinion tend to promote the welfare and increase the usefulness of the Club, and the President shall perform all such other duties as usually pertain to this office, or which shall be assigned to them by the Board of Directors.

### **2.2 Vice-President**

The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in their absence, at their request, or in the event of ~~his~~ **their** inability or refusal to act. In case a vacancy shall occur in the office of President, the Vice-President

shall become President and shall serve for the balance of the term. The Vice-President shall serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee, shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the President or the Board of Directors.

### **2.3 Secretary**

The Secretary shall attend and keep minutes of all meetings of the Club and Board of Directors. The Secretary shall see that all notices are ~~given~~ **provided** in accordance with the provisions of ~~state law and these By-Laws:~~ shall be custodian of all ~~books,~~ **agendas**, minutes, and records of the Club except the Treasurer's books of account; and shall attest to all official documents and resolutions of the Club. The Secretary shall conduct all official correspondence and perform such other duties as may be assigned to them from time to time by the President or Board.

### **2.4 Treasurer**

The Treasurer shall receive, have in charge, and be responsible for all money, bill notes, bonds, and like property coming into their possession belonging to the Club. The Treasurer shall establish and maintain proper accounting standards for the handling of the Club funds and shall be responsible for the keeping of the funds in such banks, other financial institutions, and/or investment media as shall be determined by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall report on the financial condition of the Club at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and all meetings of the membership and at such other times as called upon to do so by the President.

The Treasurer is responsible for assisting the Finance Committee in the conduct of an annual audit of the Club's books of account and preparing a statement of financial condition as of the close of each fiscal year as may be established by the Board of Directors, and shall furnish a copy of such statement, together with the audit, to each member of the Board of Directors.

At the expiration of their term of office, the Treasurer shall promptly deliver over to ~~his~~ **their** successor all books, money, and other property of the Club in their charge, or, in the absence of a successor, the Treasurer shall deliver such properties over to the President. The Treasurer shall serve as the ~~Chairman~~ **Chair** of the Finance Committee and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the President or the Board of Directors.

### **2.5 Membership ~~Committee~~ Chair**

The Membership ~~Committee~~ **Chair** shall ~~chair the Membership Committee~~ and shall receive all applications for membership in the Club; shall be responsible for the collection of all dues and shall be responsible for maintaining an accurate roster of all current members in good standing, including their mailing address and such other information as may be requested by the Board. After receipt of all dues, the Membership Chair shall forward such monies, with receipt, to the Treasurer for deposit in the Club's account as well as a copy of the current membership roster.

#### **Section 3 - Vacancies**

In the event of a vacancy in any office other than President, the vacancy shall be filled by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

#### **Section 4 - Suspension and Removal**

An officer may be suspended or removed from office, for cause, by two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors; provided however, that no vote on such suspension or removal shall be taken until the Secretary shall have caused notice to be served upon the accused officer, stating the nature of the charges thought to merit suspension or removal, and giving the accused an opportunity to request a hearing on the charges before the Board of Directors. If such a hearing is requested, it shall be conducted in the same manner as specified in Article III, Section 6 of these By-Laws. Any such suspension or removal from office shall have no effect upon the officer's status as a Director or member.

## **Article 7 - Committees**

### **Section 1 - Standing Committees**

The Club may have the following Committees/Programs as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

- Nominating
- Finance
- ~~By-Laws~~

- Membership
- Legislative
- Junior Program
- Newsletter
- Entertainment
- Trap
- Building & Grounds
- Hunter Safety
- ~~Pistol Program~~
- Archery Program
- Recreational Pistol
- **Audit**

## **Section 2 - Special Committees**

The President shall establish such special committees, as deemed necessary for the conduct of the affairs of the Club and shall appoint the members thereof.

## **Section 3 - Reporting Requirements**

At least once each year, every standing committee may submit a report to the Board of Directors and shall report at such times as may be requested by the President. Each special committee shall report at such time and place as may be specified by the President or the Board of Directors. Committees may also make written reports and recommendations to the Board of Directors at any regular or special meeting.

# **Article 8 - Finance**

## **Section 1 - Fiscal Year**

The fiscal year of the Club shall be as prescribed by the Finance Committee with approval of the Board of Directors.

## **Section 2 - Budget**

With recommendations of the Finance Committee, the Board shall adopt in advance of the next fiscal period an annual operating budget governing all activities of the Club.

## **Section 3 - Audit**

The accounts of the Club shall be audited not less often than annually by the Finance Audit Committee, who shall issue a written report to the Board.

# **Article 9 - Operating Policies & Procedures**

The Board of Directors shall create and maintain a policies and procedures manual. This manual shall be provided to each Director as well as be available to the membership, upon request. The Board of Directors shall maintain Club Range Rules and Safety Guidelines. The Range Rules and Safety Guidelines shall be provided to each Club member, posted at various locations, contained in the range logbooks. Each document shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors at least biannually.

# **Article 9 10 - Parliamentary Authority**

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, or any subsequent revision thereof shall govern the deliberations at all meetings of members and the Board of Directors, ~~unless exceptions are made herein.~~

# **Article 10 11 - Seal**

The Club shall have a seal bearing the words "Carrick Sportsmen's Club, Inc.." The seal which is impressed upon the title page of these By-laws is the corporate seal of this Club.

# **Article 11 12 - Dissolution**

The Club shall use its funds only to accomplish the objective and purposes specified in these by-laws and no part of said funds shall inure, or be distributed, to the members of the Club. Upon dissolution of the Club, after the payment of all outstanding indebtedness of the Club, including unpaid loan capital however evidenced, any funds

remaining shall be distributed to one or more regularly organized and qualified charitable, educational, scientific, or philanthropic organizations to be selected by the Board of Directors or any other non-profit organization(s) with similar “purposes and objectives” as the “Carrick Sportsmen’s Club, Inc.”

### **Article ~~12~~ 13 - Amendments**

These By-laws may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the members entitled to vote and present at any meeting of the Club duly called and regularly held. At such time, the Board of Directors shall inform the membership that copies of such proposed amendments shall be made available by the Club. Amendments may be proposed by the Board of Directors on its own initiative or by petition by any ~~21~~ **twenty-one** members entitled to vote addressed to the Board and received not less than 90 days prior to any meeting. All such proposed amendments shall be presented by the Board to the membership with or without recommendations, **published in the newsletter, and presented to the membership at the next subsequent membership meeting,** ~~such shall be considered by the members at three (3) consecutive monthly meetings, with a~~ **A** vote ~~being~~ **shall be** taken at the ~~third~~ **next membership** meeting. The amendment (s) shall be approved, or disapproved, by a simple majority. The amended By-laws shall be made available to all members of the Club from the Secretary upon request.