



**Ontario Rod & Gun Club**

2523 Trimble Road

Ontario NY 14519

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# Ontario Rod & Gun Club Membership Handbook

## Welcome to ORGC!

ORGC is a premier range located on 80+ acres in the Town of Ontario, just east of the City of Rochester in the Great Lakes Region of Western New York. The range sits in the rural community, once called the “Town of Freedom,” settled in 1807 on the southern edge of Lake Ontario. It is home to apple orchards, small farms and people who love country life.

Our membership is a diverse mix of men and women of all ages, professions and socio-economic levels, all of whom enjoy sporting firearms and their Second Amendment Rights. There is something for everyone at ORGC.

We offer a Youth Program, Tuesday Night Open Trap, Weekly and Monthly USPSA pistol competitions, monthly rifle matches, host the New York State High School Clay Target League, partner with the RIT ROTC AF Cadets, Inland Waters Clay Target League, Ontario Women’s League of Shooters (OWLS), Civilian Marksmanship Program, 3 Gun Nation matches, host hunter safety training and a variety of training programs for firearm enthusiasts, and beautiful, well-kept ranges for members to enjoy. We have a generous community outreach, too.

We are glad you have chosen to be a member. Please retain this book for future reference.

### CLUB RANGE HOURS

### SUBJECT TO CHANGES

Monday—Saturday

9 a.m. to Sunset

Sunday

10 a.m. to Sunset

### HOLIDAYS

Noon—4 p.m.

Holidays are New Years Day, Easter Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day

## *Welcome from the ORGC Officers and Board of Directors*

Welcome to Ontario Road and Gun Club, upstate New York's premier gun club! Thanks for choosing to join. We hope you enjoy many years of satisfying membership.

We have the pleasure of serving this fine gun club with our diverse skills and talents and our passion for "The Shooting Sports At Their Best!" As Officers and Directors, we provide oversight on the projects, activities and expenses of the club. Our decisions are based on what is best for the club and its members. We take our volunteer roles seriously. We provide oversight to assure ORGC continues to be a thriving and growing club offering opportunities for all disciplines of sport shooting.

Our expanding membership enjoys upgrades to the facilities: new PAT trap machines, well maintained shoot houses, a beautiful historic clubhouse, plenty of equipment and well-kept grounds. We offer weekly trap shoots, weekly and monthly USPSA pistol matches, trophy matches, veteran benefit events, community outreach, opportunities for women and youth shooting and, of course, you can shoot to fit your schedule on two different ranges. Because we are a non-profit, your dues are an important part of the upgrades we make to the facility. And because we are a non-profit, we rely on volunteer help from our members for only 8 hours a year.

ORGC has a commitment to safety. **It is our number one priority!** The safety of our members is essential to the continuation of our club. Safety is the reason why every prospective member who will shoot at the club **MUST** take the Range Safety Orientation class. It is also why we require all members to take a 'reboot' class to catch up on the changes in rules and policies that help keep us all safe.

The official ORGC Range Rules are included as a reference for you in this booklet. They will be a key piece of the Range Safety Orientation. Remember, it is your responsibility to know the rules!

If you have questions, would like to volunteer your special skills, need more information about our veteran events and community outreach, please don't hesitate to call or email one of the Officers or Board Members listed on the Contact Page.

Once again, WELCOME TO Ontario Road and Gun Club!

Sincerely,

*ORGC Officers & Board of Directors.*



## ORGC Officers

Ken Paul	President	krp333@gmail.com
Eli Saber	Vice President	esaber228@gmail.com
Gary Partridge	Treasurer	gpart@rochester.rr.com
Heidi Levan	Secretary	hmlevan7@gmail.com
Steve Verdi	Chairman of the Board	verd143@frontiernet.net

ORGC Officers are elected at the Annual Corporate Meeting, each serving a year with a specific role within the organization according to the ORGC By-Laws. Their major role is to promote prosperity, welfare and usefulness of the Club.

## Current Board of Directors

Jeff Aman	Keith Bourgeois	Bill Burger
Bodhan Ersteniuk	Robin Jones	Frankie LaMarca
Bob Ledgerwood Jr.	Fausto Prattico	Chris Ranson
Jarred Savory	Pete Sundquist	Bill Verhagen

*ORGC Board of Directors are nominated and elected at the Annual Corporate Meeting for a (3) year term. The Board has a duty to regulate the activities of the Club to insure the survival and continuation of the Club. Some Board members serve as Directors for specific areas of the Club such as membership and communications*

## Lifetime Directors

Don Anderson	Nancy Anderson	Gordon Beh	Nancy Buyze
Bill Dostman	Rich Haywood	Ken Henderson	Kurt Larson
Jim Mater	Lee McMullen	Bill Palermo	Gary Partridge
Joel Sussman	Doug Trumpowsky	Bruce Vande	Steve Verdi

*Lifetime Directors are appointed by the President from the list of Lifetime Members. Life Directors serve for their entire life or may voluntarily resign. Lifetime Directors have the same duty as Current Board Members.*

## Lifetime Members

Charles Allen	Sam Bonino	Charles Dostman	Hans Farnung
Ryan Farnung	Kenton Fiske	Vincent Graniero	Donna Henderson
Robert Holtz	James Kronenwetter	James Mater	Fred Nudd
Thomas Parker	Shawn Ridgway	William Schlegal	James Schultz
Joel Sussman	Bill Verhagen		

*Lifetime Members have the privilege of being Club members for the remainder of their life , without the need to pay dues.*

## Contacting ORGC

### Meetings 3rd Thursday

#### General Membership Meetings

7:30 p.m.  
January, March,  
May,  
July, September,  
November

Everyone is welcome to attend General Meetings to contribute ideas and information that will benefit the club and to hear about the current progress of our plans .

