

**ALBANY RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB
& FIREARMS TRAINING FACILITY
CONSTITUTION**

November 12, 2011

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Albany Rifle & Pistol Club and Firearms Training Facility hereafter known as "ARPC" and is located at 29999 Saddle Butte Rd., Shedd, Oregon, 97377.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

The objective of this organization shall be training and encouragement of organized shooting among citizens, law enforcement and military personnel of the United States, while encouraging marksmanship, safe firearm handling, and the proper care of firearms. Further, it is our goal to develop characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self-reliance which are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

(A) MEMBERSHIP YEAR: The membership year shall be established by the Executive Board and put to a vote for approval by a majority of members in good standing present at a meeting called for that purpose.

(B) TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP: There shall be six types of membership: Individual, Life, Endowment, Family, Junior and Honorary members.

(C) ELIGIBILITY. Any legal resident of the United States may become a member of ARPC after subscribing to the following pledge and upon payment of appropriate membership fees. The pledge of the Albany Rifle and Pistol Club is as follows:

THE PLEDGE

I certify that I am a legal resident of the United States of America and that I am not a member of any organization or group which has as any part of its program the attempt to overthrow the Government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions by force or violence; that I have never been convicted of a crime that would not legally allow me to own a firearm and if admitted to membership I will faithfully endeavor to fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

(D) BENEFITS AND DUTIES:

1. The use of the facilities of ARPC.
2. Competing for places on the various teams, which will represent ARPC in official competitions.
3. A voice and a vote in matters pertaining to the activities and welfare of ARPC as defined herein.
4. It shall be the duty of all members to observe the rules and regulations of ARPC. Further, to conduct themselves in a safe and responsible manner, displaying good sportsmanship, and fair play.
5. To promptly report to the Club officers any infractions of rules by members or visitors which may create an unsafe condition or reflect poorly on ARPC.
6. No member shall be considered to be in good standing who is more than thirty days in arrears in the payment of dues or who has been suspended by proper action of the officers of ARPC.
7. No member shall contract or obligate ARPC to pay fees, bills, or debts except upon approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP FEES

(A) INITIATION FEE. All new members (except for endowment, honorary and junior membership) shall pay an initiation fee. Any member not in good standing, beyond the current fiscal year, will be required to pay the initiation fee when reapplying for membership. The Executive Board may waive the initiation fee under certain circumstances.

(B). INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP: The members annual dues shall be established by the Executive Board and put to a vote for approval by a majority of members in good standing present at a meeting called for that purpose. Beginning January 1, 2012, an annual increase of \$2 per year has been approved. Individual members must be at least 18 years of age.

(C) LIFE MEMBERSHIP: Life memberships shall be open, upon decision of the Executive Board, to members in good standing for the past 2 membership years. The Life membership fee shall be at least twenty (20) times the total of the individual membership dues and work bond fees. Life memberships cannot be transferred to other individuals.

(D) ENDOWMENT MEMBERSHIP: Endowment memberships may be granted by the ARPC Executive Board. The Endowment membership fee shall be at least ten (10) times the Life membership fee. Endowment memberships shall be commemorated by special permanent recognition as determined by the Executive Board. Endowment memberships cannot be transferred to other individuals.

(E) HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: Honorary membership may be granted by ARPC in the following manner: Honorary memberships are awarded to nominees by the Executive Board and approved by a majority vote of the membership at any membership meeting. Honorary membership is awarded as recognition of a special benefit or service to ARPC. Honorary members are non-voting and are not eligible to be elected as club officers.

(F) FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS: Will be granted to a family unit, living within the same household. The fee for such a membership shall be established by the Executive Board and put to a vote for approval by a majority of members in good standing present at a meeting called for that purpose. Beginning January 1, 2012, an annual increase of \$3 per year has been approved. Each Family membership will have only 1 vote. All members within a family membership, holding active gate cards must be at least 18 years of age.

