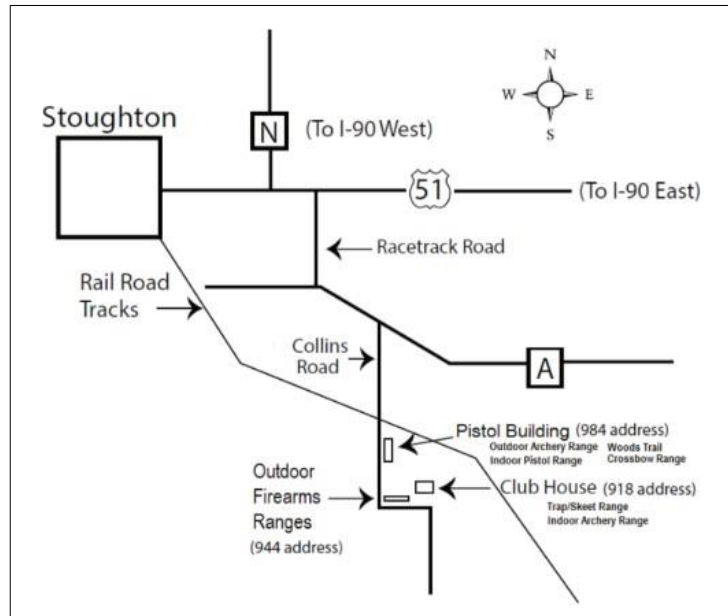


Stoughton Conservation Club New Member Orientation



Stoughton Conservation Club



Why Orientation??

- In recent years 3 ranges closed in Wisconsin due to the negligence of a member that was not following basic firearm safety.
- Those ranges will NEVER open again. We want to be proactive to ensure that our range will not close.
- Always follow the basic rules of firearm safety. If you see others not following the rules, politely remind them, so everyone will have a safe and enjoyable experience.

Introduction

- Rules apply to activities on SCC grounds. Additional rules may apply to specific events. In no case do these rules supersede local, state or federal laws.
- Always check the SCC web site at: www.stoughtoncc.com for the club calendar, events and recent news.
- SCC is a private club operated 100 % by volunteer members.
- This is our club, please treat as your own.
- Don't be afraid to ask questions.

Top 3 Violations at SCC

- Shooting before or after hours
 - Each range has separate hours depending on the time of year and day of the week. **Always double check shooting hours.**
- Rapid Fire
 - Zero tolerance: No rapid fire at rifle and pistol range. There must be 2 full seconds between any 2 shots. No fully automatic firearms.
 - **The only exception for rapid fire is during sanctioned league nights and sanctioned practice nights.**
- Shooting in front of benches at rifle range
 - We have a 25, 50, and 100 yard range.
 - **No shooting in front of the benches or moving your target closer to the benches. Keep your targets at the back stop.**

Membership

- Membership is open to adults 18 and over.
- Membership is for 1 calendar year.
 - Next years payment is due by the 1st of the month that you joined.
 - Renewal notices are not sent out, past due notices are sent. Please mark your calendar for your renewal date.
- Members need an access 'key' card to gain entrance to the SCC facilities.
- To use any facilities, the member of record must be present.

Membership Sign-Up Options -

1. Online orientation- Mail in application and dues to P.O. Box 366, Stoughton, WI 53589
2. Online orientation, pay in person - 2nd Monday of the month - 6pm, sharp!!!
3. In person orientation - 2nd Monday of the month - 6pm, sharp!!!

Membership

- SCC is a family membership, when an adult joins: spouse and minor children (under 18) living in the household are considered members.
 - Spouse is defined as the person you are married to.
 - Live in girlfriend/boyfriend DOES NOT qualify.
 - A spouse may obtain their own access card for \$10 if they have completed orientation.
 - Children over 18 will need their own membership.
- Carry your membership ID card when on SCC grounds.
- Any member can ask another member for proof of their membership (Do not get mad at another member if you are asked to leave because YOU forgot to bring your ID card).
- NO TRESPASSING - If you don't have a membership card on you or aren't accompanying a member as a guest, you are trespassing.
- Absolutely NO hunting is allowed on the SCC property.

Membership

- Each member is entitled and encouraged to volunteer to help, participate in club activities and vote for directors.
- General membership meetings are held at the main clubhouse at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Monday of each month.
 - 6:00pm, prior to each meeting - New member, in person orientation
 - 6:00pm-6:30pm - Questions/answers, open house
- Board of Directors Meeting held the last Monday of the month at 7:00pm
- Members are responsible to clean up after themselves. This includes all trash and debris including spent shells, cases, targets, food or drink.
 - The facilities should be left in as good or better condition than when you arrived.