#### Board of Directors Meetings

7:30 p.m.  
February, April,  
June, August,  
October, December

These meeting are for elected Officers and Directors only to discuss club business.

#### New Member Orientation

3rd Saturday  
Every Month  
9 a.m.-noon

New Members are scheduled to attend, but any member can attend as a refresher!

#### Chairman—Steve Verdi

- **(585) 739-3195—email**
- Immediate need or emergency
- Policies, Range Rules, Veteran's Events, general questions
- Steve is at the club every Tuesday night (5-9) and every Saturday Workday (9-3) if you need to talk to him.

#### President—Ken Paul

- General questions
- Membership issues
- President's Cup Match
- Ken is at the club every Saturday Workday (9-3) if you want to talk to him.

#### Membership Director— Pete Sundquist

- **sundquistp2032@gmail.com**
- Joining ORGC; Membership—new or renewal
- FOB issues
- Orientation
- Contact information updates

#### Communication Director—Frankie LaMarca

- **frankielamarca@gmail.com**
- Scatter Sheet Newsletter
- Advertising in the Scatter Sheet or Website
- Women's Programs - **orgc.owls@gmail.com**
- Contact information updates

#### The best time to visit ORGC

- **Tuesday Nights** from 5-8 during Open Trap.
- **Saturday Workday** (every Saturday) from 9-3 when you'll find most of our officers and members making improvements. They'll be happy to talk to you and give you a tour.

## Media: Newsletter, Website & Facebook



**The Scatter Sheet** has been the official newsletter of ORGC for over thirty-six years. Club member William Palermo was responsible for the creation and publication of the newsletter until he passed the responsibility of editor and publisher to Frankie LaMarca in 2019.

The Scatter Sheet is a newsletter unlike any other in New York State. It provides members with a close up look at the events and activities at ORGC through pictures, narrative and schedules. It reflects the club's personality, its members and interests.

The Scatter Sheet is sent monthly via MailChimp to the email address you provided at Orientation. So, if you notice you are not receiving your copy, check your spam folder and then contact the Membership Director to correct your contact information.

Recent and archived copies are available at [www.theorgc.com](http://www.theorgc.com).

**Our Website** is located at [www.theorgc.com](http://www.theorgc.com). It contains information about the many club activities and sport shooting disciplines that regularly occur at the club. The calendar of events is generally the most current and up to date accounting of the club schedule.

**Facebook** ORGC has a presence on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/orgcny/](http://www.facebook.com/orgcny/). It highlights many of our events and milestones viewed through the eyes of our members and visitors.

**Veterans Events** ORGC has a page devoted to our Veterans Fundraiser Events, [www.facebook.com/ORGCVeterans](http://www.facebook.com/ORGCVeterans). It highlights the projects and community outreach events we support.

Just remember, we request you keep your comments civil and respectful or they will be removed by administrators.



## Range Safety Orientation

The Range Safety Orientation is an important initiation into the “safety minded” culture of ORGC. New members are expected to demonstrate safe handling and efficient use of their firearms, whether it is rifle, shotgun or pistol. The orientation exam is an assessment of a new members ability to understand and apply the range rules, which are consistent with all other shooting ranges nationwide. Upon successful completion of the written exam and range demonstration of firearm handling skills, a new member will pay the dues and be given a ‘FOB’ to allow access to use the range with the understanding he or she will follow and apply all rules, set forth by ORGC or risk termination of membership.

All family members covered by a Family Membership are expected to attend an orientation prior to using the range. One family member will be designated as the primary membership FOB holder.

All members in good standing are welcome to participate in the orientation free of charge to keep abreast of new rules and policies.

Orientation takes place the third Saturday of every month starting at 9 a.m. until noon.

### What Do Dues Do?

Dues are the only revenue of the club. Dues are used to make improvements on our long range plan and finance repairs that keep the property safe and beautiful. In 2019, dues were used to:

- Rebuild the west trap house and field
- Paint structures, add fencing
- Range equipment
- Add roofing, gutters, paint, windows and landscape to the clubhouse.
- New refrigerator
- New wood stove
- New heating/cooling

## Membership Dues

ORGC’s dues are **consistently affordable** because so many of our projects are completed by talented volunteer members. Our goal is to encourage more members to volunteer their skills so we can do the work internally to maintain a great facility while keeping membership rates affordable.

