



## East Elgin's Sportsmen's Association AGM & Elections

Unfortunately this years Annual General Meeting will once again be cancelled due to the government imposed restrictions on the number of people allowed at group gatherings. Indoor gatherings and events are currently restricted to a maximum of 50 people providing social distancing can be maintained. Quorum for 2021 is 60 members to hold a meeting and our facility does not have the capacity to seat 60 or more people and still adhere to the social distancing and gathering size restrictions.

We will do our best to have all year end reports and documents from the club accountant and department heads made available by April 1st on our club website. We do realize this is not an optimal method and far from the type of open forum an AGM allows but under the current situation it is what we feel is a reasonable response to an unreasonable situation.

## 2021 Elections

This years elections had 4 positions available and only 3 bios were

submitted for the positions meaning we have no need to hold the voting process. The board has opted to remain with 9 directors for the remainder of 2021. The successful candidates are listed below with the rest of the 2021 Board of Directors. The club executive was voted on by the Board of Directors at the March 20th BOB meeting.

### Executive

- Doug Lighthouse - President [dlightsheart@eesa.ca](mailto:dlightsheart@eesa.ca)
- Barry Rawlinson - Vice President [brawlinson@eesa.ca](mailto:brawlinson@eesa.ca)
- Lee Lighthouse - )Secretary [llightsheart@eesa.ca](mailto:llightsheart@eesa.ca)
- Corey Hoffarth - Treasurer [choffarth@eesa.ca](mailto:choffarth@eesa.ca)

### Directors at large

- Peter Sherriff - [psherriff@eesa.ca](mailto:psherriff@eesa.ca)
- Ken Bond - [kbond@eesa.ca](mailto:kbond@eesa.ca)
- Ken Marlatt - [kmarlatt@eesa.ca](mailto:kmarlatt@eesa.ca)
- Bill Arnot - [barnot@eesa.ca](mailto:barnot@eesa.ca)
- Blair Payne - [bpayne@eesa.ca](mailto:bpayne@eesa.ca)

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## Range Rules Reminders



Every once in a while we find it necessary to remind everyone of a few of the rules at EESA that seem to be easily overlooked or forgotten. Over the past year with so many changes to some of the rules affected by covid a friendly reminder can make a big difference.

- **Members are currently restricted to 1 guest at a time on all outdoor rages. This will help to ensure social distancing can be maintained.**
- **Members and Guests are asked to make use of 1 shooting station only**

- **Members are asked to make use of 1 station only. Storing your gear or your 2nd firearm on an open 2nd station prevents others from using that station.**
- **The indoor range is currently restricted to no more than 5 people at a time and no guests are permitted in the indoor range.**
- **Supervised shoot nights in the indoor range are restricted to new members in need of sign off only. This is temporary and strictly meant to permit more new shooters to gain their indoor access while the indoor range is limited to 5 shooters.**

## **EESA and Covid**

### **The Re-opening**

**On February 12th the provincial government announced regions will return to the Covid-19 response framework.**

**(colour coding of regions)**

**EESA falls under the Southwest Public Health region which has now been designated as being in the Response Framework's orange zone.**

**Effective February 17th the indoor range was re-opened to members only, with a maximum of 5 people at a time in the shooting range area. Social distancing must still be maintained and allowing more than 5 at a time, or guests, will make that impossible. Masks must be worn at all times by anyone in the range or viewing area with absolutely no exceptions. Even if you are alone inside, a mask or face covering that completely covers the mouth and nose must be worn.**

**All outdoor ranges will remain open and will continue to keep every 2nd station closed to ensure social distancing is maintained, members will however be allowed to bring 1 guest.**

**We appreciate everyone doing their part and abiding by the newest restrictions. So far in our region the number of cases have been decreasing at a steady pace and hopefully before the nicest shooting weather arrives we'll be back at it in full swing.**

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## Club Upgrades

### Hydro Supply Upgrade

For the past few years we've been experiencing hydro surges at the club that have caused damage to some of our internal systems. IE: hard drives, UPS power supplies, access systems etc...

Our local utility supplier has for the most part been unresponsive in assisting us in having this rectified. We have recently opted to make sure our systems are protected and installed our own surge protection that will help prevent further issues.

### Target Retrieval System



Recently we've seen our current target retrieval system in the indoor range start to fail at a much more frequent rate and we felt it was time to consider a new system before we have a critical breakdown and find ourselves with no working target system in the indoor range.

With that said, starting April 19th the indoor range will be closed until April 23 for the installation of a brand new target retrieval system by [Caliber Target Systems](#) in Brantford. This is an upgrade that will last us for a lot of years to come.

