

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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May - June 2025

May Meetings

Membership - May 6 - 8 p.m.
Directors - May 13 - 7 p.m.
Work Party - May 17 - 9 a.m..

June Meetings

Membership - June 3 - 8 p.m.
Directors - June 17 - 7 p.m.
Work Party - June 21 - 9 a.m.

July Meetings

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

Club Lost Some Trees but Suffered No Appreciable Damage



The severe storm that swept through the region on April 29 with its high winds downing trees and cutting off power to wide areas of Southwestern PA did not spare the Club. There were a few downed trees on the property; one was uprooted and another was actually snapped in half. Fortunately, we did not sustain any damage to the buildings or trailers. Thanks to Linda Karman, Scott Karman, and Reno Baum, the shotgun range was back in service within a day. However the bulk of the tree damage needs cleaned up and will be attended to at the next work party on May 17.

Proposed Revision to the By-Laws

The Board of Directors is proposing a revision to the By-laws. The proposed revisions were read at the March and May Membership meetings and will be read again at the June Membership meeting and will be voted upon at the June Membership meeting. We urge all members to read the changes and attend the June Membership Meeting when they will be voted on! The revisions are presented on Pages 11-18.

New Director

At the Directors Meeting in April the Board of Directors appointed Reno Baum as a Director to fill Denny Nill's seat on the Board. Denny passed away in March and the Board filled the vacancy per the By-Laws.

Reno will finish out Denny's term on the Board and will now handle the Thursday Night MPRL shoot. He can be reached at crossroadssnappy97@gmail.com.

Lottery Calendars

The Lottery Calendars for the July - October 2025 lottery fundraiser are available for pick-up. Club Treasurer Roni Plappert, with the help of a few other members, sorted the lottery calendars into packets of 5 and 10. The calendars were mixed up, regrouped in random number order, and placed in large manila envelopes in groups of 5 or 10 along with the white return envelope.

The directors again urge everyone to sell as many Lottery Calendars as you can because this is a major fundraiser for the club. We are striving to reach the point where we sell all of the tickets for each calendar lottery fundraiser. Each lottery calendar is only \$10 and has a 3-digit number which is good for the PA evening 3-digit number and is good for the months of July through October. You can pick them up at the Club at Membership meetings, Director's meetings, or when the Club is holding a scheduled activity like the Monday night pistol shoot or the trap shoots on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

Stubs **MUST** be returned before July 1. Please note that winning calendar payments are not retroactive. Prize eligibility begins on the date the stubs are turned in. To be valid for payment, tickets must be either turned in at the Club or the sale must be verified by e-mail (see below) or phone call (to the Club message line at 724-348-7941) by June 30. If you have sold tickets but can't return the stubs to the Club before the deadline, you can call and leave your name and a brief message that envelope number "X" was sold or that tickets "a, b, and c" were sold. You can also send an e-mail to any of the Club Directors stating the envelope number and which tickets were sold. (All of the Director's e-mails are listed at the end of this newsletter.) Either message will trigger eligibility on the sold tickets.

NEW BRASS POLICY

A new brass policy has been implemented by the Board. At their meeting on February 20, the Board voted to adopt a new brass policy. It is as follows:

All brass, once fired, is considered "lost brass." You may collect your own brass that is on or behind the firing line only when firing has ceased, and all firearms have been made safe. Brass from other shooters and all brass that falls on in front of the firing line may be collected only when the range is all clear for shooters to proceed in front of the firing line.

Brass that is disposed into the Club's brass collection receptacles becomes the property of the Club. The brass is sold for scrap. The proceeds from the sale of the brass will be applied to the Club's general fund.

Hunter Safety Course

The Club is holding a hunter safety course on Sunday, May 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any one interested in attending the course can register at the PA Game Commission website at register-ed.com/events/view/228601.

All first-time hunters, regardless of age, must successfully complete hunter education training before they can buy a Pennsylvania hunting license.