### Dues are as follows:

<b>SINGLE</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>FAMILY</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>ORIENTATION</b>	<b>\$ 50.00 one time</b>

- Your dues cover a year of membership from April 1st to March 31st of the following year.
- You must attend a Range Safety Orientation at which time you will receive a FOB to enter the range.
- Renewal payments must be received by April 1 or you will be charged a \$25.00 late fee.
- FOB will be deactivated if renewal is late and will not be reactivated until all fees are paid.
- Please update your contact information at each renewal.

For membership questions, contact Membership Director, Pete Sundquist at [sundquistp2032@gmail.com](mailto:sundquistp2032@gmail.com).

# Physical Layout of ORGC



An aerial view of ORGC taken by member Mike Spryn.

## History of ORGC

The Ontario Rod and Gun Club was started in the winter of 1950 by several local sportsmen who collaborated on the idea of a sportsmen's club. They organized themselves, elected officers and as membership increased, so did the desire to acquire a piece of property on which they could build a clubhouse and shooting ranges. You are standing on the property they purchased with member donations in 1952, and by 1954 Ontario Rod and Gun Club owned the property "lock, stock and barrel."

The 26' by 40' cinder block Clubhouse was built entirely with donated materials and by volunteer labor. Many significant improvements have been made to the Clubhouse and surrounding yard to keep it modern, energy efficient and visually appealing.

In 1953, the NY Conservation Department and the Federation of Wayne County Sportsman's Club built a wildlife refuge pond. It was stocked with fish and used for fishing derbies for children that became an annual event. Hence the 'Rod' in our official name.

Youth have always been an important part of ORGC. In 1955, the club ran a rifle training program for 14-year old boys. The hope was to support the next generation of sportsmen safety and handling skills.

## About Our Ranges

### Eagles Range:

Member use and match use.

**Training Range:** Private event training and matches.

**Rifle Range and Rifle Bay:** (black line): Open to member use, far end used for matches. Distances are 50, 100 & 200 yards

**West Bay and East Bay:** used for matches.

**Trap Fields:** for member use and matches.

**Archery:** located east of the trap fields in the woods.

During large matches, many areas are closed to member for safety.

Closed areas will be noted on the club calendar and Scatter Sheet Events Page.



# OUR MEMBERS ARE AWESOME!!

Our members are a diverse group of people from all walks of life, age groups and occupations. We have factory workers, teachers, homemakers, doctors, lawyers, engineers, construction workers, self employed, current and retired military, firefighters, EMTs, nurses, students and retired folks. All of our members share several traits:

- The love of sport shooting and all things firearms
- A common determination to protect our Second Amendment
  - A unique expertise

**Our membership is strong and growing!**

**It takes all of us together to make it the best club in New York!**

## What Can I Do?

- **Carpentry**
- **Accounting**
- **Painting**
- **General Cleaning**
- **First Aid for Events**
- **Match Set Up**
- **Legal Advice**
- **Computer Help**
- **Lawn Maintenance**
- **Cook for Events**
- **Community Outreach Projects**
- **Electrical**
- **Chop/Stack firewood**

## Volunteering At Your Club!

You can make a difference at ORGC. We are 100% volunteer run from our Officers and Board of Directors to the guy who mows the lawn. We need everyone. ORGC asks for at least 8 hours a year of volunteer work at the clubhouse and range from each member. The help each person provides goes a long way to making the ORGC experience top notch.

The Saturday Work Day is famous for having created the “ORGC Family.” True. We’d love you to be part of that phenomena. Work, have a complimentary lunch, and a little more work with people who have become close friends. Saturday jobs may include:

- Build target stands and bases
- Cut target backer boards
- Sort Brass
- Clean the ranges
- Clean the clubhouse floors and bathrooms
- Organize the trailer and shoot houses
- Prepare for a week of events

Join us on all or part of a Saturday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and we’ll put you with a team and a project!

Chairman Steve usually has a list of jobs that need to be accomplished at the beginning of our shooting season and into fall. We will try to keep those jobs published in the Scatter Sheet and if you see something you can do, call him (585) 739-3195



# ONTARIO ROD & GUN CLUB

**THE SHOOTING SPORTS  
AT THEIR BEST!**



**Open Trap  
Shooting  
Every  
Tuesday  
5-8 P.M.**



**USPSA Monthly Match  
USPSA Tuesday Night Match  
With a Weekly "Classifier"  
Register on Practiscore**



**Summer Youth Program  
Doug Trumpowsky**



**Annual  
50-50-50  
President's Cup  
Trophy  
Ken Paul**



**Inland Waters Trap League  
Monthly Competitions  
Al Incardona  
Doug Trumpowsky**

# ***MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS!***

**Growing membership! Beautiful Range! Friendly Faces!**

***Annual Veterans Fundraiser  
Events on the Ranges!  
[https://www.facebook.com/  
ORGCVeterans/](https://www.facebook.com/ORGCVeterans/)  
Steve Verdi (585) 739-3195***



***CMP Meets Monthly on the  
Long Range  
Todd Hughes  
Bill Burger***



**The first club in NY State to officially affiliate  
with 3-Gun Nation  
Keith Bourgeois**



***Welcoming Webster High School  
Student Trap Shooting Leagues***



***Ontario Women's League of Shooters  
Frankie LaMarca***

## ORGC Commitment to the Community!

### WHO WE HELP

- ORGC Annual Veterans Fundraiser Events
- ORGC Veterans Benevolent Fund
- Marine Toys for Tots
- Wreaths Across America
- Local Veterans Food Box Deliveries
- Clear Path for Veterans -Dogs for Service



ORGC's commitment to the community is demonstrated by the generosity of the time, money and enthusiasm that motivates members to spring to action to help others.

