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BYLAWS OF THE DAVENPORT SHOOTING ASSOCIATION





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ARTICLE I. OFFICIAL CLUB NAME

The name of the organization shall be the “Davenport Shooting Association” (DSA) and it may also use the original name of “Davenport Schuetzen Verein” (DSV) on its awards or other material deemed suitable for the name use. Hereinafter in these bylaws it will be referred to as the club, or the association.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

The purpose of the club shall be to conduct such activities which allow its members to have and participate in the traditional off hand shooting sport considered to be the Schuetzen style. This includes several elements:

1. Continue the traditions of the club and the sport.
2. Preserve the club property and use its assets wisely, looking to the future when planning.
3. Encourage new Membership of persons able and willing to carry on the purposes of the club.
4. Retain and maintain the club as a Davenport, Scott County, Iowa, organization since its historical roots are there.
5. When it is in the best interest of the club, promote the overall sport of Schuetzen style competition.

This club is not organized for and shall not be operated for pecuniary gain or profit of any individual, and except for prizes and awards no part of its net earnings shall inure or benefit any private individual. The club shall never be authorized to engage in a retail business or activity except in furtherance of the purposes stated above, for which the club is organized.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND GUESTS

Section 1. Membership Categories

Membership in the club shall be comprised of the following categories which begin as an applicant and progresses to life membership as delineated below;

Section 1(a) APPLICANT: Anyone who desires to become a member of the club shall first be considered as an applicant. Applicants must be proposed or sponsored by a voting member of the club or association, at the annual meeting. The applicant shall have completed an application form and submitted to the club secretary, which shall then be presented to the club membership at the annual Club meeting. The applicant and/or their sponsor are encouraged to be present when and the applicant’s name and back ground is read aloud to the membership. After which a vote will be made (via a show of hands) on

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the acceptance or rejection of the individual to progress from an applicant to candidate membership status. A candidate will be rejected for Membership if there are three or more votes, cast against the applicant admission by the club membership present at the vote. The applicant shall not be present in the meeting room while consideration is being given on their acceptance vote.

Section 1 (b) CANDIATE: *After acceptance as a candidate, the new member shall be on a probationary period for the first year. During this probationary period the candidate must attend and shoot in at least six monthly shoots, have read the bylaws and attachments and have volunteered to participate in various club activities during the year. At the annual meeting after the one-year probationary period is completed, the voting membership present, will vote, by “secret ballot”, on the question of his/her admittance to the club as a nonvoting member. The candidate Member(s) shall not be present in the meeting room while consideration is being given on the acceptance of anyone into membership status as a candidate. A candidate will be rejected for Membership if there are three or more votes cast against admission at either vote. The candidate member must pay the annual dues for the trial year, and upon admission to membership, must pay the annual dues prior to having any rights of membership. As a candidate member, he/she will be provided a *red* name badge that will signify that they are a candidate member. They will be requested to wear his/her name badge at all shooting events, and club meetings, so that all member can become acquainted and familiar with the new candidate prior to the club voting on them as a nonvoting member, during the next year. During this one year probationary period it will be the duty of the sponsor to act as a mentor to teach, explain, and or indoctrinate the candidate member on the various shooting events and associated shooting rules. Candidates and guests, Match participation is restricted as outlined in Attachment 5. Candidates will still have no additional privileges when it comes to use of the club, nor will they be given/issued any keys/combinations to any of the buildings or gate.*

At the time a candidate progresses to non-voting member status, membership in the NRA is required. All candidate, non-voting, and voting members must be NRA members, and show their NRA membership upon request. Those who were DSA members prior to January 1994 are exempt from this provision.

Section 1 (c) NONVOTING MEMBER: *after the candidate member is accepted as a nonvoting member, he/she will have full rights in the club to attend all shooting matches and events, all the annual banquets and monthly meetings of the Board of Trustee meeting. They can hold the positions of elected offices, and committees. However they will not be allowed to vote on any club business to include, but not limited to the acceptance of new members; election of any club official, election of Board or committee members, nor vote on any club business being brought before the general membership. During this period they will be required to pay their yearly dues and remaining in good standing in accordance with the Bylaws of the club for the next five years. Additionally*



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the club will provide all nonvoting member with a new *blue* name badge, signifying that they are a member in good standing but are not yet allowed to vote on any club business.

Section 1 (d) VOTING MEMBER: at the completion of their fifth (5) year as a non-voting member, if that individual remains in good standing, that individual will continue to have full rights in the club to attend all shooting matches and events and they shall automatically attain the right to vote on all nominations and club affairs. After attaining voting membership status, the club will provide a new *green* name badge that signifies they have been a member in good standing, for the last five years and have meet the criteria to become a full voting member.

Section 1 (e) LIFE MEMBER: at the official completion of their tenth (10th) year as of a member of the club, and if in good standing and having met all other club requirements, the voting member shall be automatically accorded, “Life Membership” status. After having received this, the club member shall continue to have full rights and privileges in the club as noted above, however they will no longer be required to pay the yearly club membership dues. Additionally the club will now provide a new *Gold* colored name badge signifying they have attained this status.

Section 1 (f) INACTIVE-VOTING MEMBER: Any life member, in good standing that has not shot in or attend any club shooting matches or events, has not attended any of the formal or informal club meetings, nor attended the annual banquet within the last three years, shall be considered an inactive voting member. As an inactive-voting member he/she will still have all the all rights and privileges of a Life Member, except, they will not receive the yearly club newsletter(s), with the upcoming shooting matches and events, nor will they receive any updates to the club bylaws, however they will still receive the notice for the annual banquet and annual club meeting, (to include the meeting agenda and POC). To revert back into a full Membership, all that member has to do is attend any one of the club events (shooting match, meeting or work party etc.) or make a request to the Board to continue to receive the various club mailings and bylaw notifications and updates.