Woman's Only Basic Pistol Class

The Club is holding another beginner firearms class for women only on Saturday, June 28, from 9:00 a.m. till about 2:00 p.m. The course will be taught by Amy Hess, a certified instructor, and will cover safe firearm handling, range etiquette, basic handgun fundamentals, and protection layering. Amy is an NRA Certified Basic Pistol Instructor, a Certified Range Safety Officer, an NRA "Refuse to be a Victim" Certified Instructor, an NSSF First Shots Facilitator/Instructor, a USCCA Certified Concealed Carry and Home Defense Instructor, and a 2022 graduate of the FBI Citizens Academy.

This class is designed for beginners and those who need a refresher in basic firearms skills. If you know a woman who might be interested in the class, please have her contact Steve Perry at sdperry48@hotmail.com. The class is limited to 10 to 12 participants. If the class is full we will put you on a waiting list for future classes.

The Club understands that firearms can be frightening and intimidating for women, so we are inviting women to attend this class where they can learn safety awareness, proper handling techniques, how handguns work, and how to safely protect themselves in a safe, controlled, non-intimidating environment. These classes are designed to introduce women to firearms and the concept of self-protection.

If you do not have a firearm, the club will have .22 pistols available to use along with eye and ear protection. The fee for the class is \$45.00 for members and \$60.00 for non-members. Please register early as this class always fills up fast.

To register for the class please contact Steve Perry at sdperry48@hotmail.com.

Gun Cleaning Class □

The Club is holding another Members Only Gun Cleaning Class on Wednesday, July 2, at 6:00 a.m. 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 covers handgun disassembly and assembly; proper handgun inspection; cleaning and maintenance; lubrication; and storage.

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.

Club Hosted FOAC Concealed Carry Seminar



The Club hosted a free concealed carry seminar on Saturday, April 12. The seminar was sponsored by the Firearms Owners Against Crime (FOAC) and State Representative Andrew Kuzma. The seminar presented the facts on PA's concealed carry permit laws, firearms safety, and PA's gun laws.

Concealed Carry Permit

If you do not already have your license to carry a firearm for PA - the Board of Directors is suggesting you strongly consider obtaining it. As a firearm owner, it affords you protection when transporting your firearm from/to home and to/from the range. This is important in case that you ever need to stop somewhere between your home and the range.

The Allegheny County Sheriff's Office has great information about the process online at sheriffalleghenycounty.com/firearms/.

They make it super easy to obtain your permit!

The Allegheny County Sheriff's Office Firearms Division is located on the ground floor of the Allegheny County Criminal Courthouse at 436 Grant Street in Downtown Pittsburgh. The office can be accessed through the Forbes Avenue archway of the courthouse. The Sheriff's Office Firearms Division handles the issuance of licenses to sell firearms and licenses to carry firearms and is typically open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with the exception of holiday and satellite events.

By state law, the Sheriff has the responsibility to process all applications to carry handguns in Allegheny County and to issue licenses to all those applicants who qualify based on an extensive background investigation done by the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff also licenses all firearms dealers in the county.

They also sponsor several satellite registration events so that you do not have to go downtown to the County Building. Two such events are coming up this fall in Jefferson Hills and South Park:

- Saturday, September 13, in Jefferson Hills at 925 Old Clairton Road from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, October 18, in South Park at 2575 Brownsville Road from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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.

In Memoriam **Denny Nill**

October 9, 1947 - March 11, 2025

Denny Nill, an active Director of the Club, passed away on March 11, 2025 at the age of 77. He was a member of the Club for 39 years, joining the Club in 1986, and was a member of the Board of Directors for at least 30 of those years. He enjoyed shooting and was a competitor at Camp Perry for many years. He was coordinator of Thursday night Metropolitan Police Revolver League (MPRL), worked on the Finance committee and was instrumental in establishing the Audit committee, and he handled all of the Club's NRA courses. Even though he was dealing with medical problems for the past five years, he seldom missed a meeting until the very end.