Our **ORGC Annual Veterans Fundraiser Events** includes a variety of events that have allowed us to give upwards of \$30,000 to local veteran organizations. 100% of our proceeds for the events go to veterans. Dedicated USPSA and Shotgun Matches, BBQ and raffles have made our veterans event a success for local veterans we can all be proud about.

The Annual Veterans Fundraiser gave rise to the **ORGC Veterans Benevolent Fund**. Our Fund Committee selects a veteran to help as identified in need of assistance through word-of-mouth and written requests, and our crew of dedicated member volunteers take their talents to the location to help. We have built ramps, reroofed homes, spruced up landscape, installed handicapped handgrips, replaced flags and anything to make the veteran able to continue living in their home comfortable.

Member volunteers take to the road several times a year with the **American Legion Riders Williamson Post #394** to deliver food boxes to needy local veterans. As recipients of money from the Annual Veterans events, the Riders fill food boxes and provide gift cards at the holidays.

**Wreaths Across America** honors deceased veterans at cemeteries across the U.S. Our dedicated group places wreaths at local cemeteries one Saturday every December. This initiative is also supported by our annual fundraiser.

**Marine Toys for Tots** encourages every member to bring a new toy to the clubhouse from November to December and place it in the boxes to be picked up by the Marines and distributed to needy kids.

**Clear Path for Veterans** is our latest discovery and recipient of funds. Clear Path provides opportunities for veterans to reenter civilian life. One way to assist this recovery is through its service dog program which pairs a vet with their very own canine companion.

As with so much of what we do at ORGC, we do this with **HEART and with VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU.**

If you are interested in helping with any of these initiatives, please contact Steve Verdi, (585) 39-3195.



**RANGE RULES FOR  
THE ONTARIO ROD & GUN CLUB  
2523 Trimble Road, Ontario, NY 14519**

**SECTION 1.0 – PROHIBITED - The purpose of the section is to state actions resulting in immediate suspension from ORGC.**

- 1.1 Breaking any rule requires a warning with the expectation the infraction will stop. If it does not stop, each infraction escalates as follows: b) Official reevaluation of membership; c) Suspension of membership until member retakes the Orientation; d) If a member refuses to retake Orientation, the membership will be permanently revoked.
- 1.2 There is no use of drugs or alcohols allowed anywhere on the premises.
- 1.3 No shooting of wildlife on the premises
- 1.4 No fully automatic firearms are allowed on any ORGC range.
- 1.5 Tracers, Armor Piercing, explosives, incendiary ammunition, or targets are prohibited.
- 1.7 Horizontal holsters are not allowed anywhere on the premises.
- 1.8 Fast drawing pistols/revolvers from the holster to fire is prohibited. Cowboy Action and Clint Eastwood Wannabe's are examples of infracting this rule. Tactical holsters for IDPA and USPSA during practice and competition are not "Fast Drawing."

**SECTION 2.0 - ORIENTATION– The purpose of this section is to provide a framework of safety, range use, procedures, and requirements of ORGC.**

- 2.1 All new membership candidates must complete the ORGC Range Safety Orientation class prior to using the ranges, including all members in a family membership.
- 2.2 There is a one-time orientation fee.
- 2.3 Prospective members must pass both the written exam and the firearm safe handling exam. Failure to pass either will require retaking orientation class. Orientation fee is not repeated.
- 2.4 Range FOB will not be issued unless the Orientation fee is received.
- 2.5 You must possess a valid **NYS Pistol Permit** to shoot pistol at the range.
- 2.6 All pistols must be registered on a NYS Pistol Permit to be used on ORGC Ranges.
- 2.7 On successful completion of orientation, you will be approved to shoot the style of firearm you used during your observation. If you used a **handgun**, you will be approved for **handguns**. If you used a **long gun**, you will be approved for **long guns**. Using a firearm without approval for range use can result in expulsion from the club.
- 2.8 ORGC supports and follows all New York State Law.

**SECTION 3.0 – RANGE SAFETY – The purpose of this section is to provide rules and policies for handling and shooting firearms on all ranges at ORGC.**

**3.1 ORGC members will always follow the NRA Firearm Safety Rules:**

**BASIC RULES OF GUN SAFETY**

- **ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.**
- **ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL READY TO SHOOT.**
- **ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN UNLOADED UNTIL READY TO USE.**
- **ALWAYS KNOW WHAT IS BEYOND YOUR TARGET.**

- 3.2 Eye (Eye protection defined as: Shooting or Industrial Safety Glasses) and ear protection, supplied by the user, must be worn by all persons in the range area while shooting is in progress.