Guest Policy

- Members are allowed to bring guests to the club.
- Members are limited to one guest on club grounds at a time.
- Each guest is limited to 3 visits per calendar year.
- Guests sponsored by you are your responsibility, they must be signed in and accompanied by you at all times.
- Guests may use the ranges by paying a \$10 fee for a one day guest pass.
- The guest fee is waived for a guest visiting the grounds as a prospective member but not using the ranges.
- Members are responsible for their children & guests.

General Information

- Please be a responsible club member and clean up after yourself

****Feel free to use the kitchen, make sure to leave in same or better condition**

- Broom and dustpan located by main door at each clubhouse

- Please take out trash when near full, garbage bags located behind bar at each clubhouse

- Trash dumpsters located in parking lot of each clubhouse

- Recyclable dumpster located at the main clubhouse only

****Do not put plastic bags in the recyclable container**

****No shell casings in the recyclable dumpster**

****Cardboard boxes must be broken down or flattened**

General Facility Rules

- Club rules apply to everyone!
- Report any equipment, security or safety issues immediately to a board member. Names & phone numbers are posted on bulletin boards in each building.
- Respect the 45 minute rule at all ranges.
 - This is an honor system to provide each member equal access to the club facilities.

Fundamental Firearm Rules

- Dangerous behavior or horseplay will not be tolerated and will be grounds for expulsion from the SCC.
- Hearing and eye protection is required for everyone at all of the firearm ranges.
 - Verify others around you are wearing their personal protection before you begin firing.
- Members are responsible for knowing how to handle their firearm(s) safely.
- Ignorance of the law and club rules is not a defense.

Safety Equipment

AED In each Building

- Pistol Range
- Main Club House

First Aid Kits

- Located behind the bar at both clubhouses



Fundamental Firearm Rules

- Consumption of alcohol or any type of intoxicating substance is not permitted before or during use of firearms. There will be no intoxicants of any kind on any firing line.
 - Firearm shooters who have been drinking or who another member feels may be impaired will not be allowed on the firing line.
 - Any member may ask these people to leave and should ask other members for assistance if the violators refuse. As a last resort, members should involve the authorities.

Fundamental Firearm Rules

- All shooters must fire from a common shooting line.
- Any person may call a cease fire. Shooting shall stop immediately and not resume until the reason for the cease fire has been fully remedied.
- No one may move forward of the firing line without calling a cease fire and checking to ensure that all firearms are unloaded, detachable magazines out and actions open. Firearms cannot be handled whenever anyone is forward of the firing line.
- If a firearm cannot be cleared of a live round, the shooter must:
 - Keep the firearm pointed down range
 - Call a 'cease fire' and shut down the range
 - If the shooter cannot clear the firearm within 15 minutes, the firearm should be cased and removed, keeping the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.
 - Reopen the range

Fundamental Firearm Rules

- Holsters are not allowed anywhere on SCC property
- All hand guns must be cased until reaching the range firing line
 - Treat every firearm as if it were loaded
 - Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction
 - Be sure of your target, what is in front of it and beyond it
 - Keep the firearm unloaded, action open or in a case until reaching a firing line
 - Only load the firearm at the bench or firing line when ready to shoot
 - Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot
- In case of any type of accident:
 - Call 911
 - Render assistance if you are trained and able
 - Have someone guide emergency responders to the scene from the street
 - Cooperate fully with authorities
 - Do not speculate as to the cause
 - Notify a board member of the incident as soon as possible
 - Make no statements to the press, media or make social media posts

Shooting Hours

SHOOTING HOUR VIOLATIONS!