Section 2 Membership Qualifications

Membership may consist of both men and women. There is no minimum age limit on membership provided that the applicant demonstrates good sportsmanship, safe gun handling, and knowledge of club rules. Junior Members (age 18 and under) must be accompanied by a Full or Senior Member or involved in a sponsored activity while on club property. No building key or gate combination will be issued to junior members.



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Section 3 Rights of Membership.

Both voting and non-voting members have the rights and privileges as follows; to include any activities and functions accorded any member in good standing including attend regular and special meetings of the general membership, participate in club discussions and other activities, can serve as club officers, and can serve on committees, (if nominated and elected), and may compete for any and all monthly competitions and annual awards as outlined or described in Attachment 5 on Prizes and Awards. Further, members in good standing are entitled to fire at the Honor Target at the regular monthly shoots without paying an entry fee should that member so choose to not purchase the full set of targets. Such limited participation would be for record and for the season's medals, but would be without sharing in the monthly prizes. Further, members in good standing are entitled to one free shot at the King Target, provided the entry fees are paid for the regular set of targets. The bylaws shall also be posted in the clubhouse, as well as provided to all new members upon acceptance as a candidate member, or to any member upon his/her request.

Candidate and probationary members may not shoot at the King Target or Honor Target.

No Member, candidate, nonvoting or voting member, shall have any rights to, or interest in the property or assets of the club or association.

Only voting members have the sole right to vote and to hold any of the positions on the Board of Trustee in the association.

Section 4 Members in Good Standing Members In Good Standing are any full member(s) that pays their membership dues (as appropriate) regularly and on time, attend a majority of the monthly club shoots and matches, assists the club in maintaining and upholding the traditions and intentions of the original founding members, in conducting the traditional style of Schuetzen rifle shooting. This includes at all times conducting ourselves in a safe, courteous and professional manner, to include as a minimum, but not limited to treating each member and guest with respect and common courteous while on club property. This also includes being good stewards of the land and club facilities to which all of us belong.

Section 5 Club Privileges

Club Privileges that are accorded Full Members include using all the rifle ranges and equipment in a safe manor at all times and as they were designed and intended to in accordance with the traditions of the club as stated in the bylaws. Basic Club Privileges include using Club lands for any non-shooting event or activities such as mushroom hunting, etc. and generally enjoying the privileges this great club has to offer to its entire membership. Other Club Privileges are also available to members, that are based on specific approval, by the Board of Trustees, on the approved/authorized dates, times and in the specific locations on the club property, which include but are not limited to; using



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the club house for family events and gatherings; using the club lands for legally hunting, fishing and trapping, etc.. While using any of the Club ranges, equipment and or facilities, it is the responsibility of the “using member” to keep the facility and equipment in a clean, and well kept and orderly manner.

Section 6. Membership Dues.

The amount of the annual membership dues are set by the Board of Trustees, and are in effect throughout the year (1 January thru 31 December). Any changes in dues shall only be affective at the beginning of a new year, and shall be announced prior to 1 Jan of the upcoming year.

All club membership dues shall be paid to the Club Secretary prior to the date and time established for the annual meeting; immediately before the start of the annual meeting or by the end of January of each new-year. Membership dues are required for the first 10 (qualified) years, after which any member in good standing shall become a life member, and will be exempt from paying dues “for life”. Early or Full prepayment of membership dues covering the first ten year period, will not automatically qualify that individual for immediate “life membership” status.

Dues not paid by 31 March of the year shall be considered delinquent. Once the membership dues have been determined to be delinquent, a written or verbal notice will be given by the secretary to that club member and they will have an additional 60 days, from date of notification in which to pay their yearly dues. Until delinquent dues are paid, that member may not participate in any club shooting events or activities afforded to the club membership. If the membership dues remain unpaid by the end of the calendar year, that Member will be notified by the club secretary and (he/she) shall be dropped from the Membership rolls. Reinstatement shall be by petition to the Board, if the petition is accepted by the Board, full payment of any unpaid or outstanding dues balances, shall be immediately tendered to the secretary. If the petition is denied and/or the unpaid balances are not corrected or rectified, the expulsion shall become official and it will be announced by the Secretary at the annual meeting of the association.

Section 7. Military Service

During the time period that any club member, is called up for full active military duty, (not the regular Reserve or monthly NG duty) the club will not consider this time as a break, or be held against that club member, toward accruing his consecutive number of years towards “Life membership” status. Additionally while on active duty, the club member will not be required to pay any yearly dues and their already accrued club time shall be held in “abeyance” until he/she notifies the club that he/she has completed their service commitment, and returns as a fully active member. Once that club member has returned, his yearly club accrual time shall begin again as before, and will be added to any previous club time, until that member has completed his full ten (10) year requirement towards “Life Membership” status.



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Section 8. Ending or Cessation of Membership

Whoever ceases to be a member has no rights to, or interest in, any club assets or any dues paid in advance.

Section 9. Guests.

Members, (excluding Candidate Members) may sponsor guests for approved Club activities. The Sponsoring members will assume full or all responsibility for the conduct and equipment of the guest, while they are on the club property. Should a visitor from another area or otherwise non-sponsored persons ask to shoot in a club event, the shooting Master or his delegate may assume sponsorship and responsibility for conduct and equipment. Member's Guest(s) have certain shooting or Match restrictions, see Attachment 5.