- 3.3 NEVER allow the muzzle to point in any direction whereby an accidental discharge would allow a projectile or round to leave the property. To prevent this, set your target height to eye level on Eagles Range.
- 3.4 At no time may a firearm, loaded or unloaded, open or closed, be pointed in the direction of another person.
- 3.5 Laser devices are not to be pointed at any person.
- 3.6 No aiming practice will be permitted except at the firing line, with the gun aimed toward the targets.
- 3.7 All muzzles must be over the firing line when firing or aiming, the muzzle must always be pointed downrange, and NEVER above the horizon and never at the ceiling/left or right.
- 3.8 There are limited circumstances when the muzzle of a firearm may be pointed higher than the target backstop: Loading a rifle with a tubular magazine. Loading, unloading, or cleaning a muzzleloader. Unloading certain types of revolvers. Cleaning or storage of Break Down Rifles and Shotguns.
- 3.9 Be sure the firearm and ammunition are compatible.
- 3.10 At no time may a loaded gun be left unattended (owner leaves the firing line for any reason) on the bench or on the firing line.
- 3.11 Before CASING any guns, make sure it is safe, which means unloaded and checked for clear.
- 3.12 **CEASE FIRE** means **STOP SHOOTING IMMEDIATELY AND AWAIT FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. A CEASE FIRE** may be for an emergency, or to alert other shooters to stop shooting. No person shall be allowed forward the firing line without a **CEASE FIRE** condition in effect.
- 3.13 **A CEASE FIRE MAY BE CALLED BY ANYONE.**
- 3.14 **During CEASE FIRE condition:** All shooters are to immediately STOP shooting, actions open, chambers empty and loading devices removed. If a firearm does not lock open (by design) the shooter must place a Chamber Flag in the chamber.
- 3.15 **RED LIGHTS must be utilized.** After a **CEASE FIRE** is called, the **RED LIGHTS** should be switched to the **ON** position. All shooters manage their firearms as per rule 3.12, and an **“ALL CLEAR/RANGE IS COLD”** announced and **ACKNOWLEDGED BY EVERYONE ON THE FIRING LINE** prior to **ANYONE** moving beyond the firing line. Once everyone has returned to behind the firing line an **“EVERYONE READY/RANGE IS GOING HOT” IS ANNOUNCED** and **ACKNOWLEDGED BY EVERYONE ON THE FIRING LINE** and the **RED LIGHT** should be switched **OFF** prior to **ANYONE** resuming shooting.
- 3.16 Guns may NOT be cleaned in the clubhouse unless it is part of an authorized training function and under close supervision of a designated safety officer.
- 3.17 **Safety Rules** must be enforced by every **CLUB MEMBER**. Members are always responsible for safe facility use and must take immediate action to stop an unsafe situation. Please be respectful and courteous when enforcing club rules. If violator does not comply, then notify a club officer.

**SECTION 4.0 – TRANSPORTING A FIREARM TO AND FROM THE RANGE – The purpose of this section is to provide clear rules and policies for acceptable safety practices when moving firearms to and from your vehicle.**

- 4.1 All firearms must be cased when moving from your vehicle to the firing line and back. This applies to long guns or handguns.
- 4.2 The firearms must be cased and uncased on the bench with muzzle pointing down range. If there is a question of whether the cased firearm is loaded, uncase at the load/unload table beside Eagles Range and remove the magazine, and check for clear before proceeding to the firing bench. Once at the firing bench, check that the muzzle is downrange, chamber flag in, action open.
- 4.3 If the member is using a case holding two rifles, **BOTH** rifles must be pointed in the same **DOWN RANGE** direction. If the case in question does not permit this, one of the rifles must be removed and left in the shooter’s vehicle. When the member wishes to use this rifle, the member must case the rifle on the firing line, return it to their vehicle and make the exchange for the rifle originally left in their vehicle.

- 4.4 All handguns must be carried to and from the range in a case, or in the instance of a carry gun, in a properly worn holster. A properly worn holster must maintain the barrel in a vertical position, **POINTED DOWN ONLY, ALWAYS.**
- 4.5 Removing guns from the case or holster may only be done at the firing line if they have been cleared, (magazine removed, cylinder empty, barrel empty) at the load/unload table beside Eagles Range. Horizontal holsters will not be allowed in the club or on the firing line.
- 4.6 A member may load his/her handgun for personal carry at the load/unload table beside Eagles Range, then take it to their vehicle.