(G) JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP: Available to juniors under the age of 18 who are involved in shooting activities at ARPC. The fee for such a membership shall be established by the Executive Board and put to a vote for approval by a majority of members in good standing present at a meeting called for that purpose. All Junior members must be supervised by an adult member. Junior members are non-voting and are not eligible to be elected as club officers.

(H) BENEFACTOR STATUS: Any ARPC member can add benefactor status to their membership by donating money or possessions to ARPC by vote of the Executive Board. This special status will be recognized by giving the member a permanent name tag that designates the level of benefactor status and a plaque on the "Benefactor Wall of Recognition".

Benefactors will be recognized in the following levels:

Benefactor -	\$500 to \$1,000
Bronze Benefactor -	\$1,001 to \$2,500
Silver Benefactor -	\$2,501 to \$5,000
Gold Benefactor -	\$5,001 to \$7,500
Platinum Benefactor -	\$7,501 to \$10,000
Diamond Benefactor -	\$10,001 and up

(I) WORK BOND: Every new member pays the work bond fee when they join ARPC and it can be waived from that point forward by completing approved club work during the membership year. A member of ARPC can choose to pay the Work Bond fee each year instead of working the mandated hours for the club. Levels of work bond fees shall be established by the Executive Board and put to a vote for approval by a majority of the members in good standing present at a meeting called for that purpose. The Executive Board may waive the Work Bond fee under certain circumstances.

(J) ARREARS: No member of ARPC shall be eligible to vote or enjoy any privileges or benefits of ARPC who is not a member in good standing.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

(A) ANNUAL MEETINGS: The annual meeting of ARPC shall be held in the month of November each year.

(B) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS: A membership meeting of ARPC shall be held at least once in each quarter of the calendar year to conduct business at such time and place as may be fixed by the Executive Board.

(C) SPECIAL MEETINGS: A special meeting of ARPC may be held at any time upon the call of the President or upon the call of the Executive Board or upon demand in writing, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by not less than 20% of the members in good standing. Notice of the time, place and object of any special meeting shall be given to all officers and members in good standing in writing by United States mail not less than fifteen days prior to the date fixed for the holding of the meeting. The place of such special meeting shall be fixed by the Executive Board.

(D) QUORUM: No less than 20 members in good standing, including the Executive Board, shall constitute a quorum at any membership meeting.

ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE BOARD

(A) ELECTED OFFICERS: The officers of ARPC shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Instructor and Executive Officer who, acting together shall constitute the Executive Board. They shall be elected by a majority vote of the active members in good standing present at the annual meeting of ARPC. They shall hold office for one year.

(B) DUTIES: The Executive Board shall have general supervision, control of all activities, and the financial responsibility for ARPC.

(C) MEETINGS: Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held at least once in each quarter of the calendar year at such time and place as the Board may determine. Special meetings may be held at any time on the call of the President or on demand, in writing to the Secretary, by three members of the Board.

(D) QUORUM: Four members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

(E) RESIGNATION: Resignation of any officer may be accepted by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Board.

(F) VACANCIES: A vacancy in the Executive Board may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board. However, if more than one vacancy exists, a special meeting of ARPC members, in good standing, shall be called and new officers shall be elected to fill the vacancies until the date of the next annual meeting as provided in paragraph (A) above.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(A) PRESIDENT: The President shall preside at all membership and Executive Board meetings. He / She shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees and shall perform all other duties as usually pertain to his / her office.

(B) VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in his / her absence or at his / her request and shall oversee all shooting disciplines.

(C) SECRETARY: The Secretary shall keep a true record of all meetings and have custody of the books and papers of the club, except the Treasurers books of account.

(D) TREASURER: The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of ARPC and place the same in such bank or banks as may be approved by the Executive Board. Such money shall be withdrawn by check/voucher signed by the Treasurer or designated Executive Board appointed person (s) for the payment of such bills as have been approved by the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall be responsible for an accurate account of all transactions and render a detailed report with vouchers at any meeting of the Executive Board, when requested, and an annual report to the organization at its annual meeting.