He was the father of Christa Seiler, Daniel Nill, and David Nill and had five grandchildren - Amanda, Emma, and Olivia Seiler, and Nora and Sara Nill.

Denny was a proud Vietnam veteran, a 40+ year employee of US Steel, and an active member of the Blue Ridge Mountain Sportscar Club. He was also an avid volunteer and enthusiastic supporter of the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix.

He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Timothy K. Slater Funeral Services, Inc. handled the arrangements which included a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Anne Church, St. Paul of the Cross Parish. He was interred with full military honors at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies.

New Guest Card and Sign-in Procedure

There is a new box to hold the new Guest Card/Waiver sheets above the indoor range login desk. Similarly, the Guest Card/Waiver have been placed in the log books for each of the outdoor ranges. Guests must complete the Guest Card/Waiver sheet each time they visit one of our ranges. And, the member must enter his guest's information in the appropriate log book.

Each guest is to pay the \$5.00 Guest Fee for every range visit.

To summarize, Guest cards must now be completed along with the signed waiver form and the \$5 Guest Fee paid for each guest for every range visit.

E-mail Address Request

If you are **NOT** receiving e-mails from the Club, please e-mail us at 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!

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

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.)*

Junior Shotgun Program

The Jr. Shotgun Program will begin on Wednesday, June 4 at 6:00 p.m. They will shoot each Wednesday in June. This program is open to the public for anyone age 12 and up that would like to learn to shoot trap in a controlled, safe environment with experienced instructors. The cost is \$5 per line of 25 birds.

The Club will provide the use of a shotgun and the necessary eye and ear protection, but the shooters will have to provide their own ammunition (shot no larger than 7-1/2) or you can buy it at the Club for \$10 per box of 25.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact either Chris Warden at warden7@me.com or Glenn Woods at gwoods1306@outlook.com.

If there is enough interest, there are thoughts of starting a Junior shotgun league.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program has completed its season and all the rifles have been cleaned and are stored until October when the junior program will start again.

The Junior Rifle Program is for shooters up to 80 (or older). There are two parts to the Junior Rifle program - an introductory, one-day session which should be held in mid to late October. The introductory session usually meets on a Sunday where participants learn rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, aiming, and shooting. The cost for this portion of the program is tentatively \$50 per shooter and includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. The cost may have to be adjusted depending on the cost of ammunition.

The second part of the program is the practice session. After the introductory session, shooters meet weekly 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 of the practice session is tentatively \$50 per shooter and, like the introductory session, includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. Again, the cost may have to be adjusted depending on the cost of ammunition.

Note - shooters have to complete the introductory session to participate in the practice session.

If you are interested in joining this program in October, please contact Chris Warden at warden7@me.com.

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League has completed their 20-week season which started in September.

The League is loosely organized into teams which compete against each other over the season for bragging rights. They are now 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 p.m. on a Monday 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.

They are planning on shooting bowling pins on the outdoor range the last Monday of each month if the weather cooperates. For questions on the Monday night shoot, please contact Steve Perry at sdperry48@hotmail.com.

Membership

As of mid-April, the Club had 270 senior members, 10 junior members, and 19 associate members for a total of 299 members.

New Members

• March

There were three new member in March. They were • **Alanna Chapman**, • **Nicholas Chapman**, and • **Phillip-Glogowski**.

• April

There were no new members join the Club in April.

• May

There were three new members join the Club in May. They were: • **Henry Brodeur**, • **Helen Krimm**, and • **Richard Sterrett**.

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 a continuing 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. 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. Lunch is provided.

March Work Party

There were seven members at the March 15 work party. They were: • **Joe DeBranski** • **Mike Fiorito** • **Mike Gajski** • **Scott Karman** • **Rob Low** • **Jeff Mihoces** and • **Glenn Woods**. They painted the ceiling in the Club meeting room, moved the stove, replaced the backstop, installed a new mailbox, worked on the FOB system for the new indoor range, and cleaned up downed tree branches.