**SECTION 5.0 - RANGE USE – The purpose of this section is to provide rules and policies for using the ranges at ORGC.**

- 5.1 Only one firearm may be loaded at one time on any range.
- 5.2 Black powder firearms may be used on Eagles Range or Rifle Range.
- 5.3 Any pistol used for hunting or long-range competition where sighting of more than 50 yards is needed, will be allowed on Rifle Range.
- 5.4 Only paper targets which will fit within the ORGC provided target holders are allowed. Shooters must use the ORGC target holders and set these holders in the ORGC provided H-frame support blocks.
- 5.5 When on the firing line, keep actions open, magazines out, cylinder open except when in the act of firing.
- 5.6 All firing shall be done using sights or sighting equipment in such a manner that all shots will travel into the backstop/berm.
- 5.7 Shoot only at the target on your corresponding firing point.
- 5.8 Shooters may draw from hip holsters in the open areas of the pavilion, **not** over the table benches or tables, and must remain behind the firing line.
- 5.9 Any new optical sight that has not been previously used and zeroed, must be used on Eagles Range before it is used on the Long Range. The target should be placed no further than 25 yards.
- 5.10 Guns may not be handled by persons other than the owner without the owner's specific consent.
- 5.11 No person shall monopolize a firing point to the exclusion of others. EXCEPTION is a record target following a practice target. Limit your shoot time to 45 minutes if people are waiting.
- 5.12 Patterning a shotgun must be done on the Eagle's Range. Use only wood or cardboard target holders that shot will penetrate.
- 5.13 Never pick up brass or shells ahead of the firing line until a CEASE FIRE has been called, all firearms are cleared, the RED LIGHT ON and shooters have backed away from the firing line.
- 5.14 Members must leave the range clean and free of debris. Remove your personal targets and return them to the storage area. Return the H-frames to the storage area. Clean up your trash.
- 5.15 All shell casings (brass, steel, shotgun) should be picked up and placed in the proper storage or trash cans. If you reload, you may take your own brass, but **no one is permitted to take brass that is not their own – it belongs to the club.**
- 5.16 The load/unload table beside Eagle's Range is provided for the purpose of unloading carry guns before proceeding to the firing line, to check for clear any gun which will be taken to the firing line. You may reload your carry gun prior to leaving the range at the load/unload.

**SECTION 6.0 – MATCHES AND COMPETITIONS – The purpose of this section is to provide basic guidelines during such events.**

- 6.1 During matches and competitions, no person/members will be allowed on a course of fire/stage other than the Range Officers and the competitor who is under direct supervision of the Range Officer.
- 6.2 The designated Match Director shall be in charge of all matches and practice shooting. The Match Director's decision on matters must be accepted. Protests may be made, however, to the Board of Directors, or organization conducting the match.

**SECTION 7.0 – MEMBERSHIP – The purpose of this section is to provide rules and policies guiding membership requirements at ORGC.**

- 7.1 Your ORGC Membership Card must always be displayed while on ORGC Rifle and Pistol Ranges, and you must show it when you are requested to do so by any member.
- 7.2 Your membership card and FOB are NOT TRANSFERRABLE and will be **seized and membership revoked** if used by someone other than the named member/family.
- 7.3 There is a \$10.00 charge to replace a lost membership card or FOB.
- 7.4 Membership dues are paid yearly. Membership levels are described as follows:
  - **Single means one person.**
  - **Family means a 2-adult family unit living in one household without children or with children ages 12-21 who are full time students.**
  - **Senior means persons 65 years or better.**
- 7.5 **FOB USE** is restricted solely to the person identified in that specific membership. Family memberships must identify a designated primary FOB holder who must be present with their children on that membership that are shooting.
- 7.6 All members enter and exit using their FOB through the key **FOB** gate. Only one member may gain entrance at any one time with a FOB.
- 7.7 Other persons entering the gate at the same time without their own FOB must **SIGN IN** on the register guest sheet. Getting out is their own responsibility. See emergency contact.
- 7.8 FOB-in or signing in during a scheduled event is not necessary.
- 7.9 **FOR THE SECURITY OF THE PROPERTY AND MEMBERS**, all gates to the range must be kept closed. Close it when you enter. Close it when you leave.

**SECTION 8.0 - YOUTH – The purpose of this section is to provide rules and policies regarding children and teen on ORGC ranges.**

- 8.1 No person under the age of 12 shall be allowed to possess, handle, or discharge a firearm.
- 8.2 Members and guests ages 12 to 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, who has completed the Orientation, at all rifle and/or shotgun shooting activity. **\*\*New York State Law, Penal Law, Article 265, Section 20: Possession at the range is allowed by a person from 12 to 18 of age when under the immediate supervision of their parent or guardian**
- 8.3 Youth training: A qualified NRA Certified Pistol Instructor, NYS Trooper, or Officer of the Court may legal use his/her personal, legally registered pistol to instruct a person at least 14 years of age, but under the age of 21 who has not been previously convicted of a felony or serious offense.

**SECTION 9.0 – GUESTS – The purpose of this section is to provide rules and policies regarding guests of ORGC members.**

- 9.1 Members may have a shooting guest accompany them to the ranges a maximum of (3) three times. After (3) three visits, please encourage them to join our club.
- 9.2 A member may have (1) one shooting guest and (1) one observing guest at a time.
- 9.3 It is the duty of each member to familiarize their guest with the range safety rules and range use.
- 9.4 It is the ORGC member's responsibility to directly supervise the shooting action of their guest.
- 9.5 The ORGC member is completely responsible for their own actions and that of their guests at

all times when using the ORGC ranges.

- 9.6 Members with guests may only occupy one shooting position on the firing line and benches.
- 9.7 When the member is shooting, the guest(s) observes. When the guest is shooting, the member is supervising and observing the NRA/ORGC Range Safety Rules.
- 9.8 Guests may come to the club with the **primary adult member only**.