Section 10. Conduct of Membership.

All members, candidate members and guests are expected to observe the rules of the club and observe the safety precautions required by the sport. Any charges of misconduct against any member(s) must be in writing. Charges may be made by a member or by a club officer. If a charge is to be made, the accused must be given written notice which includes the specific act or acts alleged to have been misconduct. Both parties must be given opportunity to present their cases at a meeting of the association. If the charge is not withdrawn, the Membership must vote to sustain or deny the charge. A vote to sustain the charge of misconduct must be approved by quorum of the members present and a penalty imposed. The following penalties may be exacted: reprimand in public meeting; temporary suspension; or expulsion. A temporarily suspended member is subject to all dues otherwise required, but for the duration of the suspension loses all membership rights. A member who has been expelled may become a new member by being again proposed as a new candidate and may be accepted after completing the trial year.

Section 11. Unsafe or Dangerous Acts while on Club Property:

All members are responsible for conducting them selves in a safe manner in any activity while on club property. If any member witnesses an unsafe or dangerous act being committed by any other member(s), first and foremost, they shall immediately alert/notify that member, relative to the safety issue at hand and request they stop the unsafe act. If an unsafe act takes place during an authorized shooting event that member shall immediately notify the Schuetzenmeister. If he is unavailable, then they shall notify any of the Board members or club officers in attendance at this event. Then at the most convenient time, the club member shall provide a report (in writing or verbally) to the members of the Board at the next scheduled meeting; detailing the specifics of the unsafe, unauthorized act or safety violation. The Board of Trustees shall discuss the unauthorized



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action or safety violation and decide what if any actions shall be taken against the offending club member. If a dispute arises between the two club members' relative incident; (the reporting/witnessing club member and the offending club member) shall each be given time to present their side of the incident/action(s) to the Board in a Special meeting. The Board shall determine if there was an unsafe action committed and they shall give recommendation(s) to the club membership and the recommended punishment.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CLUB SHOOTING MASTER, AND ANNUAL CLUB OFFICERS

General: The names and positions of all Board Members, Club Officers, Schuetzen Meister, and Standing Committee members shall be listed on the DSA WEB site (members only area) and also listed at the top of the annual club news letter.

Section 1. The Purpose and Membership of the Board of Trustees

The board shall be comprised of seven members holding the following positions; Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Club Secretary, Club Treasurer, and three members at large. The business and affairs of the club shall be managed by the Board of Trustees, hereinafter called the Board. Terms of office for each individual member shall be for seven concurrent years, with one new Board member being elected to the Board at each annual club meeting of the general Membership.

Section 2. The Board of Trustee Meetings

The Trustees shall hold an organizational meeting within thirty (30) days of the annual meeting, and shall hold other meetings as necessary for the conduct of the club business.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees Authority

In exercising the authority to manage the business and affairs of the club, the Board shall not have the right to sell assets of the club, valued at over \$10,000.00, without consent of a quorum of voting Members at an annual or special meeting, and in such event Members have the "right of first refusal" to match or exceed an outside offer. The term "selling assets" does not include the conversion of assets from one type to another (e.g. selling one stock or mutual fund and purchasing another.) "Selling assets" only means disposing of tangible assets for cash or other compensation.

Section 4. To remain in office, each Board Member (he or she) shall attend a minimum of six of the official shoots and/or Board meetings that are held each year. Attendance does require actual shooting during the competitions. If someone gives formal written notice that they can no longer serve as a Board Member, or because of death, or health or disability are no longer able to serve as a Board Member, a special



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meeting will be called so that the general Membership can hold an election to fill the unexpired term.

Section 5. A voting quorum shall consist of a majority of the Board members present.

Section 6. The Board shall select from its Members; a Chairman; Vice Chairman; Recording Secretary; Treasurer and three members at large.

Section 7. The Board of Trustees Duties

The individual duties of the officers of the Board shall include, but are not be limited to the following:

The **Chairman** shall preside over the meetings of the Board, and shall receive reports of standing and special committees, and shall appoint Members to those committees, and will be the official spokesman for the club, and will exercise all duties and powers normally incident to the office. The Chairman shall have the responsibility for appointing all committees.

The **Vice-Chairman** shall serve as Chairman in that person's absence, at both meetings and other functions, and perform such other duties as the Board may authorize, and shall exercise supervision over the property of the club, advising the Trustees of concerns which may arise with the property.

The **Recording Club Secretary** shall keep accurate accounts of the affairs of the Board, and render an accounting of the same to the general Membership at the annual meeting. These accounts or records shall become part of the permanent records of the club and shall also reflect that they have been presented to the Membership at the annual meeting.

The **Treasurer of the Board** shall be responsible for keeping accurate records of the financial affairs of the club, and other responsibilities customary for the office. These shall include, but are not be limited to, periodic transfer of operating funds to the Club Secretary. Further, the Treasures shall make a Treasurer's report to be delivered at the annual meeting, providing a copy to the Club Secretary; and shall make the Trustees aware of any known impending change in the financial affairs or fiscal matters or the club assets so that the Board can take appropriate actions in keeping with the purposes of the club listed in Article I. The Treasurer is not responsible for the Club Secretary's financial record keeping, but shall retain a copy of the Annual Secretary's report as a part of the Treasurer's records.

