

POLICIES

STOCKTON SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

1. POLICIES TO BE REVIEWED: All club policies must be reviewed annually to correct, add to, and delete outdated policies. 2/4/86, revised 9/20/2022
2. OFFICER GIFTS: All outgoing officers, except the president, may receive an appreciation gift that shall not cost more than \$100.00 per person. It shall be the responsibility of the president to obtain these gifts. revised 5/3/16
3. MEMBER NAME TAGS: It is recommended that members wear their name tags at all club functions. revised 5/3/16
4. INJURED MEMBERS: Any member or guest who is injured during any club activity must report the injury to the activity Chairman and the club president. revised 5/3/16
5. FORMAL CHARGES AGAINST CLUB MEMBERS: Motion passed as follows: The committee must have the results before the Board within 30 days of filing of the charges, or the charges must be dropped. 3/1/83, revised 2/20/96
6. SILVER BUCKLE SHOOT: It will consist of: 1) Active Members and life members shoot. The winner will receive a silver buckle with a cost not to exceed \$150.00. Past winners may not compete. 2) Junior Buckle Shoot-All Juniors 17 years and younger may shoot. revised 5/3/16
7. MEMBER OF THE YEAR: Nominated and awarded annually. revised 5/3/16, revised 9/20/2022
8. AWARDS: It was also agreed that the general awards, (trap, big game, fish, etc.) be limited to \$40.00 or less. 1/24/83, revised 2/19/02, revised 9/20/2022
9. MEMBERSHIP CARDS: Motion passed to have Treasurer receive club dues and issue membership card. 2/5/82, retained 5/3/16, revised 9/20/2022
 - A. Member Address Verification: Members are responsible for updating their personal information when paying annual dues.
10. HONORARY MEMBERS: Removed effective 8/16/22
11. MEMBER SPOUSES/DOMESTIC PARTNERS: Spouses/domestic partners of active members will be granted the right to hunt under the active member's membership with completion of half the required work hours of member. 8/16/22, revised 9/20/2022
 - A. A member may work the hours of their spouse/domestic partner.
12. FAMILY MEMBERS: Children living at home have the right to hunt under the SSC membership with proof of residency matching the members' address. Children are defined as those under the age of 24 or permanently disabled. Children are encouraged to perform volunteer work hours with the club. The initiation fee will be waived for children that become members; however the application process will still be required.8/16/22
13. FARMER APPRECIATION: A gift card not to exceed \$200 will be purchased for each farmer whose land we use during the season. Additionally, a tax deduction or farmers passes will be offered to each farmer based on the number of fields used. 8/16/22
14. GIFT FOR OUTGOING PRESIDENT: The gift for the out-going president shall not cost more than \$150 and is to be obtained by the Vice President. 2/3/87, revised 5/3/16
15. NEW MEMBERS: New members shall be sworn in during the general membership meetings upon completion of 3rd meeting. Members sworn in, in November shall have their dues counted as payment for the following year. 2/2/88, revised 2/19/02, revised 1/17/2023
16. LIFE MEMBERSHIP: A Life Membership may be granted to a member of the Stockton Sportsmen's Club who meets the following criteria:
 - A. Member must be 60 years of age or older and must have been an active member of the Stockton Sportsmen's Club for at least twenty (20) years prior to being granted a Life Membership OR an active member for 30 years regardless of age. Revised 6/18/13
 - B. Any motion to grant Life Membership must be approved by the Board of Directors.
 - C. After Board approval, Board action must be approved by the General Membership.
 - D. Members attaining life membership status will receive a SSC membership card of engraved

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medal stating life membership. And will have their name and date of attainment added to the perpetual plaque of life membership holders. Recipients will receive their engraved card and will be able to see their name on the perpetual plaque at the installation dinner. The plaque will remain at the registration desk but will travel to every installation dinner to provide recognition to life members. The plaque will include all life members back to the beginning of the Club. 3/19/02

A Life Member shall be subject to the policies and By-Laws of the Stockton Sportsmen's Club and shall have all the membership privileges of the Club, including the right to vote.

Life members are responsible for fulfilling half of the work hour requirements. Life members with physical limitations can request alternate work options through the board. 1/17/2023

Once a Life Membership has been granted to a member, that member shall be exempt from paying dues the remainder of his association with the Stockton Sportsmen's Club. revised 4/16/96

17. SENIOR MEMBERS: Senior members over the age of 70 years who are a member in good standing are exempt from the work hour requirement for pheasant hunting. 5/3/16, revised 11/15/2023
18. MEETING ATTENDANCE MINIMUM: If a member attends 5 meetings in the calendar year, he may submit a letter of explanation requesting an approved absence from the remaining 6th meeting. One letter for one meeting is allowed per year. Should moderate to long term extraordinary circumstances (such as the ill-health of self or family member, night work, etc.) make it impossible for a member in good standing to attend the minimum required six meetings, then that member may petition for an exchange time option. The exchange time option is a method whereby the member may make-up missed meetings by performing four (4) hours of club authorized volunteer work at club activities per missed meeting. Evidence of the extraordinary circumstances may be required. Examples of evidence include, but are not limited to, written documentation from physicians, supervisors, or employers. All exchange time will be in addition to the member's annually required twenty (20) hours of volunteer time for the club. Should the member wish to appeal any decision, the member may petition the board in writing, along with their evidence. All board decisions are final. 2/20/96, revised 5/3/16
19. MEETING ATTENDANCE EXCEPTION-OUT OF AREA: Members residing more than 60 miles from General Meetings are exempt from the meeting requirements but must perform an additional 3 hours per meeting missed. 8/16/22
20. WORK HOURS FOR THE PHEASANT PROGRAM: The amount of time you work, is the time you will receive credit for. This policy applies to the sign-in shack and field patrolling duties. (Example: 0600 to 1600 = 10 hours, and 0600 to 0800 = 2 hours.) Catching the birds earns you two hours as does planting the birds in the field. Feeding the birds at the pens for an entire week counts as twenty hours. 2/20/96

FISCAL YEAR

Work hours to be counted for active membership will be tabulated from December 1 to November 30 of the following year. Any hours turned in after December 1 will be counted towards the following year. 2/19/02, revised 5/3/16

21. SCHOLARSHIP: Scholarships are to a cumulative maximum amount of \$3500. Of this amount, \$1250 (5 @ \$250 ea.) is allocated to the local high school scholarships. Any additional donated funds, trusts, or endowments specifically dedicated to scholarship will be administered by the scholarship committee within the guidelines of the endowments or trust, within the policies and

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bylaws of the Stockton Sportsmen's Club, the laws of the State of California, and the laws of the United States of America. 1/18/00, revised 4/17/01, revised 2/18/03

22. INITIATION FEE: \$100 plus first year's dues. 2/18/97. Revised 7/3/13 from previous membership approval
23. COMANCHE HILLS HUNTING PRESERVE - PURCHASED PHEASANTS: Birds will be divided up equally among all active club members that request birds by the due date. 4/17/01
24. FIELD HUNTING POLICY: The appointed patrol person will determine that the field is hunted in a safe orderly manner; A. The patrol person is in charge of the field. B. Hunting will follow the direction of the arrows. C. Patrol persons will report and/or attempt to solve problems regarding overcrowded fields. 4/15/03
25. PLANT AND PATROL POLICY: Active SSC members are required to work a minimum of two (2) days during the Pheasant Season either planting birds and patrolling fields or working in the sign-up trailer 4/15/08