

Membership Renewal FAQs

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Every Club Senior member, Oldtime member, and Life member will be receiving a membership renewal statement this month. All memberships expire June 30, and if a renewal statement is not returned with the appropriate payment, your gate card will be deactivated after the Annual Meeting of the Members on July 3rd. Club membership is at an all-time high, but this last year 77 Senior Members, six Oldtime members, and one Life member lost membership in the Club because they did not renew.

I will try to address some of the questions that come up related to renewals, ahead of time. If you have an issue with your renewal that is not addressed here, please email us at info@douglasridge.org, or call the Club, and leave a detailed message including your membership number.

Q. What are the annual dues this year?

A. Annual dues are unchanged for 2014/15, at \$150 for Senior members and \$50 for Oldtime members. There are also no changes in the dues for regular and family associates and for junior members.

Q. Why did I not get a renewal statement?

A. Statements will be mailed before the end of May, after all of the work hours for last year are accounted for. If you do not receive one, please be sure the Club has your correct mailing address. After June 1, give us your updated address info, and request that a renewal statement be re-sent.

Q. Can I just send in a check? I lost my statement.

A. We want every member to return their renewal statement (or a copy), and include their payment. It greatly helps us in processing the renewals, ensuring the NRA membership is current, and getting



the gate access card updated. It also lets us know you are still alive, and still an active member. We can email a copy of your statement if necessary. Contact us for help.

Q. Can I pay over the phone, or on-line?

A. Sorry, no. We cannot accept credit or debit card payments, or PayPal payments. Payments need to be by check, money order, or cash.

Q. Do I need to mail my payment and statement?

A. No, you can drop off your renewal at the Club. Use the lock box in the Clubhouse on the wall next to the office door.

Q. Can I make a partial payment?

A. No. All renewals must be paid in full. Partial payments will be held unprocessed until full payment is received.

Q. When should I pay?

A. As soon as practical for you. Each renewal must be processed manually, and each gate access card activation must be extended for another year. With over 1,300 members, this is a time consuming effort. If too many renewals come in at the last minute, there is a chance we won't get them all processed in time. Help your volunteer membership workers, and get your renewal in early. Thank you.

Q. How do I correct my personal information in the header?

A. Any incorrect information on your statement, such as name spellings, phone number, or email address, should be crossed out, and the correct information should be printed on the statement.

Q. Why isn't my NRA number, or NRA expiration date on the statement?

A. The NRA does not automatically provide the Club with your NRA information. Please attach a NRA magazine address label, or a copy of your NRA membership card, showing your NRA information.

Q. Why was I charged \$35 for NRA Dues?

A. The Club maintains an NRA expiration date for all Annual NRA members. If our records indicate your NRA membership expires before June 30, 2014, we automatically include an NRA Dues Assessment on your statement. If you already renewed your NRA membership, cross off the \$35 charge on the statement and adjust your Total Due amount. Return a NRA magazine address label, or a copy of your NRA membership card, showing your updated NRA expiration date, with your renewal. If you have not yet renewed your NRA membership, you can pay the \$35 fee, and the Club will renew your NRA membership for one year, or you can renew directly with the NRA for one or more years. Please provide proof of your NRA renewal, such as an acknowledgement email.

Q. I did not pay the NRA Dues Assessment, and I did not update my NRA information. What will happen to my membership?

A. Several members have done this in the past. We will not process your renewal statement; we will hold your check and your renewal until we obtain either the updated NRA expiration date or the additional payment. Your gate card will be deactivated, and you will not have access to the Club until the issue is

resolved.

Q. I turn 65 this year. When do I get Oldtime status?

A. Members achieve Oldtime status, and reduced dues, after they turn 65 years of age and after 8 continuous years of membership. If you turn 65 before July 1, 2014, and compete 8 years of membership before July 1, you should be an Oldtime member. We review the records prior to billing to identify Oldtime candidates, but we may overlook someone. Let us know, and we'll confirm it, and send an updated statement. Some long-time members do not have birth dates in our system, only birth years, making it harder to identify eligibility. If your birthday is in July, or later, you'll have to wait until next year. If you dropped membership, and rejoined less than 8 years ago, you'll have to wait until 8 continuous years are complete.

Q. How do I get Life membership status in the Club?

A. You can't get it. You have to earn it. It is given out only by vote of the members, to recognize many years of exceptional dedication to the Club.

Q. I got billed \$150 for a Work Assessment Fee. Why?

A. All Senior members are required to contribute a minimum of 8 hours work for the Club, or pay the Work Assessment Fee. If we do not have 8 or more hours recorded by you and your associate and junior members, we add the \$150 fee to your renewal. The work hours must be completed by the end of the Annual Work Day on April 19th. There is no carryover of work hours from previous years.

Q. I am sure I worked 8 hours, but it is not recorded on the statement. What should I do?

A. We have all the work slips that were turned in. Hopefully, you have some note or record of your work. We can look for a slip to see if there was a recording error. If you

worked Hunter Sight-in, contact the director, Mark Edwards. He has participation records for those events. If you worked gun shows, contact Dan Day for help. If there is no work slip and no record of you working, you may be out of luck.

