# Siuslaw Rod & Gun Club Bylaws

## **Article I. Corporate Name and Address**

- 1. The organization shall be known as the Siuslaw Rod and Gun Club, hereinafter the Club or Organization.
- 2. The Club and mailing address are located at 87227 Munsel Lake Road, Florence Oregon 97439.
- 3. The Club is a 501(c)7 non-profit organization registered with the Oregon Secretary of State.

## **Article II. Purpose**

The purpose of the organization shall be to protect the natural sporting grounds of western Lane County, Oregon, and to promote the interests of legitimate sport with rod & gun, to include promotion of education in the proper use, handling, responsible ownership of firearms and marksmanship.

#### Article III. Board of Directors

Section 1. The board shall be a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and membership director. The duties of the board members shall be those usual incident to same.

Section 2. There shall be the following standing committee(s): Audit - Perform annual audits of the Club's financials and provide report to the board and membership. Additional committees may be formed as needed to promote and manage the purpose of the Club. Committees may be disbanded by majority vote of the Executive Committee and/or the membership as meets the needs of the Club.

Section 3. The board shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Executive Committee, which shall meet at the call of the president, shall plan and direct the work of the organization and act for it between regular meetings. A simple majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5. All board members and the chair of each standing committee shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the organization. All vacancies shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 6. The chair of each standing committee shall have the power to appoint the other members of their own committee subject to the approval of the president.

Section 7. The term of board members and committees shall be one (1) year, commencing with January 1<sup>st</sup> and ending December 31<sup>st</sup>. They shall hold that office for that period or until their successors are elected.

Section 8. Resignation of any board member or committee chair may be accepted by a majority of the remaining members of the board.

Section 9. A vacancy in the board may be filled by presidential appointment for the remainder of the term of that office. The appointment shall be affirmed by a majority vote of the members present at the next regular meeting.

## **Article IV. Membership**

Section 1. Requirements. A citizen or legal resident of the United States of America of good character and repute, who has not been convicted of a felony or crime of violence, who is at least 18 years old, and may legally possess firearms may become a member of this club upon completion of the current membership application process.

Section 2. Expulsion. Any member of this organization may be expelled from membership by a majority vote of the Executive Committee for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Conviction of breaking the fish and game laws of this or any other state.
- 2. Conviction of a felony or crime of violence.
- 3. Gun handling that repeatedly and/or severely and egregiously puts the membership or the organization at risk.
- 4. Aggressive and/or violent behavior that intimidates or threatens members of the club or the general public.
- 5. False or misleading information submitted on membership application or other Club materials.

Section 3. Complaints. Members of this organization wishing to make complaints of violations of membership requirements shall do so through the president or secretary who shall convene a Board meeting to address the complaint. All such communications shall be handled as confidentially as possible.

## Section 4. Types of Membership

- 1. General members are those persons 18 years old and up to 64 years of age including, a) spouse/significant other of the general member. Minor children of the general member may attend the Club under the same membership expectations and under the supervision of an adult member. General members are entitled one vote per paid membership.
- 2. Senior members are those persons 65 years and older and their spouse/significant other. Senior members are entitled to one vote per paid membership.
- 3. Public safety organizational members include members of Police, Coast Guard and other public safety entities. Public safety organizational memberships are non-voting memberships and are not eligible to hold an elective office unless they are a general or senior member.

#### Section 5. Benefits

- 1. All members shall have the privilege of using the facilities of the club under the regulations and directions set forth and issued by the board.
- 2. All members shall have the privilege of competing in any event or activity, on any given venue, for which they may be qualified.
- 3. Voting members shall have the privilege of a voice and of the ballot in all matters pertaining to the activities and welfare of the club, except those matters of administration and supervision.

#### Section 6. Duties

It shall be the duty of all members to conduct themselves at all activities and gatherings in a civil manner and to display good citizenship and mannerly decorum; to observe the rules and regulations of the Club and any affiliated organization pertaining to competition, range safety, good conduct, discipline, fair play and to assist officers and chair of the Club in maintaining proper order. To promptly report to the officers of the Club any infractions of rules by members or visitors which may result in danger to the persons, property, or good repute of members or the Club. In addition, members may be called upon to donate time and assistance for the development and maintenance of the Club's property and activities.

#### Section 7. Discrimination

Membership and participation in this club shall be free from discrimination due to race, creed, religion, gender, age, national origin or ancestry, parental status, physical disability or any other protected class.

#### Sec. 8. Roster

The roster of membership shall be considered confidential and available only to the Executive Committee, except as required by Oregon statute or through due process of law.

## **Article V. Meetings**

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall designate the date of the annual meeting of the organization which shall be held in the month of December each year, and they shall have the power to call monthly business or special meetings at their discretion.

Section 2. A special meeting may be held at any time at the written request of five members. The secretary shall notify members at least ten days in advance of such meeting through a posting on the Club web site and via standard electronic communication. Only such business as may be designated in the call shall be considered at the special meeting.

Section 3. The executive committee shall send out notices to all members at least ten days before the annual meeting, arrange a program and present the necessary reports on the work of the organization and its committees. Annual reports of all officers and standing committees may be presented at the annual meeting before the election of officers.

#### Article VI. Dues

Section 1. Annual dues may only be adjusted at the December annual meeting and with a majority vote of the membership present.

## Article VII. Fee for Membership

Additional fees, in excess of the annual dues, may only be enacted at the December annual meeting and with a majority vote of the membership present.

# Article VIII. Quorum

Five members of good standing, including members of the Executive Committee, shall constitute a Club meeting quorum, and no business shall be transacted at a meeting unless a quorum is present.

#### **Article IX. Bills**

The president or vice president and one other member of the executive committee must approve all bills against the organization before they are paid by the treasurer. All bills that are paid by check must have at least two signers.

## **Article X. Operating Procedures**

The Executive Committee shall create procedures that document how they operate. The procedures shall be made available to the membership on the Club web site.

#### Article XI. Amendments

These bylaws may be altered or amended by a two thirds majority vote of the members present at the December annual meeting.

Revised, passed and adopted December 21, 2023

Fred Ross 12/21/2023 Fred Ross, President Date Tohn QaRocco 12/21/2023 John LaRocco, Vice President Date R I Pilcher 12/21/2023 RJ Pilcher, Treasurer Date Deborah Kingry 12/21/2023 Deborah Kingry, Secretary Date