**SECTION 10.0 – CONDUCT – The purpose of this section is to state acceptable member and guest behavior while using the ORGC ranges, facilities, and property.**

- 10.1 No disorderly conduct will be permitted anywhere on the property.
- 10.2 Please refrain from loud talk or other disturbing noises or actions while others are firing either for record or practice. Others are entitled to the same consideration you yourself would like to have. *Note: Make sure your guests understand this courtesy.*
- 10.3 It is the responsibility and duty of all members to guide new members in observance of these rules, to warn violators and bring violation concerns to the ORGC Officers.
- 10.4 Members will be liable for all damages to any building, range, equipment, grounds, or facility and will be subject to prosecution.
- 10.5 Damage to club property, unsafe use of guns is considered grounds for revoking Membership.
- 10.6 Intentional violations shall be considered enough cause for immediate expulsion from the range and from membership in the club.
- 10.7 These Range Rules will be conspicuously posted in the Clubhouse and a copy will be supplied to all new members at Orientation. Members may also request a copy.

**SECTION 11 – EAGLE’S RANGE SAFETY RULES – The purpose of this section is to provide specific rules for the use of the Eagle’s Range. Note: All other rules outlined in this document also apply to the Eagle’s Range. These rules will be posted in Eagles Range.**

- 11.1 Always follow the NRA Basic Safety Rules for Firearms
- 11.2 Always enter Eagle’s Range through the side archway of the pavilion.
- 11.3 All ORGC approved firearms are allowed on Eagles Range.
- 11.4 All guns to be **USED** on the ranges should be removed or recased at the bench.
- 11.5 All **CONCEAL CARRY GUNS** that will be used on Eagles Range must be cleared at the load/unload table beside Eagles Range **BEFORE** entering Eagle’s Range pavilion
- 11.6 All shooters **MUST** shoot from the firing line (table benches) inside the pavilion.
- 11.7 Range **procedures for CEASE FIRE- RED LIGHTS must be utilized.**
  - **CEASE FIRE** is called, the **RED LIGHTS** switched **ON**.
  - All shooters unload, open action, step away from benches.
  - **“ALL CLEAR/RANGE IS COLD”** announced
  - **ACKNOWLEDGED BY EVERYONE ON THE FIRING LINE** prior to **ANY-ONE** moving beyond the firing line.
  - Once everyone has returned to behind the firing line an **“EVERYONE READY/RANGE IS GOING HOT” IS ANNOUNCED**
  - **ACKNOWLEDGED BY EVERYONE ON THE FIRING LINE RED LIGHT** switched **OFF** prior to **ANYONE** resuming shooting.
- 11.8 **Cased Firearms** – before you remove your firearm for use, visually check the gun position in the case and turn the case so the muzzle of the gun is pointing downrange, and then uncased. Keep firearms pointed downrange.
- 11.9 Shooters may draw from hip holsters in the open areas of the pavilion, **not** over the table benches or tables and must remain behind the firing line.

- 11.10 Targets for Eagle's Range are portable H-base frames and target holders located at the back of the pavilion.
- Place them as the distance you choose.
  - Multi-targets can be set if they do not interfere with other shooter's targets.
  - The maximum position for targets is 11 o'clock to 1 o'clock placements.
  - Use **only** paper or cardboard targets that fit on the stands. No steel or other objects permitted.
  - Please return the H-base frames and the target frames to the holders.
  - Please remove personal targets from the backer target boards and discard them in the trash cans.
- 11.11 All shell casings (brass, steel, shotgun) should be picked up and placed in the proper storage or trash cans. If you reload, you may take your own brass, but **no one is permitted to take brass that is not their own – it belongs to the club.**
- 11.12 Members are responsible to clean up after themselves and their guests.
- 11.13 Safety is everyone's responsibility, so if you see something that is unsafe, please tactfully say something or report it to the club.

**SECTION 12 – LONG RANGE SAFETY RULES – The purpose of this section is to provide specific rules for the use of the Long Range. Note: All other rules outlined in this document also apply to the Long Range. These rules will be posted in Long Range.**

- 12.1 Always enter or exit through the back entrance of the pavilion.
- 12.2 Members and guests must use one bench.
- 12.3 All guns to be used on the range **MUST** be cleared at the bench.
- 12.4 Range **procedures for CEASE FIRE- RED LIGHTS must be utilized.**
- **CEASE FIRE** is called, the **RED LIGHTS** switched **ON**.
  - All shooters unload, open action, step away from benches.
  - **“ALL CLEAR/RANGE IS COLD”** announced
  - **ACKNOWLEDGED BY EVERYONE ON THE FIRING LINE** prior to **ANYONE** moving beyond the firing line.
  - Once everyone has returned to behind the firing line an **“EVERYONE READY/RANGE IS GOING HOT” IS ANNOUNCED**
  - **ACKNOWLEDGED BY EVERYONE ON THE FIRING LINE**
  - **RED LIGHT** switched **OFF** prior to **ANYONE** resuming shooting.
- 12.5 **Cased Firearms** – before you remove your firearm for use, visually check the gun position in the case and turn the case so the muzzle of the gun is pointing downrange, and then uncase. Keep firearms pointed downrange. **If you case two firearms, they must both be pointing downrange in the case.**
- 12.6 All shooting must be done behind the firing line. If someone wants to shoot prone, kneeling, or other positions, no one can shoot behind or above them.
- 12.7 When there are multiple shooters, **ALL shooters MUST shoot from the same position, at the firing line. NO SHOOTERS IN FRONT OF OTHER SHOOTERS!**
- Sitting at table benches inside the pavilion
  - Standing on the outer platform in front of the benches.
  - Western Prone on the outer platform in front of the benches.