Q. I am a new member. Why did I get billed the Work Assessment Fee?

A. If you joined after July 1, 2013, and you get billed the Work Assessment Fee, we made a processing mistake. Work hours are not required in the initial partial year of membership. Circle the Years a Member: XX information, cross out the Work Assessment Fee, and adjust the Total Due.

Q. I was unable to complete my work hours, due to extenuating circumstances. What can I do?

A. You can appeal for relief to the Board of Directors, in person or in writing.

Q. How do I add or delete an Associate or Junior member?

A. To delete an Associate or Junior member from your membership, cross off the person's name and the amount billed, and adjust the Total Due amount on the renewal statement. To add a spouse/significant other as your Associate member, write in their first and last names, and add \$10 to the Total Due amount on the statement. We will mail a membership badge for them. To add a Family Associate, write in their first and last names, and add \$80. They will need to attend a new member orientation class to get their badge and gate access card. Any youth less than 18 as of June 30, 2014, can be added as a Junior member. Write in their first and last names, their date of birth, and add \$5 per Junior member. If you have a Family Associate member, no additional

"They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety." Benjamin Franklin, Historical Review of Pennsylvania, 1795

General Meetings

2014: 06/05, 07/03, 08/07, 09/04, 10/02

Board Meetings

2014: 06/26, 07/31, 08/28, 09/25, 10/30

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 8:00 am - 8:00 pm Long Range Day 8am 1pm (800yd/1000yd) 1pm 8pm (300yd/600yd) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm General Meeting (CH/Ind)	2	3 9:00 am - 10:00 am Orientation Setup (CH/Ind) 9:00 am - 4:00 pm USPSA (Silh/TSB/DR) 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Orientation (CH/Ind)
Calendar Codes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trap Trap Range • TH Trap House • SC Sporting Clays Range • LE Law Enforcement (training) • NRA . . . NRA Classes • TSB Tactical Shotgun Bay 		Calendar Codes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CH/Ind Clubhouse & Indoor Range • Arch Archery Range • 100/200 100/200 Yard Range • Silh Silhouette Range • LR Long Range 				
4 10:00 am - 1:30 pm Trap At Sandy Gun Club	5 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm Boy Scouts Crew 376 (CH/Ind)	6 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	7 8:00 am - 9:00 am Portland Sert Team (Ch/Ind) 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Portland Sert Team Long range (800 yards) 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ladies Night (Silh/TSB)	8 8:00 am - 8:30 pm Long Range Day 8am 1pm (300yd/600yd) 1pm 8:30pm (800yd/1000) 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Open House Planning Meeting (CH/Ind)	9 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm Service Rifle Training Class (Ch/Ind)	10 8:00 am - 9:00 am Service Rifle Check In (Ch/Ind) 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Black Powder Muzzle Loader (Silh/TSB) 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Service Rifle Match (100/200yd) 500agg
11 Mother's Day	12	13 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Black Powder Cartridge (300yd-800yd) 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	14	15 8:00 am - 8:30 pm Long Range Day 8am 1pm (800yd/1000yd) 1pm 8:30pm (300yd/600yd)	16	17 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Range safety Officer Class (Ch/Ind)
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25 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 3 Gun (Silh/TSB/DR)	26 Memorial Day	27 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	28	29 Ascension Day 8:00 am - 8:30 pm Long Range Day 8am 1pm (800yd/1000yd) 1pm 8:30pm (300yd/600yd) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Board Meeting (CH/Ind)	30	31

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fees are required for Junior members.

Q. Can my Family Associate convert to regular Associate?

A. Yes, note the change on the statement and adjust the dues from \$75 to \$10. Their gate card will be deactivated. It can be turned in for the \$5 deposit fee you paid.

Q. Can my Associate convert to Family Associate?

A. Yes, note that change, and adjust the dues from \$10 to \$80. If they have already attended a recent orientation per our records, we can send the gate access card. Otherwise, they will need to attend a new member orientation class to pick up their gate access card.

Q. My Junior member is not on the statement. Why?

A. We purge Junior members who turned 18 before July 1, 2014, according to the birth date we have in our records. If there was an error, please contact us. Junior

members may convert to a Senior membership with waiver of the initiation fee. Contact us for more information about this.

Q. I can't pay now. Can I pay later?

A. Yes. After the Annual Meeting on July 3rd, the gate access cards of unpaid members will be deactivated. Sometime near the end of July, a 2nd Notice billing will be mailed. A \$10 Late Fee will be added to the 2nd Notice. You can pay your dues any time during the 2014/15 Club year, but they will not be pro-rated for any time that you were not able to access the Club. After receipt of your renewal payment, your gate access card will be reactivated.

Q. What happens if I don't renew during the Club year? Can I renew next year?

A. No. At the end of the Club year, all non-renewed members are changed to Inactive status. They

are no longer members. To gain access to the Club again, they must apply to Rejoin the Club. If approved, the Initiation Fee is reduced, but other One-time costs must be paid again. Inactive Oldtime members who rejoin revert to Senior status, and have the Senior member dues and work hours obligations again. Attendance at a New Member Orientation class may be required.

Q. Is there an appeals process for any of these issues?

A. Yes, appeals for waivers or other adjustments can be made to the Board of Directors, in person or in writing. Decisions of the Board are final.

“What country can preserve its liberties if its rulers are not warned from time to time that their people preserve the spirit of resistance?”

Thomas Jefferson