April Work Party

There were 10 members at the April 26 work party.

They were: • **Reno Baum** • **Joe DeBranski** • **Warren DelRaso** • **Mike Fiorito** • **Mike Gajski** • **Zack Gajski** • **Scott Karman** • **Rob Low** • **Jeff Mihoces** and • **Ray Schuerger**. They finished painting the ceiling in the Club meeting room and did general grounds keeping.

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

As you may recall, our MPRL team, joined the Washington Sportsmen's Association to compete in the League this year because of dwindling numbers on both teams. As of match 9 (of their 14-week indoor season) the team was 4th out of 6 teams for .22 and 4th out of 5 teams for Centerfire,

Their outdoor season for the MPRL begins the week of May 18 and is scheduled for 14 matches, ending the week of August 17.

The combined 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, 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 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. If you decide to join the team there will be a League fee of \$10 per gun.

At the end of the season, the league gives out several team and individual awards (dependent on the treasurer's assessment of finances). These include High Season Average, High Expert, High Sharpshooter, High Marksman, High Tyro, and High Score.

For more information, please contact Reno Baum via e-mail at crossroadssnappy97@gmail.com.

Open Trap Shooting

Open Trap Shooting is offered on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00p.m., weather permitting. Open Trap Shooting resumed on Wednesday, April 2. The Sunday trap shoots are also open now. These trap sessions are open to the public and everyone is welcome; you do not have to be a Club member.. For more information on the trap shooting program, please contact Chris Warden at warden7@me.com.

The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is \$5.00. Shooters can bring their own shotgun shells (shot no larger than 7 1/2) or they can buy shotgun shells at \$10.00 a box at the range. And, for new shooters, equipment may also be borrowed.

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

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.



Pittsburgh and Suburban Rifle League (PSRL)

The CSC PSRL team shoots on Sunday evenings on the indoor range starting about 5:00 p.m. They are currently off for the summer and will resume shooting at the end of the year.

Upper St. Claire Rifle Team

The Upper St. Claire rifle team shoots in evenings on the indoor range starting about 3:00 p.m. on school days. They are currently off for the summer and will resume shooting on sometime in December 2025. As soon as the Fall/Winter season is set we will let everyone know the specific schedule.

For Sale

Reloading Supplies /Equipment - - Rifles and Pistols

One of our members is getting out of shooting and is selling off all of his extensive reloading supplies and equipment. He would prefer selling the components in larger quantities rather than piecemeal. In addition he is selling off his collection of pistols and rifles. All but two rifles are equipped with Leupold scopes.

If you are interested in any of his material, please email Lee at lee144sw@comcast.net.

A detailed list of those items along with his phone number will be provided.

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

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*

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/carricksportsmen-sclub/>

SELL IT FAST **IN THE CLASSIFIEDS!**

YOUR CLASSIFIED AD COULD BE
HERE IN THE NEXT ISSUE! ! !

Simply e-mail it to
parknews@comcast.net
Before June 15!

Police Your Dogs

It has come to the attention of the Board of Directors that members occasionally exercise their dogs on the Club property and, as nature dictates, have been leaving waste. We understand that happens, but it is creating a problem for the Club, especially when the Boy Scouts stay at the property and as other members use the outside areas. It's important to note that dog waste can be harmful and it also contributes to the spread of disease. We kindly request that anyone who does bring their dog to the property, please pick up after your dog **before you leave the Club property.**

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 - Off till Fall
- **Open Trap Shooting -** Trap Range - Sunday afternoon - Wednesday Evening - Resumes on Wednesday, April 3 at 6:00 pm

Officers and Directors - 2025

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Board of Directors Term Expires (Jan)

Reno Baum	2026
Stephen Boehm	2027
Michael Fiorito	2028
Michael Gajski	2028
Scott Karman	2028
Robert Low	2026

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

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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 ~~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~~ **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.