



ONEIDA RIFLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Club Officers for 2008

The Annual Meeting of the Oneida Rifle Club was held on Monday, October 8th after the regular monthly meeting. Election of Club Officers for 2008 took place at that time. The following individuals were elected:

- President Tim Crofton
- Vice-President Chris Grabow
- Secretary Mike Smith
- Treasurer Ed Trombley, Jr.
- Executive Officer Reuben Best
- Chief Instructor Mike Smith
- Board of Directors (3 years) Chuck Loveless
Adam Teil

Congratulations to the new officers and retiring officers. Retiring from the Board of Directors are John Isabelle and George Thayer. Especially noteworthy is the service rendered by Dave Klish who has served as President for many years. The Board of Directors recommended and the membership approved the granting of Distinguished Lifetime Member status to Dave for his service to the club. A sincere thank you to Dave, John, and George from the membership for your willingness to serve and lead our organization.

By recommendation of the Board of Directors, the dues structure will remain unchanged for the upcoming year. Regular Membership is \$50 and Senior Membership is \$12.50. To qualify for Senior Membership, one needs to be 70 years old and have been a paying member of the club for 15 years.

Your dues for the year 2008 are now due. No other reminders will be sent out to members. Consider this newsletter to be your official notification.

Dues are to be paid prior to January 1 of the new year so you can get your combination to the door. Please make Ed Trombley, our treasurer's, job easier by being prompt with your payment.

Newsletters by Email

The Oneida Rifle Club has been sending out its newsletter by post for a long time. It is a much needed tool used to share important information with its approximately 200 members. Printing and postage costs have risen dramatically over the last few years, and so we're looking for a more effective way of communicating with members.

Starting with the January 2008 newsletter, we will be giving members the option to receive their newsletter electronically instead of by mail. Even if only one half of our 200 members elected to do this, it would save the club nearly \$500 per year, money which could be used for other endeavors.

Getting the newsletter this way is open only to ORC members. Names and email addresses will not be shared or given to anyone else. If you wish to receive your newsletter by email rather than a paper copy in the mail, you will need to register your email address just once. The newsletter will then be sent automatically to this email address.

Procedure: Log in to the ORC website (www.oneidarifleclub.com). On the opening page enter your email address in the appropriate box & follow directions. In a while you will receive a confirmation request at the email address which you submitted. (This is to prevent anyone else from submitting your name.) Reply as directed. The Newsletter administrator (Jim Pawlika) will then be able to accept your name onto the list. You will be notified that your name has been approved. **DONE... Easy...**

If necessary, the January 2008 newsletter will still be sent in paper format to all members. It will also be sent electronically to those who request it. This will give us a chance to test out the new system. Subsequent newsletters will be sent in the format (paper or email) as requested by each member.

A Letter from Your Past President

I have gotten several good comments about my presidency. I had a good time, but without a whole long list of top-notch members doing the work, nothing would have been accomplished. A long time ago I learned that for any leader to be good, all they had to do was to surround themselves with top-notch help; and I was blessed abundantly.

We now have a new president, Tim Crofton. I think that Tim is the perfect man to fill this position; in fact, he was the first choice I suggested when the Board of Directors asked for some suggestions of whom to ask. I ask that everyone give Tim the same help and cooperation that I was given in my eight years as president of this fine club. We can now move forward with renewed vigor and fresh ideas.

Over these eight years, our club has achieved many advancements. However, I have left many things on the table which still need to be completed. The biggest task in need of completion is the berm project. We got off to a good start, but found the project to be too pricey the way which we had planned. We now need new ideas on how to continue and complete this project on a more modest budget. A few suggestions have been made, but no real computation of costs has yet been done. A couple ideas now being considered are the construction of a wooden double PT fence with sand fill and another option is a double fence of heavier wood with no earth or sand fill. A few other ideas for construction and fund raising have also been suggested by various members. As a safe and conscientious club, we should try to get this accomplished for obvious reasons. I urge all members to help come up with a good way to raise the backstop - and if needed, to lend a hand if asked for our good and the good of the community as a whole.

Finally, I want to thank those who proposed my name in for Distinguished Lifetime Member. This is an recognition that truly surprised me, and I feel extremely honored. Thank you.

*Dave Klish,
Past President*

A Letter from Your New President

I am very happy to have the opportunity to volunteer some of my time and talent as this year's president for the Oneida Rifle Club. The club has enjoyed a boost in membership over recent years, due to the wonderful facilities, variety of sporting events for shooters of all ages, and the dedication of many club members. I would especially like to thank Dave Klish for his dedication and commitment as past president.

I encourage all members to take advantage of the leagues, events and educational programs that are often held at the club. In order to find out about upcoming events via email, you will be able to register for the newsletter online. You can register by going to the club website: oneidarifleclub.com. Please mark your calendars to attend our monthly meetings held on the second Monday of each month; the next meeting will be at the club at 7:30pm on November 12.