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## Wildlife at EESA

Now that spring is here, so is a lot of returning wildlife. Members will come across Deer, Turkeys, Geese, Turtles, Killdeer and just about anything that lives in this region.

Please remember that if any wildlife shows up on a range all shooting must be stopped immediately until the range is clear.



## Firearm & Range Safety

Below, EESA's Chief Safety Officer Peter Sherriff, with help from member and videographer Nathan Roberts, go over some of the safety rules we have at EESA. We have many more videos to come and by all means please feel free to send in any suggestions to Peter at [psherriff@eesa.ca](mailto:psherriff@eesa.ca)



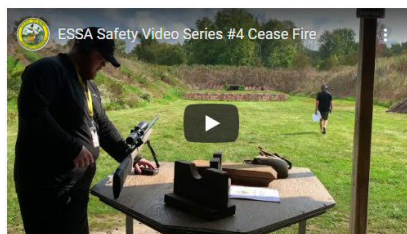
Un-Boxing Firearms



Establishing & Maintaining Firing Lines

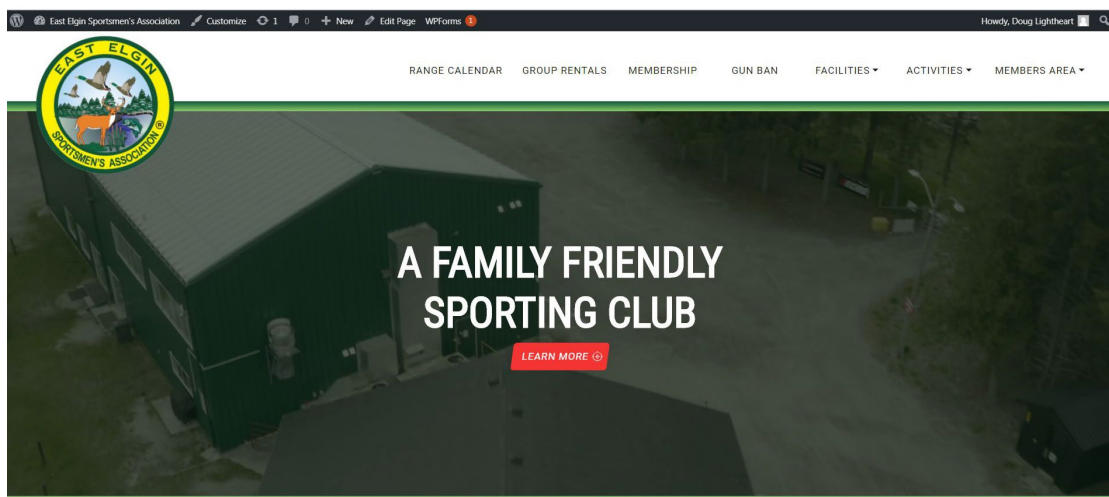


Muzzle Discipline



Cease Fires

A '[Safety at EESA](#)' page has recently been added to the club with a video series put together by our Chief Safety officer Peter Sherriff and member/videographer Nathan Roberts. The short videos cover many aspects of safety at eesa and we encourage our members to familiarize yourselves with them. Watch for more videos and additions to the page in the future.



www.eesa.ca has been totally rebuilt and now has a completely new look. Registering to gain access to the members only pages will now be done by the membership committee when members join EESA. Members who have joined recently but aren't registered yet will be contacted soon via email with registration information, and, long term members who have never registered just write [membership@eesa](mailto:membership@eesa) and let us know so we can get you taken care of.

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## **Facility Rentals**

Vice President Barry Rawlinson is also our facilities manager, anyone interested in renting the club facilities can contact Barry at [brawlinson@eesa.ca](mailto:brawlinson@eesa.ca) for rates and availability or submit facility requests through the [club website](#).

## **Chief Safety Officer**

East Elgin Sportsmen's Association chief safety officer is Peter Sherriff. Please direct and questions or concerns about safety on the ranges or safe gun handling to Peter at [psherriff@eesa.ca](mailto:psherriff@eesa.ca).

## **Head Range Officer**

East Elgin's head Range Officer is club Vice President Barry Rawlinson. Inquiries about Range Officer courses or any other RSO related questions can be directed to Barry at [brawlinson@eesa.ca](mailto:brawlinson@eesa.ca)

## **The Current East Elgin Board of Directors and contact information**

- President - Doug Lighthouse [dlighthouse@eesa.ca](mailto:dlighthouse@eesa.ca)
- Vice President Barry Rawlinson [brawlinson@eesa.ca](mailto:brawlinson@eesa.ca)
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