The Members at Large are responsible for providing additional input, advice and support to the Board members and may act as a backup for standing Board members, if they are unable to attend, the monthly or annual meeting(s) throughout the year. Their duties shall include but are not limited to, assisting the board in developing new projects, obtaining quotes for club work, organizing or working on special committees, and or any other



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duties or tasks that are assigned by the Chairman of the Board. Any efforts or special duties assigned by the Chairman to the Members at Large will require that their proposal and/or findings be reported back to the standing Board members for a final vote and/or decision, prior to that (or any) proposal, being discussed or presented to the general club membership.

Section 8 THE SHOOTING MASTER (Schuetzen Meister)

Traditionally called the “Schuetzen Meister”, herein called (master) shall be elected from the general Membership to fill this position of honor which carries with it the role of being the “judge” in disputes of rules, and procedures during competitions, and generally overseeing the conduct of the shooting and shooters. The Shooting Master shall be invited to attend all meetings of the Board however; they will not have voting rights unless they are also a member of the Board. The Shooting Master shall be elected each year at the annual club meeting, and may, if reelected, each year hold that office an unlimited number of times. The Shooting Master may also hold any other office in the club concurrently with the role of Shooting Master. The Shooting Master may delegate another member to represent him on the range, or to assist him if the range is in two or more sections. Should no one be delegated, the senior Board member present at that match shall acquire the responsibility for the duties of the Shooting Master on that range.

Section 9 ANNUAL CLUB OFFICERS

The following are the club officer positions; President, Vice President, Club Secretary, Shooting Master, Cashier, the Official Club Historian and/or Photographer and one seven (7) year Trustee shall be elected by a majority vote of those voting members in attendance at the annual Membership meeting. At the time of election of officers if there is more than one nominee for the office, the election must be by written ballot.

The **President** shall preside over the annual or special meetings of the Membership, and shall have the honor of determining the location of and presiding over and generally organizing at the annual awards banquet ceremony. At these events he/she shall be assisted by such other officers and committees as the event requires, such as, but not limited, to organizing the preparation and cleanup, before and after said events.

The **Vice President’s** role shall be to act as President in the event of that person’s absence and to assist the President in performing his duties.

The **Club Secretary** shall keep such records as are required for proper and legal operations of the club, and maintain historical records of the club. The Club Secretary shall receive money for the Treasurer and other sources to pay club obligations and bills, and keep records of such monies. An accounting of these shall be made at the annual meeting and a copy provided for the Treasurer’s records. Further, the Secretary shall record minutes at special and annual meetings and present these for approval at the next membership meeting. These shall become part of the permanent records of the club. The Secretary shall be responsible for proper notification of meetings as required in Article V.



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All applications for Membership and dues shall be transmitted to the Club Secretary who shall keep a "Membership Journal" in chronological order as part of the club's permanent records. The secretary shall score targets or have them scored, use those scores to calculate and distribute prize money. Prize money can be paid on the same day or later in cash or check. Records of the club competitions will be a part of the Secretary's records and will record prize monies paid to individuals, and other details necessary to award prizes. These records will be part of the permanent records of the club.

The **Cashier** (or his delegate) shall maintain and bring supplies of targets and related materials and equipment to provide for designated shooting events, and shall accept entry fees and pass those to the Secretary. Both the Cashier and the Secretary may and should have assistance from other Members in the conduct of their roles in club competitions.

**On the day of the monthly club matches (indoor or outdoor rimfire), the cashier, the shooting master of record for that day and the club secretary will NOT be required to pay any match fees for that day.

The **Club Historian/Photographer** shall appoint additional committee members as necessary to make him or designated alternate, available for all the Club special events, annual club meeting, annual club banquet, monthly shooting events etc. and any other sponsored club event that should be recorded for posterity purposes. The Club responsibilities will be to document all club activities via photos or electronic recording means of the individual club members, spouses, guests, speakers and board members, and on-going activities for the purpose of historically recording these yearly activities. These photographs shall become the sole property of the DSA Club. The Club shall provide the Historian/Photographer with a suitable camera (unless he chooses to use his own) and he shall be reimbursed for any photographic or digital development cost as approved by the Board.

The **Club WEB Master** will be responsible for posting all official Club information on the DSA WEB site. This will include the posting of appropriate club events that include but are not limited to all match scores as provided by the Club Secretary, Club Meetings, and general club information. He will also be responsible for maintaining and/or general up keeping of the DSA WEB site, as well as reporting any problems or deficiencies of the DSA WEB site, to the Board. This person will be nominated/selected by the President of the Board, and can serve, for as many year(s) as he/she is willing to accept.

ARTICLE V. CLUB MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual Club meeting of the general membership of the club shall be at the time and place designated by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and shall be during the month of January. Written notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting shall be mailed at least two weeks in advance to all voting, non-voting, and candidate Members, and may be posted on the DSA WEB site (in the members only area) and if possible provided at the monthly shooting matches, just prior to the safety/annual



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meeting. The order of business at the annual club meeting or any other special club meeting(s) shall be conducted in the following sequence listed below and shall be called the "Order Of Business".

Any business which is not authorized for that meeting shall be passed over.

- Call to order and record of attendance.
- Reading of the minutes of the last meeting and call to approve.
- Reading of the minutes of the meetings of the Trustees.
- Proposal of candidate Members, and vote on same.
- Proposal of admission of new Members, and vote on same.
- Report of Treasurer, Secretary, and Cashier.
- Report of standing committees.
- Report of special committees.
- Bills and communications.
- Unfinished business
- Nomination and election of officers.
- New business.
- Adjournment.