- **SHOOTING BEFORE OR AFTER POSTED SHOOTING HOURS IS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY, WITH AT MINIMUM A 6 MONTH SUSPENSION.**
- **EVEN THOUGH WE SET THESE HOURS, WE MUST OBEY THEM.**
 - **Shooting during non-shooting hours violates our property conditional-use permit.**

SCC Shooting Hours

- **All outdoor firearm ranges (trap/skeet/rifle)**
 - **Monday thru Friday – 8am to sunset**
 - **Saturdays – 8am to 5pm (Or sunset if earlier)**
 - **Sundays – 8am – 3pm**
- **Indoor Pistol Range**
 - **Monday – Sunday - 8am – 9:30 pm**
- **Indoor Archery - 24/7**
- **Outdoor Archery - Sunrise to sunset**
- **Unless otherwise noted and special events**
 - **(i.e. hunter education; sight-in clinic)**

General Range Rules

- These rules apply to all activity on all ranges. In addition, the discipline (type of shooting) and range-specific rules follow this section. Because our ranges are multi-purpose, specific rules apply on any range where a discipline is being practiced.
- At special events there may be some variation from these procedures where event rules and customs dictate. Appropriate safety supervision is the responsibility of match/event officials.
- Questions, please ask or email sccmembership@stoughtoncc.com

General Range Rules

- All local, state, and federal laws concerning the possession, use and handling of firearms must be strictly obeyed. It is the shooters' responsibility to know the law.
- **It is the shooters' responsibility to know the Club rules**
- Fully automatic weapons are prohibited
- .50 BMG weapons are prohibited.
- Cannons and any type of explosive targets & devices are prohibited

General Range Rules

- Tracer, armor-piercing or incendiary bullets are prohibited
- All uncased firearms must be unloaded, actions open and magazines out except when they are on the firing line being fired
- All firearms on the firing line shall be pointed downrange into the impact area at all times
- No loaded firearm will be laid down, rested or leaned against a shooting bench or in any other way left unattended at any time

General Range Rules

- When present, the Range Officer, Trap Linesman or Scorer is the final authority and must be obeyed at all times
- **No firearms may be handled while anyone is forward of the firing line**
- **Eye and ear must be worn at all ranges**
- All shooting, including blanks, must be done only into approved impact areas or fields of fire using approved targets

General Range Rules

- **Cease Fire**

- Any person on the line may call for a cease fire. Firing shall immediately stop and not resume until the reason for the cease fire has been remedied.
- If there are any uncased firearms on a firing line, no one may move forward of the firing line without calling for a “cease fire” and checking that all firearms are unloaded, with the magazine out and action open.

General Range Rules

- All shooters MUST shoot from a common firing line
- Handguns in holsters or holsters alone may not be worn at any time
- Spectators must remain behind the shooters at all times during range operations
- Pick up your brass and hulls, used targets and target fragments. Leave the range in better condition than when you arrived

Fundamental Gun Safety Rules

1. TREAT EVERY GUN AS IF IT WERE LOADED

2. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction

3. Keep the gun unloaded and the action open until ready to use

4. Be sure of your target, what is in front and beyond (backstop)

5. Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot

6. Know how to use your gun safely

7. Use only the correct ammunition for your gun

8. Never let your muzzle cross anything you are not willing to destroy

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 - **Monday thru Friday – 8am to sunset**
 - **Saturdays – 8am to 5pm (Or sunset if earlier)**
 - **Sundays – 8am – 3pm**
- **NO SHOOTING BEFORE OR AFTER POSTED HOURS**

Outdoor Firearm Ranges -25, 50 &100 yard



Outdoor Range Rules

- You must gain access with your own access card
- NEVER let anyone else use your access card!
- The gate must be kept locked at all times except during entry and exit
 - See membership ID card for lock combination
- All shooting must be done from benches inside the shelters (Standing next to the bench is allowed)
- Keep firearms pointed down range at all times
- Actions must be open when not shooting
- Paper/cardboard targets ONLY
- Targets must be placed inside the backstop huts
- Pick up empty cases and remove used targets

Outdoor Range Rules

- Keep building doors closed at all times when shooting
 - OK to open doors to allow ventilation between shots of black powder firearms
- No Rapid Fire (less than 2 seconds between shots)
- All shooting is to be done from the firing line, NOT forward of the benches
- Make sure door and gate are locked when leaving
- No firearms using ammunition that will produce more than 10,000 ft·lbf. (foot-pound force) at the muzzle (e.g. 50 BMG produces 13,791 ft·lbf).
- No equipment classified as AOW (any other weapon) or DD (destructive devices) by the National Firearm Act

Outdoor Range



Outdoor Range

Sunset times

*Not hunting hours

- Monday thru Friday – 8am to sunset
- Saturdays – 8am to 5pm (Or sunset if earlier)
- Sundays – 8am – 3pm