12.8 Process **for shooting forward of the firing line**

- Call a **CEASE FIRE. KEEP RED LIGHT TURNED ON.**
- Bring your firearms in a case or a properly worn holster to your desired position on the grass, for the 50-yard berm only.
- You may bring the portable table to your desired position.
- Remove the firearm from the case with the muzzle facing down range only. Load, shoot, clear, return firearm to case or properly worn holster before returning to the bench.
- If you only wish to shoot from the forward deck, your firearms muzzle must be pointed down range at all times.

12.9 Please be quick and courteous to any member waiting to use this range.

12.10 Targets from the rifle benches must be placed at the back berm in the predetermined holders only.

12.11 Please remove personal targets from the backer target boards and discard in the trash.

12.12 Club approved steel targets at 200 yards is allowed. No other steel or objects can be used as targets anywhere.

12.13 All shell casings (brass, steel, shotgun) should be picked up and placed in the proper storage or trash cans. If you reload, you may take your own brass, but **no one is permitted to take brass that is not their own – it belongs to the club.**

12.14 **Pick up all brass from the grass around** the Long Rifle Pavilion to minimize the risk of it being thrown by the lawn mower.

12.15 Long Range is closed during club sanctioned events.

12.16 Members are responsible to clean up after themselves and their guests.

12.17 Safety is everyone's responsibility, so if you see something that is unsafe, please tactfully say something or report it to the club.

**These rules apply to all persons using the ranges not limited to members, guests, instructor/individuals renting the training range, event visitors and competitors.**

**Exceptions to these rules will only be granted by written request and approval by the Board of Directors of the Ontario Rod & Gun Club.**

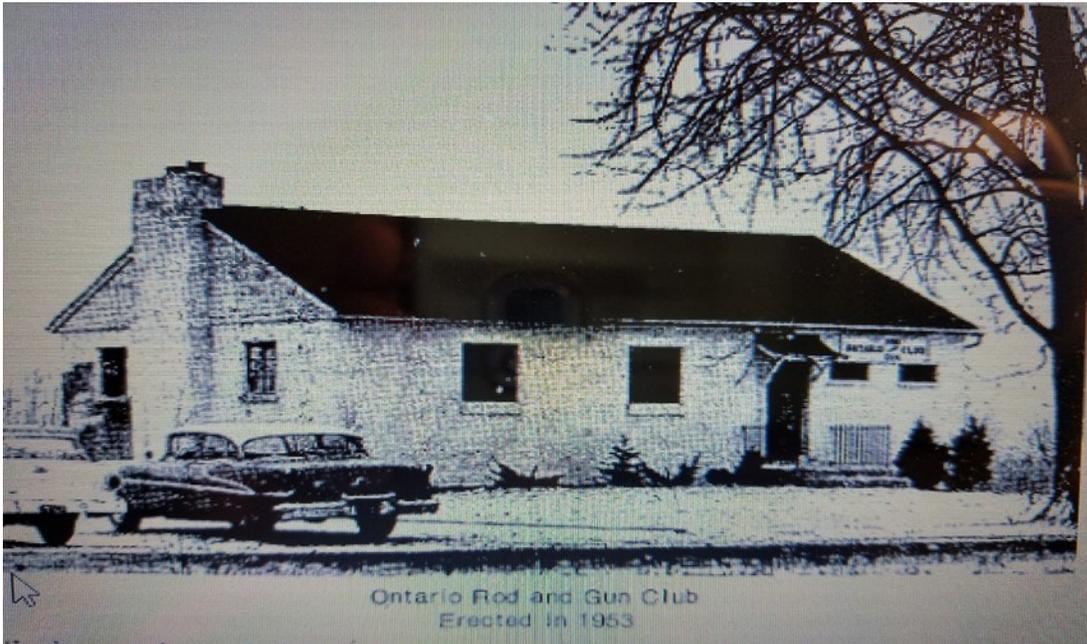
**Range Rules for the Ontario Rod and Gun Club, 2523 Trimble Road, Ontario, NY 14519 were adopted by the Officers and Board of Directors of ORGC on June 18, 2020.**

**These rules and policies will be in effect until at which time they are revised or updated at the discretion of ORGC Officers and Board of Directors.**

Signed

*Ken Paul*

**Ken Paul, President Ontario Rod & Gun Club**



The original ORGC logo was replaced several years ago with the bold eagle pictured on the front page.

In 1953, with the help of the New York State Conservation Department and the Federation of Wayne County Sportsman's Club, ORGC members created a "wildlife refuge pond." The pond was stocked with various fish and was used for an annual "fishing derby" for the children ages six to fifteen. Hence, the name Ontario ROD and Gun Club. The pond is gone, but the spirit of conservation, enjoyment of the outdoors, and commitment to maintaining the property remains strong.

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