Tim Crofton, President

Summer Trap Results

• 32 Shooters Participated in the 2007 Season (approx: 60/40 member & guest)

• May through October - Shot every Sunday

Trap Singles* - Results calculated on best 10

1st-----	Reg Sanborn	-----	24.4
2nd -----	Wally Johnson	-----	23.9
3rd -----	Jim Pawlika	-----	23.6
4th -----	Mike Tianello Sr.	-----	23.3
5th -----	Ron Bennett	-----	23.2
6th -----	John MacKenzie	----	23.0
7th -----	Steve Catello	-----	22.5
8th -----	Chuck Loveless	----	22.4
9th -----	Mike Tainello Jr.	----	21.7
10th-----	Wayne Clark	-----	19.7

*partial listing of all participants & winners

Wobble Trap - Results calculated on best 10

1st-----	Jim Pawlika	-----	24.5
2nd -----	Wally Johnson	-----	24.1
3rd -----	Steve Catello	-----	22.9
4th -----	John MacKenzie	----	22.0

Perfect Scores of 25 were turned in by:

Ron Bennett, Wally Johnson, Chuck Loveless, Jim Pawlika, Bob Preston, Reg Sanborn.

Submitted by: Jim Pawlika, League Chairman

Winter Leagues 2007 - 2008

Defensive Pistol League

The Defensive Pistol League will be held again this year with League Directors Lee Whyte and Ron Mandronico heading the program. As in past years, shooting will be held on Wednesdays starting January 2nd and running through the end of April. You can shoot in the evening any time between 6:30 pm and 9:30 pm.

To compete, you need a 9mm or .38 cal. (or larger) handgun and a holster. There are various classes to shoot: (Concealed Revolver, Concealed Auto., I.P.S.C. Limited Auto, I.P.S.C. Limited Revolver, and I.P.S.C. Unlimited). Targets are from 10-40 feet from shooters. The scores are calculated by taking accuracy and time into consideration.

This year the format will remain essentially the same as the matches last year. Lots of fun and challenge! Come down to watch or give it a try. Call League Director Lee Whyte at 495-2071 or Ron Mandronico at 733-8575.

.22 Sporterifle League

The Sporterifle League of the Oneida Rifle Club, Inc., will start its 2008 season on Sunday afternoon and evenings on January 6th, at the club range. Shooting is open to all club members and guests and will run Sundays through March.

As in previous years, any .22 rifle is permitted, bypassing the official weight limit of 7½ pounds. Either iron sights or scopes are permitted, with a class for each.

Shooting is done standing - men shooting with rifle-supporting arm not touching the body. Women and junior shooters (up to 20) may rest the rifle-supporting arm against the body.

A match consists of 30 rounds and most people fire two matches a night. Registration - the first night the person participates - is \$3.00 for club members and \$5.00 for guests, plus \$1.00 per match. Subsequent nights are only \$1.00 per match fired. League Director duties are being shared by Dave DeFrees (363-5703) and Ed Oakes (363-7367).

Winter Bullseye League

Welcome pistol shooters. Once again, I am running the Winter Indoor Pistol League. So get the dust off the guns along with .22 cal. ammo. We had a great season last fall and winter. This year the league will begin on November 27th at 7 PM. All shooting takes place at the range on Randall Road.

Bring a friend along with you - share the enjoyment of target shooting with a friend. Get off the couch and come on over. If you need help getting started, expert advice and coaching is available. Remember, it's only \$5 for registration cost for non-members and \$3 for members. Each match then costs only \$1.

You can call Mike Grass at 363-0405 with inquiries about the league. (Leave a message.)

Michael T. Grass, League Director

Action Pistol League

As of right now I'll be able to run the AP league again this year. We'll do 12 + weeks again, but I may change up the events a little bit (to make it even more fun).

The league will be running from January 5 until (approx) April 5, 2008 - Sunday mornings.

There will be categories for Open, Metallic Sight, and Rimfire Handguns.

League Fee - \$20.00

League Fee for ORC Members - \$15.00

\$5.00 Weekly fee available for people not participating in the league.

Daily Fee of \$1.00 for each course of fire.

Contact: Ken Macari (315)841-8518

Pistol Permit Class

In the near future, a Pistol Permit Class for will be conducted at the club. This course may be used In Oneida and Madison Counties to begin the application process. Instructors: Mike Smith, Jon Pawlika, and Jim Pawlika, NRA Certified Pistol Instructors.

Inquiries: Call Jim Pawlika at 363-4235 (jpawlika@twcny.rr.com).

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Puma Model 92, .44 mag., 24 in. oct. bl., new, \$420
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209 x 50 cal. \$575
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Smith & Wesson Sigma, .40 S&W or 9mm, on sale \$340
Taurus PT-22, 22LR, matte nickel finish, new, \$190
SEDCO Industries, SP-22, semi-auto, .22 LR, \$40
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NIB, \$289
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