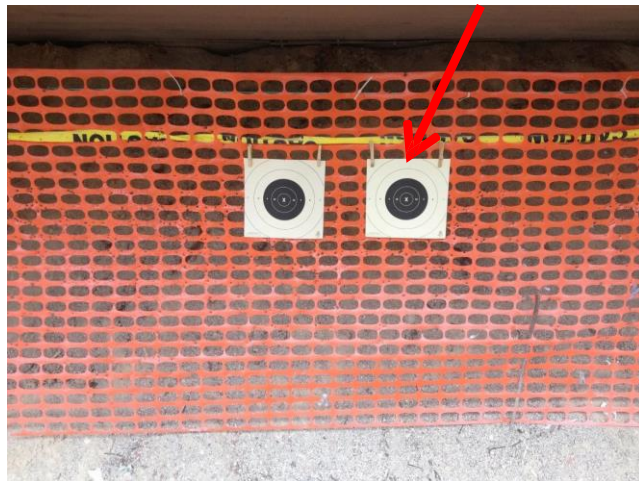


Card Reader and dues box

Outdoor Range Backstop



**Hang Targets Below the Yellow
Tape (support wire)**



Outdoor Range Firing Line



Outdoor Range – Down Range View



Skeet and Trap Ranges



Skeet and Trap Range Rules

- Shells must be loaded with 7-1/2 or smaller shot
- Hand-throwing may be done only on Field #4
- All members are responsible for monitoring safety
- Skeet and Trap Leagues are only for members of SCC
 - Public is welcome to Sunday morning open shooting - check SCC calendar
- One 'round' is 25 targets
- Shotgun muzzle must be pointed downrange or up at all times
- Break open firearms may be pointed down
- Gun action must remain open until its your turn to shoot
- Turkey patterning is done at 25 yard rifle range
- Be sure nobody is in the trap house or skeet house before shooting
- Place an orange cone on the trap house when reloading
 - If you see an orange cone, do not load your gun!

Skeet and Trap Range Rules

- Only load when standing in the designated shooting station
- All firearms must be unloaded and actions open when moving between stations
- Trap: Load only 1 for Singles, 2 for Doubles
- Skeet: Load 2 for each station, 1 in station 8
- When using a “release trigger”: let everyone know
- Everyone shoots from the same distance
- Spectators must stay behind the shooter
- Cross-firing between ranges is not permitted
- If there is a delay, open action and remove shell
- Only shotguns may be fired on the Trap and Skeet ranges
- Lead and non-toxic shot may be used
- Maximum load: 1-1/8oz of # 7-1/2 to #9
- Slugs are not permitted (Go to the rifle range)

Skeet and Trap Range Rules

- Only use clay targets
- No shooting from in/on the Trap or Skeet houses
- NEVER go in front of the machines when they are on
- Trap: max 5 shooters
- Skeet: Max 6 shooters
- Guns inside the club house, actions open at all times
- When done shooting, help clean up
- All shooters must pick up their empty hulls (shells)
- Separate shell casing containers located around range

****When shell casing containers are full, empty in the trash dumpster, NOT the recyclable dumpster**

Trap #4 – East end of parking area

- Only field to be used for hand throwing
- Only field to be used for patterning board



Skeet & Trap

Skeet high house



Skeet and Trap

Trap house

Skeet low house



Sporting Clays

- Sporting Clays are generally held on the 3rd Saturday of May, June, July, and August, check the SCC calendar
- Shooting times – 9am – 3pm
- Sporting clays events are open to the public

The sporting clays committee can always use help

- Setting up the course Friday afternoon
- Operating the course and clean up Saturdays from 8am-5pm
- If interested, reach out to Merlin Kotajarvi, merlinkotajarvi@gmail.com

Indoor Pistol Range

- **Hours**
- **Monday – Sunday - 8am – 9:30 pm**
 - Except for posted changes, check website
- **THERE IS A NO TOLERANCE POLICY REGARDING SHOOTING HOUR VIOLATIONS!**
 - **SHOOTING BEFORE OR AFTER POSTED SHOOTING HOURS IS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY, WITH AT MINIMUM A 6 MONTH SUSPENSION.**
- **EVEN THOUGH WE SET THESE HOURS, WE MUST OBEY THEM. SHOOTING DURING NON-SHOOTING HOURS VIOLATES OUR CONDITIONAL-USE PERMIT.**
- **Range closed - Every 3rd Monday at 7pm for cleaning, always seeking cleaning volunteers. Interested? Contact Merlin Kotajarvi - merlinkotajarvi@gmail.com**