Section 2. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the full Membership shall be called by the Secretary on request of the Chairman, or two Trustees, or on written request signed by five (5) or more voting Members, provided that at least two week's written notice is given to the full Membership. The notice shall provide a listing of the business to be conducted, and no other business which may come before that meeting may be considered.

Section 3. Trustee Meetings

The Trustees shall hold an organizational meeting within thirty (30) days of the annual meeting and shall hold other meetings as necessary for the conduct of the club business.

Section 4. Committees

GENERAL: There are two types of committees; **Standing** and **Special**; with both committee chairman and members reporting directly to the Board of Trustees. The Chairman and members of both the standing and special committees are not authorized to enjoin or obligate the club, financially or otherwise, in any works efforts, club events, building projects, or any other financial commitments unless specifically authorized and approved by the Board.



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The Chairman of the standing committees shall serve a term of three (3) years, with their names and positions listed in the annual newsletter. Recommendations, nominations, and the actual voting in of new or current committee chairmen, will be made at the annual meeting. The chairman of each individual standing committee shall be elected by a majority vote of those members in attendance at the annual club meeting. Current committees Chairman can be reelected at the end of their current three year term and/or serve multiple terms on the same committee. Current Chairman can also be nominated for and/or serve on different committees; however any committee Chairman can only serve on one committee at a time, during the three period.

Standing Committees

The three standing committees are; **grounds, prize and nominating** committee, these committees can be comprised of as many members as deemed necessary by the board (or as requested by the Chairman of the Standing Committee), to perform or handle the club business. Their duties are listed below.

The **grounds committee** shall perform such functions relating to the outdoor and indoor ranges as are necessary to keep them in good repair, and left clean after each use. The committee members themselves are not required to personally do the work, but to set standards for care of the ranges, and to alert the Trustees to the need for repairs or other concerns. A report by the standing committee is to be made at the annual meeting.

The **prize committee** shall insure that there are adequate and proper awards for distribution at the annual banquet. Upon receipt of the names of the winners from the Club Secretary the committee shall prepare and distribute the prizes. A report by the standing committee shall be made at the annual meeting.

The **nominating committee** shall, after determining the willingness of any given prospective office holder, and that they understand the task, shall offer that name in nomination during elections at the annual meeting. In no case shall it be required that a name must be proposed by the nominating committee in order to be included in nominations for election to any office. Nominations shall be accepted from the floor during the annual meeting. The nominations of the nominating committee should be made known to all members of the club prior to the date of the annual meeting so that other nominations can be considered by club members.

Special Committees: Are considered to be “Ad-Hoc” committees appointed by The Board of Trustees, on an as needed basis to handle or perform special tasks and club business. The chairman and members of any special committee shall be appointed on a limited basis at any time by the Board based on their own recommendations. The Board shall clearly define what the specific task or what the action is, that this special committee (and their membership) are to perform and the required timeframe to report back. The special committee can be comprised of as many members as deemed necessary



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by the board (or as requested by the Chairman of the Special Committee), to perform or handle the club business. After the chairman of any special committee presents their report and findings to the Board, the special committees maybe dismissed or retained by the Board at their request, if additional work is required to complete the assigned action.

ARTICLE VI. FINANCES

Section 1. Revenue from other sources may be raised as determined necessary by the Board.

Section 2. Contracts, deed, documents, and instruments, shall, unless otherwise directed by the Board, be signed in the name of and on behalf of the club by the Chairman, or the Vice-Chairman, together with the Club Secretary, Treasurer, or another Trustee as the Board may appoint.

Section 3. Shooting fees for each type of match shall be determined by the Board as they deem necessary, appropriate, and prudent. Shooting fees may be changed annually. Members shall be notified of the fee schedule for the upcoming year at the annual meeting. Shooting fees shall never be allowed to become so high that they prevent or discourage shooters from participating, nor so high that they affect the sportsmanship or goals of the Davenport Shooting Association.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS /CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS

The power to amend the bylaws or adopt new bylaws is reserved to the voting Membership. Such change shall require notice to be sent at least four weeks in advance to all Members of the club, and may be done at the regular annual meeting or at a special meeting duly called. The notice shall include a written summary of the proposal to be considered. Approval shall require an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the voting Members in attendance.

Suspension of bylaws

No motion before or during a meeting may act to suspend or limit any provision of the bylaws. Any action taken in violation of this Section shall be void.

ARTICLE VIII. RULES OF ORDER

“Robert’s rules of order” shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters of procedure not specifically covered by these bylaws under Article V “Order Of Business” or elsewhere.



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ARTICLE IX. INDEMNITY

Any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending, or contemplated action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (including an action by or in the right of the club) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, Trustee, employee, or agent of the club, or is or was serving at the request of the club as a director or Officer, Trustee, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, shall be indemnified by the club against expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit, or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the club and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, if he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful), to the maximum extent permitted by, and in the manner provided by, the Iowa non-profit corporation act, and if applicable, Section 4941 of the United States internal revenue code of 1954, as amended. In so far as possible these potential expenses should be safeguarded against through liability insurance coverage.

ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution of this club to the extent allowed under applicable law, all assets of the club shall be sold, and the proceeds there from shall be used and devoted to such beneficial public purposes that are in accord with the purposes of this club or corporation. Those public purposes shall be determined by voting Members at a duly convened meeting of the club at the time of its dissolution. In no event shall the assets of the club or corporation at dissolution be divided among the then Members. Such dissolution shall conform to the laws of Iowa then in effect. In the event the Members fail to act in the manner herein provided, within a reasonable time, the Senior Judge of Scott County, state of Iowa, shall make such distribution herein provided upon application of one or more persons having a real interest in the club of its assets.

ARTICLE XI. ATTACHMENTS

Section 1. The rules for conducting the shooting programs shall conform to the stated purposes of the club, and shall be approved by the voting Membership. These rules shall be written, and will become attachments to the bylaws. They will require approval of the Membership to change just as would any actual bylaw, and by the same process. These rules shall also specify types of individual equipment which may be used in competition and/or in practice on the range or club property.



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Section 2. The shooting program, the matches or events, and awards shall conform to the stated purposes of the club, but shall be determined by the Board with advice of the appropriate committees. The program shall be attachments to the bylaws. However, it shall only require approval of the Trustees to change the program, events, matches, awards and related matters.

The monthly shooting program shall be in writing. Every member shall be mailed a copy (either hard copy or electronically) of the dates for the season's monthly shoots, which are normally held on the first Sunday or each month, but sometimes adjusted for holidays, etc.

Section 3. A copy of the shooting rules and the program above shall be provided to Members and Candidate Members. A copy shall be available at every regular shoot or meeting of the club. Approved changes shall be mailed (electronically or in hard copy) to Members who shall be responsible for keeping their individual rules or programs up to date. Exceptions made necessary by unforeseen circumstances may alter dates of scheduled shooting events and would be excluded from the thirty (30) day notice if time did not permit.

A copy of the bylaws shall be available for examination by any Member and shall be available at every regular shoot or meeting of the club.



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ATTACHMENT #1

SHOOTING RULES

Part 1 -- General Rules For All Ranges And Matches

Rule No. 1. Whoever violates the following rules may be ordered from the range facility for the duration of the day, but in that event, the Shooting Master must prefer charges against the so ejected at the next meeting of the association.

Rule No. 2. Absolute order must prevail throughout the entire range facility and it is strictly forbidden to disturb a shooter who is on the firing line, through conversation or other willful interference.

Rule No. 3. The cartridge must NOT be inserted into the rifle before the shooter is on the firing line and his/her rifle is pointed in the general direction of the target. The rifle must be unloaded before the shooter leaves the firing line. Magazines of repeating rifles must be empty at all times.

Rule No. 4. A shooter shall always carry his rifle to and from the firing line in a safe position. Bolts or breechblocks must be kept open at all times and with empty chamber indicator inserted when the shooter is not on the firing line ready to fire, or when the line is declared safe by the Shooting Meister. No firearms shall be handled when persons are down range and/or the line is declared safe.

Rule No. 5. All safe gun handling rules shall apply.

Rule No. 6. No alcoholic beverages will be consumed during shooting hours.

Rule No. 7. Sights must meet the rules of the match. Unless specified otherwise, any sights may be used.

Rule No. 8. In all offhand matches, only free hand shooting is permitted. No shooter shall support any part of his body, other than his feet, upon or against any stationary object. Palm rests, set triggers, and hook butt plates are permitted.

Rule No. 9. In all rimfire matches, when a shot touches a line on the target, it shall be scored as a shot in the highest ring touched. A shot appearing outside the lowest value scoring ring will be scored as a miss, unless as otherwise specified in the shooting program. A target having more shots than the target calls for shall score at the lowest value of the shots.

Rule No. 10. Any shooter firing on the wrong target shall forfeit that shot, and the shooter upon whose target the wrong shot was fired shall have the right to continue his shots as though the wrong shot had not been fired on his target. If both shots are fired at the same time, the one shooting on the proper target shall be given the shot counting the highest score of the two shots on his target.

Rule No. 11. Any circumstance not covered by the bylaws and shooting rules shall be decided by the rules committee and shooting Master in charge, and their decisions shall be final.



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Rule No. 12. No special supportive clothing or equipment may be used, unless permitted in other parts of these rules or allowed by the Shooting Master. If cold or other conditions require jackets, they shall be unbuttoned or unzipped while shooting.

Rule No. 13. All match targets shall be dated and otherwise marked to identify the date and year of the shoot and the competitor's name as soon as they are issued.

Rule No. 14. The latest official NRA .22 caliber plug, C&H scoring aid, user scoring gauge, target overlay or magnifier, or the club's precision center measurement gauge may be used for scoring. These may be used in any combination.

Rule No. 15. The Shooting Master, *Secretary or his/her* assistant or delegates are the only ones permitted to use a plug to measure targets submitted for record. Others may use optical aids which do not enter into the shot hole to judge their targets.

Part 2 -- Outdoor Range (Enclosed Range)

Rule No. 1. Every shooter must surrender his/her shooting card before firing the shot; otherwise the shot must be declared invalid.

Rule No. 2. No ammunition other than standard .22 caliber rimfire cartridges will be allowed to be discharged on the range.

Rule No. 3. The breaking of tie scores on the ring target will be based on the greatest number of 25's or higher point value hits. Multiple ties are to be broken by penalizing the widest shot.

A. The 1 shot ring target will be scored as the highest value closest to the center 25.

B. The man target is scored as in the indoor rules.

C. A tie which cannot be broken will be decided by the flip of a coin or by firing a single shot on a one shot target and the highest score will be declared the winner.

Rule No. 4. A shot discharged while the rifle is resting on the rail is void, but so soon as the rifle is raised from the rail and discharged, the shot is legal and for record unless declared in advance to be otherwise.

