

Ponca City Rifle & Pistol Club



New Member Orientation
2022

The PCR&PC Mission

The Ponca City Rifle and Pistol Club is dedicated to adult and youth firearm education, hunter education, and the furtherance of the shooting sports.

We provide a safe venue for shooting by promoting organized shooting competitions, by offering educational classes and events, by promoting fellowship and good sportsmanship, and by providing opportunities for family activities, while keeping firearm safety paramount in the pursuit of all of these activities.

Code of Conduct for Members and Guests

It is the policy of PCR&C that members and guests maintain the highest degree of integrity and decorum. Any behavior, which damages or could damage PCR&PC's reputation is prohibited. Good sportsmanship is an obligation of every member and is an integral part of every event sponsored by or held at PCR&PC. Club members and their guests are held accountable for any use of profane, vulgar, and offensive language or behavior.

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PCR&PC is a privately owned club with 300+ members, located in southern Kay County, Oklahoma, between Ponca City and Tonkawa (See map at the end of this orientation guide). The PCR&PC serves citizens of north central Oklahoma and south central Kansas, but everyone is welcome to join.

The Ponca City Rifle and Pistol Club reserves the right to refuse admittance to anyone.

Facilities

Facilities include

- Clubhouse and storage facilities
- Four Pistol and rim fire Bays
- A 50-yard rifle range
- A 100-yard rifle range
- Shotgun range
- 200/300-yard rifle range

We have a water well with potable water. It is located north of pistol bay #2 south of the northern access road and near the berm area.

We are up grading our ranges and facilities and have plans to continue to make improvements.



National Rifle Association (NRA)

We are an affiliate club of the NRA and NRA membership is required to be a PCR&PC member. The National Rifle Association of America is a gun rights advocacy group. Founded to advance rifle marksmanship, the modern NRA continues to teach firearm safety and competency. The organization also publishes several magazines and sponsors competitive marksmanship events. <https://home.nra.org/> and <https://www.nraila.org/> for political news.



Oklahoma Rifle Association

We are an affiliate club of the ORA. Membership in ORA is encouraged but not required to be a PCR&PC member. The ORA is an affiliate organization of the NRA. Its mission is to protect, preserve, and defend the second amendment, shooting sports and hunting rights at the state level. The ORA promotes shooting competitions and training programs in Oklahoma. <http://www.oklarifle.com/>



OK2A – Oklahoma Second Amendment Association

We support OK2A and encourage membership. OK2A is Oklahoma's Leading Advocate for 2nd Amendment Rights and there is a Kay County group that meets on the 4th Saturday at noon. OK2A has a presence at the State Capital and keeps track on all legislation that involves our rights as gun owners. <https://www.ok2a.org/>



PCR&PC is a Range Member of the National Shooting Sports Foundation. The National Shooting Sports Foundation is an American national trade association for the firearms industry. Formed in 1961, the organization has more than 8,000 members: firearms manufacturers, distributors, retailers, shooting ranges, sportsmen's clubs and media. Their motto is: To promote, protect and preserve hunting and the shooting sports. The NSSF supports various training programs such as the "First Shots" program which our club supports and teaches. <https://www.nssf.org/>



The NRA Whittington Center in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains near Raton, New Mexico, is one of the largest and most comprehensive shooting facilities in the United States. We encourage members to join and enjoy shooting there. Founded in 1973, the Center offers ranges for every kind of shooting discipline, a shotgun center, a firearms museum, specialized firearms training, guided and unguided hunts, and a great store. A great vacation spot. <https://www.nrawc.org/>

A Brief History of PCR&PC

The Ponca City Rifle & Pistol Club was founded about 1952. The PCR&PC for many years leased a range from the local VFW in Ponca City. The \$35 annual membership fee was cheap and access very convenient. The range was located on lakefront property within the city limits and excluded from the city's firearm discharge ordinances.

The club only had a 100-yard range and in the early 2000's received a small grant from the NRA to help build a pistol bay. Construction was started on the pistol bay backstop when a developer purchased the land adjacent and downrange and applied for zoning to build upscale housing. More than 50 club members turned out at zoning hearings to protest the zoning change, but we had no legal basis to stop the developer nor did the city. Thanks to lobbying by the Oklahoma Rifle Association (ORA), the state NRA affiliate, Oklahoma has a law protecting ranges from lawsuits based on noise, but the issue in our case was safety. Some of the homes were being constructed directly behind the range backstop berm and there was no room to enlarge the backstop and baffles were too expensive for our small club.

We voluntarily shut down the range in early January 2006 because of our concerns about safety. For over two years members searched for a new location. At first we tried to find land to lease, but later a member cosigned for a loan to buy land and we developed a business plan for buying land. After several attempts to secure a site for the club, the current location was purchased. We have since paid for our property!

Volunteers built fences and renovated the 30 ft. x 40 ft. metal building for a clubhouse. A 100 yd. rifle range and a 75 ft. pistol bay were constructed and shooting began on Labor Day 2008.

Currently, we have four pistol bays, a 50 yard range, 100 yard range, and a 200/300 yard rifle range. We have a shotgun range with plans to upgrade the thrower. We continue to improve the facilities as we have funds.

Membership has been growing, and everyone has taken pride of ownership on the range.

2022 Officers

President – Aaron Michaud

Vice President – RJ Warren

Sec/Treasurer – Glenda Underwood

Chief Instructor – Glenn Cope

Range & Membership Chairman – Bill Parr

Executive Officer – Tony Doyle

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