(E) CHIEF INSTRUCTOR: The Chief Instructor shall oversee all ARPC firearms / safety instruction programs with authority to appoint his / her assistants as approved by the Executive Board.

(F) EXECUTIVE OFFICER: The Executive Officer shall oversee all ARPC ranges, property and facilities. He / She shall have the authority to appoint his / her assistants as approved by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII - SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

(A) OFFICERS: Any officer may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members in good standing present at any special meeting called for this purpose. Reference Article V Section C. No vote on suspension or removal may be taken unless at least fifteen days notice in writing shall have been given to the officer regarding the reasons for their removal, and including the date, time and place of the special meeting at which such ballot of their removal is to be taken. At such special meeting the officer shall be given a full hearing on the written charges. No additional charges may be presented or considered at this meeting without the express consent of the officer charged.

(B) MEMBERS: Any member may be suspended or expelled from the organization for any cause deemed sufficient by the Executive Board by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members of the Board. No vote on suspension or expulsion may be taken unless at least fifteen days notice in writing shall have been given to the member against which the charges were preferred, and of the date, time and place of the meeting of the Executive Board at which such charges will be considered. At such meeting the member charged will be accorded a full hearing on the written charges. No new charges may be introduced or heard at this meeting without the express consent of the member charged.

(C) CHARGES: Charges against any officer or member may be preferred by any member in good standing. They shall be in writing, clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits, which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the Secretary who will immediately notify the President. The President will call a meeting of the Executive Board to hear the charges. The Secretary will give at least fifteen days notice of the meeting to each member of the Executive Board, the accuser and to the accused. Such notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges, supporting affidavits and exhibits.

(D) APPEAL: Any member suspended or expelled by the Executive Board may appeal to the full membership of the organization. Such appeal shall be made to the Secretary in writing, who will notify the President. The President will call a special meeting of the organization for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Secretary shall give at least fifteen days notice in writing to all members of the organization in good standing. The notice shall include the date, time, place and reason for such special meeting. At the meeting the Secretary will read the original charges, the supporting affidavit, any accompanying exhibits and the minutes of the special meeting or the Executive Board at which the charges were heard and action taken. A full hearing will be given the accuser and the accused. A vote will be taken by ballot of the members in good standing present. A two-thirds vote shall be required to reverse the action of the Executive Board.

(E) TESTIMONY: All testimony at hearings on charges against officers or members shall be under oath. The President or other presiding officer will swear in the witnesses who give verbal testimony. Affidavits or expositions sworn before a notary public or other officer authorized by law to give oaths in court proceedings shall be acceptable as evidence.

ARTICLE IX - RULES OF ORDER

All meetings of ARPC and of the Executive Board will be conducted in accordance with the revised Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Constitution may be introduced by any member, in good standing, of ARPC at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose. The Executive Board will review and make recommendations to the membership. Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, the amendment(s) will be acted upon by ARPC membership at a special meeting called for that purpose. A copy of the proposed amendment(s) will be sent to each club member by United States mail or personally delivered at least ten days prior to the meeting. A majority vote of the active members present will be necessary to approve any amendment(s).

ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION

Upon recommendation of dissolution by the Executive Board a special meeting of the membership will be called for that purpose and a vote for dissolution will be taken. In the event ARPC is dissolved or discontinued, either by act of the Corporation or by operation of law, the assets of the organization shall be transferred to an NRA affiliated shooting range / Gun Club in the State of Oregon as determined by the membership provided, however, that in no event shall any member of this organization derive a profit or receive any part of the assets of the corporation upon dissolution or distribution thereof pursuant to this Article.

ARTICLE XII - BYLAWS

The ARPC Executive Board, by a majority vote of officers present at any Executive Board meeting, shall have the power to create and/or amend procedures for the operation, conduct of meetings, committees and competitions not in conflict with this Constitution. These procedures shall be known as Bylaws.