Rule No. 5. Before leaving the shooting booth the shooter shall check that his shots are correctly noted by the scorer, otherwise he shall not be permitted a claim for scoring errors, and the score card must be signed or initialed by the scorekeeper and the shooter.

Rule No. 6. The rifle shall be approximately sighted for 200 yards before being fired at the targets in the target house.

Rule No 7. A shooter is entitled to shoot for 30 minutes in the shooting booth, then must vacate to make room for the next shooter. The scorer will be the timekeeper.

Rule No. 8. For normal monthly matches, unless otherwise designated by the Shooting Master, registration for matches shall begin at approximately 1200. Firing shall begin as soon thereafter as the Shooting Master deems appropriate. Entries close at 3:00 pm.



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Part 3 -- Indoor Range

Rule No. 1. The duration of shooting relays shall be set by the Shooting Master to allow shooters to replace their targets without excessive delays. If circumstances require, the Shooting Master may limit the shooters term on the stand to allow all shooters an opportunity to compete.

Rule No. 2. Ranking of the indoor season targets for purposes of scoring shall be first by the highest score for that target or match if more than one target is required. Following that, special rules apply.

One shot ring target:

Highest value shot closest to the center of the 25 ring.

The three or five shot ring target:

1. The highest number of 25's is ranked first.

$$1^{\text{st}} \quad 25-25-21 = 71$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \quad 25-24-22 = 71$$

2. The next ranking is by 25's by inverse order.

$$1^{\text{st}} \quad 24-25-25 = 74$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \quad 25-24-25 = 74$$

3. Then the next lower value shots by inverse order.

$$1^{\text{st}} \quad 22-24-25=71$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \quad 23-25=71$$

$$3^{\text{rd}} \quad 23-25-23=71$$

4. The closest shot to the white center dot, by inverse order will rank over those wider.

The three shot man target:

1. Is ranked by the highest number of heart shots, (that being one which touches the center dot), that is also a 20 in value.

2. The next ranking is the highest number of 20s.

3. The next ranking is the highest number of 20s by inverse order.

$$1^{\text{st}} \quad 19-20-20= 59$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \quad 20-19-20 = 59$$

$$3^{\text{rd}} \quad 20-20-19=59$$

4. Next ranking by the next lower value shots, by inverse order.

$$1^{\text{st}} \quad 18-19-20 = 57$$



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2nd 19-18-20 = 57

3rd 20-19-18=57

5. The closest shot to the white center dot, by inverse order will rank over those that are wider.

A tie which cannot be broken will be decided by the flip of a coin or by each firing a single shot on a one shot target and the highest score will be declared the winner. Competitors may question scores or ranking until the scoring and ranking is judged by the Shooting Master or his assistant or delegate to be final.

Rule No. 3. For normal monthly matches, unless otherwise designated by the Shooting Meister, registration for matches shall begin at approximately 1200. Firing shall begin as soon thereafter as the Shooting Meister deems appropriate. Entries close at 3:00 pm.

Part 4 -- Outdoor Bench/Offhand Range

Rule No. 1. No ammunition other than .22 caliber rimfire (RF) cartridges or center fire (CF) ammunition and having a muzzle velocity no greater than 1500 feet per second will be allowed to be discharged on the range grounds.

Rule No. 2. Depending on the Match Program and its Sponsoring Association, rules may vary as to allowed equipment such as shooting coats, rifle rests and course of fire.

Rule No. 3. The breaking of tie scores on the ring target will be based on the greatest number of 25's or higher point value hits. Multiple ties are to be broken by penalizing the widest shot.

A. The man target is scored as in the indoor rules.

B. A tie which cannot be broken will be decided by the flip of a coin or by firing a single shot on a one shot target and the highest score will be declared the winner.

Rule No. 4. For all offhand and/or rim fire bench rest matches, when a shot touches a line on the target, it shall be scored as a shot in the highest ring touched. For center fire (CF) Bench rest matches, the center of the shot must exceed the edge of the scoring ring to be scored the higher value.

Rule No. 5. Before leaving his firing point, the shooter shall check that his shots are correct with no apparent cross fires or extra shots; otherwise he shall not be permitted a claim for scoring errors or errant shots.

Rule No 6. A shooter is entitled to the allotted time indicated by the match program and/or range officer. He may then be asked to vacate to make room for the next shooter on an additional relay. The range officer will be the timekeeper.

Rule No. 7. No special supportive clothing or equipment may be used, unless permitted in other parts of these rules, the match program or the Shooting Master. If cold or other conditions require jackets, they shall be unbuttoned or unzipped while shooting.



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Rule No. 8. Outdoor shooting hours for CF will start at 8:00 am and end at sunset. Rim fire shall be from sunrise until sunset. Entries close at time indicated by match program.

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The monthly shooting program shall be in writing. Every member shall be mailed a copy (either hard copy or electronically) of the dates for the season's monthly shoots, which are normally held on the first Sunday or each month, but sometimes adjusted for holidays, etc.



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ATTACHMENT #2
DAVENPORT SCHUETZEN VEREIN
INDOOR SHOOTING PROGRAM

Monthly Rimfire Match

Participation in these events is open to Members of the club, their guests and visitors. Certain matches have Membership requirements.

Rifles and equipment are subject to certain limitations specified in the Shooting Rules.

