

Springfield Sports Club Inc

Constitution & By-Laws 2014

1 December, 2008

1 NAME

- 1.1 The organization shall be known as the Springfield Sports Club Inc.
- 1.2 The name of the organization shall not be used without the express consent of the Board of Directors.

2 FOUNDING

- 2.1 Springfield Sports Club Inc. was founded in 2001 by four organizations and several individuals as a not for profit organization:
 - 2.1.1 Fredericton Fish and Game Gun Club
 - 2.1.2 Marysville Rifle and Pistol Club
 - 2.1.3 Odell Shooters and Collectors Fraternity Inc.
 - 2.1.4 Royal New Brunswick Rifle Association
 - 2.1.5 (incomplete) Steven Stewart, Frank Stewart, Daniel Chisholm, Dan Toner, Laurence Gilbey, Rod Mackenzie, Cleveland Allaby, Gerald Conroy, Miles Storey, Don Downey
- 2.2 The Springfield range is the enduring legacy of its Founders.

3 PURPOSES

- 3.1 The organization will serve the shooting sport disciplines.
- 3.2 The organization will promote good sportsmanship, safe efficient and practical firearm handling, and good marksmanship.
- 3.3 The organization will serve both casual and the competitive interests in shooting.

4 MEMBERSHIP

- 4.1 Membership in the organization shall be open to persons as defined in the articles of the constitution.
- 4.2 The 2008 membership year shall run from 1-Dec-2007 to 31-Dec-2008.
- 4.3 All subsequent membership years shall be 1-January to 31-December.
- 4.4 Membership in the organization may be withdrawn by the member by written request to the Secretary of the Corporation, but dues paid shall not be refunded.
- 4.5 Membership in the organization may be refused or cancelled for cause by majority vote of the Board of Directors, after a hearing before the Board of Directors.
- 4.6 Membership in the organization will be open to persons in the following classes:
 - 4.6.1 Regular Membership: A person may be a member of the organization as an annual member upon payment of the prescribed dues
 - 4.6.2 Junior Membership: A person under the age of 18 in the membership year, may be a member of the organization upon payment of the prescribed dues
 - 4.6.3 Local Corporate Memberships may be made available to Government and private agencies.

5 DUES

- 5.1 Dues for the various classes of memberships shall be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors, pending approval by Regular Members at an Annual General Meeting.
- 5.2 Annual dues shall be payable on the first day of each membership year
- 5.3 Only members whose dues are paid-up will be members in good standing.

6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 6.1 The organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors (herein after "The Board").
- 6.2 The board shall be comprised of a minimum of six (6) Directors and a maximum of eight (8) Directors. The Directors shall be elected by the Regular members at the Annual General Meeting. Election to the Board shall be for a period of three (3) years with no more than three (3) Directors being elected in each year. Only members in good standing may be elected a Director and sit on the Board
- 6.3 The Board shall include the following executive positions as determined and filled from the elected directors.
 - 6.3.1 President
 - 6.3.2 Vice President
 - 6.3.3 Treasurer
 - 6.3.4 Secretary
 - 6.3.5 Chief Range Officer
- 6.4 At the discretion of the Board the position of Treasurer and Secretary may be combined.
- 6.5 The Board shall meet at the call of the President or at the request of any three (3) members of the Board made in writing to the Secretary or the President.
- 6.6 The Board shall serve without remuneration

6.7 Vacancies on the Board may be filled by appointment after selection from the Regular Members made by a majority vote of the remaining Directors.

7 MEETINGS

- 7.1 The Board shall conduct a meeting with the membership of the organization on an annual basis. Additional full meetings with the membership may be held at the discretion of the board. The Annual General Meeting shall occur as recommended by the Board of Directors and approved as per section 7.6 by the membership.
- 7.2 At least thirty days notice shall be given for the Annual General Meeting.
- 7.3 At least fourteen days notice shall be given for other full membership meetings.
- 7.4 All such notices may be made solely by email.
- 7.5 At meetings of the full membership, twelve regular members shall constitute a quorum.
- 7.6 At all meetings of the full membership, voting shall be limited to Regular Members who have paid their dues for the current membership year.
- 7.7 At Board meetings, a simple majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum.
- 7.8 At any meeting, a vote shall be conducted by secret ballot upon request of any member present.

8 COMMITTEES

8.1 The Board may require the support of a committee(s) to fulfill their responsibilities. The Board may appoint a Chairman or Co-Chairman from the board to be responsible for a committee and seek committee members from the membership in fulfilling the responsibilities of a given committee. In the event that a Chairman or Co-Chairman is not from the Board, a member of the Board shall serve on such a committee.

- 8.2 Other committees may be established as required.
- 8.3 Committees shall serve without remuneration.
- 8.4 The powers and responsibilities of a committee shall be determined by the Board.

9 SIGNING OFFICERS

9.1 The signing officers of the organization shall be any two of the President, the Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary.

10 AMENDMENTS

10.1 Any article may be amended by a majority vote of the Regular Members present at a general membership meeting, provided that a duly seconded notice of motion has been given to the Secretary at least thirty days prior to the date of such a meeting, for inclusion in the notice of such meeting.

11 SAFETY

- 11.1 All participants at Springfield Sports Club Inc. events are to employ all gun and ammunition handling practices as prescribed by the Board.
- 11.2 Springfield Sports Club Inc. shall maintain an insurance policy for the protection of the club, members and directors.

12 POLICY

12.1 The Board of Directors shall adopt a series of policies, subject to amendment from time to time, for the operation of Springfield Sports Club Inc. The policies shall be visibly displayed at all times and shall be binding upon members and their guests, and any other users of the facilities.

13 APPROVAL AND LIST OF AMENDMENTS

- 13.1 This constitution was approved 28-Nov-2007
- 13.2 This constitution was amended 1-Dec-2008
- 13.3 This constitution and By-Laws was amended Oct 18th 2010.
- 13.4 This constitution and By-Laws was amended Oct 20th 2014.