The Following are NOT allowed at the indoor Pistol Range

- No shot loads or shotgun slugs of any caliber (i.e. 22 LR shot cartridges)
- No Full magnum loads
- No loads with over 600 ft.-lbs. of energy (i.e. 10mm, .454 Casull, .460 S&W/Ruger, .480 Ruger, .500 S&W Mag., & other wildcat or proprietary calibers)
- No rifle calibers or .410 slugs in handguns (i.e. 17HMR, 30-30)
- No long guns other than air/pellet guns, BB guns and non-magnum .22 caliber rimfire rifles are allowed
- Questions/Clarifications - ask or email sccmembership@stoughtoncc.com

Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- Firearms are to be uncased at a firing point only!
- Guns and magazines are to be loaded at a firing point only!
- Do not leave your guns or ammunition unattended!
- Do not fire a gun from a seated position unless using the longer target hangers.
- Targets may be placed at intermediate distances for use in the standing position only.

Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- No rapid fire (less than 2 seconds between shots) except in supervised leagues & matches.
- Holsters are not allowed in the pistol range
- If something is broken or requires maintenance please send an email with details to Sccmembership@Stoughtoncc.com so we can get it fixed as soon as possible

Range Access



You must swipe card to gain access to the building

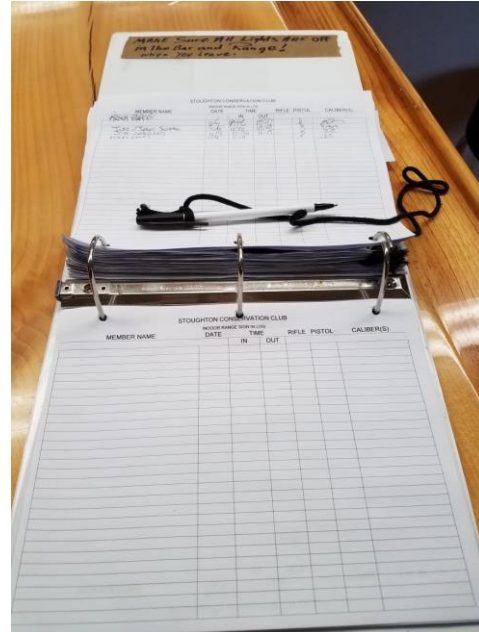
Indoor Pistol Range Access

- You must swipe card to gain access to the pistol range
- You cannot gain access to the range unless you have completed orientation



Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- Sign in on the provided sign in sheet
- Print your name, date, time in & out, along with the caliber(s) you are shooting



Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- Targets are to be hung from the target carriers only
- Targets must be made from paper/cardboard type materials
- No metallic, plastic, or other materials!



Target Carrier

Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- Targets must be positioned at or beyond the closest red line (7 yards).
- All targets should be placed at a red line or the backstop.

7 yard Red Line



Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- Firearms must be pointed down range
- Be sure the backstop is inline with your target, not the ceiling, walls or floor

Don't Aim at the floor



Don't Aim at the Ceiling



Always Align for the BackStop



How the BackStop Works

- Bullet Impacts the plate and rides to the top
- There is a rolled area where the projectile slows down and then rides back down the plate into a bucket



Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- All firing must be done from the firing points, never closer to the backstop



Indoor Pistol Range Rules

- Be aware of your target & what is beyond
 - Think, will my bullets hit the impact area or someplace else?



Indoor Pistol Range Etiquette

- Uncase your firearm only at the Firing Line
- Open action & keep muzzle pointed down range



Indoor Pistol Range Etiquette

- Place dud rounds in the container at the back of the firing range



Indoor Pistol Range Etiquette

- Clean up your Brass
 - No Trash or Glass



Indoor Pistol Range Etiquette

- Be sure the lights and exhaust fan are off when you leave if no one else is using the range (This includes bar area and bathrooms).



Report Bad Behavior

- Politely ask individual to stop and provide instruction on the correct behavior
 - If uncomfortable, that's okay. Use your phone to take a photo of the log book and email details (date & time) to:
Sccmembership@Stoughtoncc.com
- For serious issues, call 911
- Card access logs can be reviewed and the range has 24/7 video surveillance
 - Violators may be suspended or have their membership revoked

Basic Firearm Safety Rules

- **TREAT EVERY FIREARM AS IF IT WERE LOADED**
- **ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION**
- **BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND WHAT IS BEYOND IT**
- **KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL YOU ARE READY TO FIRE**

Outdoor Archery Range



Outdoor Archery Range Rules

- Field points are only allowed at the backstops
- Broad heads and all hunting points are only allowed at the sand pits
- Remove backstop cover before shooting & replace backstop cover when done shooting
- Dispose of used targets

Outdoor Archery Range Rules

- Bows down and no arrows nocked if anyone is down range
- Only paper and cardboard targets.
- A separate crossbow only range is located on the north side of the pistol building parking area. Same rules apply.