Standard monthly matches have this course of fire:

- 5 shot ring target using best of 4 targets shot.
- 3 shot ring target using best of 4 targets shot.
- 1 shot ring target using best of 4 targets shot.
- 3 shot man target using best of 4 targets shot.

Other monthly matches:

- 1 shot red eagle German target (optional re-entry match).
- 3 shot ring on honor target (restricted to members only).

Added shoot in December:

- Turkey shoot match using all four 1 shot Targets from standard course of fire.

Special matches, on extra date of March or April:

- King shoot on special King, 1 shot target
- 50 shot ring target match

Awards will include cash prizes and medals or trophies See awards list for details.



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ATTACHMENT #3
DAVENPORT SCHUETZEN VEREIN
OUTDOOR SHOOTING PROGRAM

Monthly Rimfire Match (Enclosed Range)

Participation in these events is open to Members of the club, their guests and visitors. Certain matches have Membership requirements.

Rifles and equipment are subject to certain limitations specified in the shooting rules.

Standard monthly Rimfire matches have the following course of fire:

5 shot on the Schuetzen ring target using the best 5 shot string out of a possible four strings shot.

3 shot on the Schuetzen ring target using best 3 shot string out of a possible four strings shot.

1 shot on the Davenport ring target using best of 4 shots shot.

3 shot man on the Davenport ring target using best 3 shot string out of a possible four strings shot.

3 shot ring honor target on the Schuetzen ring target (restricted to Members only).

Added shoot in September:

Muhl trophy match 3 shots on the Schuetzen ring target, 1st shot for record, next two for tie breaking, (restricted to Members only).

Special match: outdoor king match, 1 shot. This is a luck Target with the scoring rings not visible at 200 yards. The Target is a game scene target which later becomes the award, (target restricted to Members only.)



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ATTACHMENT #4

DAVENPORT SCHUETZEN VEREIN

OUTDOOR SHOOTING PROGRAM

Bench Range

Participation in these events is open to Members of the club, their guests and visitors. Certain matches have Membership requirements.

Rifles and equipment are subject to certain limitations specified in the shooting rules and or match programs.

Standard monthly matches for this course of fire are as follows;

“Not Yet Developed/Established”



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ATTACHMENT #5

Awards and Prizes

All prizes can be won by any competitor (guest, applicant, nonvoting member or voting member) with the following exceptions:

The Junior Indoor Medal can only be won by a voting or nonvoting member and only once per person.

The Junior Outdoor Medal can only be won by a voting or nonvoting member and only once per person.

The indoor and outdoor, King matches can only be fired and won by voting or nonvoting members

The Muhl trophy can only be won by voting or nonvoting members.

The Turkey Shoot can only be won by voting or nonvoting members

The Honor match can only be fired and won by voting or nonvoting members.

The Senior Medal can only be won by voting or nonvoting members who have previously won the Junior medal.

The 50 shot match may be fired by anyone. The cash award will go to the highest shooter. The traveling trophy will be awarded to the highest club member.

Standard monthly matches (5, 3, and 1 shot ring and 3 shot man) have cash prizes. The pool of entry fees plus a cash added amount is returned to the shooters. Prizes are based on ranking by score; best score winning more than lowest. All shooters receive some award.

Honor target also is a cash award target (as above) and also is used to award special medals to competitors.

The indoor Junior and Senior Medals are awarded for highest total indoor season cumulative score on the Honor target. The Junior Medal must be won before the Senior Medal and can only be won once. To win the Junior Medal, at least five of the total indoor honor matches must be fired during one season.

The indoor Senior Medal is awarded for the top cumulative score for shooters who have already won the Junior Medal. There is no limit on the number of times it can be won.

The outdoor Junior and Senior medals are awarded for the highest total outdoor season cumulative score on the Honor target. The Junior medal must be won before the Senior medal, and can only be won once. To win the Junior medal at least five of the total outdoor matches must be fired during one season.

The outdoor Senior medal is awarded for the top cumulative score for those shooters who have already won the Junior medal. There is no limit on the number of times that it can be won.



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King match is a multiple award match. Winners of the indoor King match (not outdoor) have the privilege and the responsibility of adding a pendant on the historic, original, and traditional king's necklace. Their name is engraved on a traveling trophy, they receive a cash award and have the honor of hosting a king's luncheon held at the next annual king shoot. Part of the cash prize is intended to defray the cost of this. The King award can be won as often as you are able to win!

The outdoor King award has two parts: the framed wildlife print on which the match was fired is part of the award, and the winner's name is engraved on a traveling outdoor King trophy.

50 shot match has a cash prize. The highest three scoring and club members will receive engraved mugs. A traveling trophy is awarded to the highest scoring club member.

Optional matches: red eagle matches and iron sight matches are optional matches with all or part of the entry fees returned as prizes. Other optional matches may be devised from time to time.

Note: cash amounts and awards are subject to change. Traveling trophies are the property of the DSA, but the winners have possession of the award until the following awards banquet. Whenever possible, the winner's name is engraved on the medal or award.

Turkey Shoot Rules And Prizes

Special rules apply to the Turkey Shoot match. While the number of turkeys available as prizes may vary, they are awarded as follows: Each shooter shall keep and have scored and totaled all of his one shot targets. They are then ranked from highest to lowest total score. Ties are broken so that there is one first place winner. The remainders are divided into groups as even in number of shooters as is practical, the total groups equaling the number of remaining turkeys. The top score in each group shall then win the turkey. Ties shall be broken by highest number of 25's first, followed by 24's, 23's, etc. If a tie still exists the best 25 (closest to center) shall break the tie.