Outdoor Archery Range

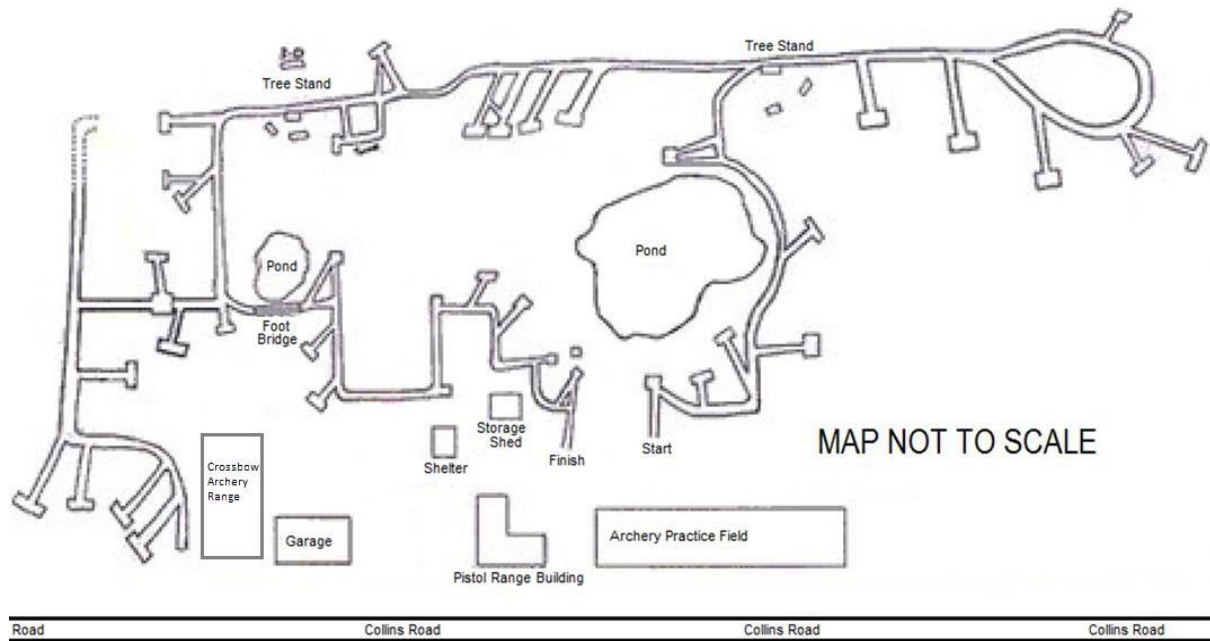


Sand Pits

Backstops



Outdoor Archery Woods Trail Map



Outdoor Crossbow Range Rules

- Field points are only allowed at the backstops
- Broad heads and all hunting points are allowed at sand pits
- Remove backstop cover before shooting & replace backstop cover when done shooting
- Dispose of used paper targets
- Bows down and no bolts nocked if anyone is down range





- Only field points are allowed at the backstops

- Broad heads and all hunting points are **ONLY** allowed at the sand pits



- Remove backstop cover before shooting & replace backstop cover when done shooting



Indoor Archery Range



Indoor Archery Range Rules

- Crossbows & firearms are NOT permitted
- Bows are to be drawn straight back to prevent miss fires going into the ceiling
- Arrows are not to be nocked when anyone is down range
- **Always shoot from a common firing line**
- If an arrow falls forward of the firing line, do not retrieve it until the line has finished shooting
- New Targets are available for \$1 each
- Only paper and cardboard targets
- No Horseplay allowed in the range

Final Words - SAFETY FIRST!

- This is a non-working membership. While not required to “work”, we encourage volunteers (Range cleaning, upgrades and events)
- Please empty full trash cans
- Most importantly - **Have Fun!**

Questions, comments or club tour requests

Email - sccmembership@stoughtoncc.com

General Membership Meetings - 2nd Monday of the month, 7pm - see you there!

