



C.A.R.S. CLUB OF THE SUN CITIES, INC

CORPORATE BYLAWS OF THE C.A.R.S. CLUB OF THE SUN CITIES, INC

Article I: Name

Section I

The name of club shall be: C.A.R.S. Club of the Sun Cities, Incorporated.

Article II: Purpose

Section I

To bring together those individuals in the Sun Cities and surrounding area interested in the restoration, preservation, maintenance and enjoyment of classic, antique, reproduction and sentimental automobiles having a Model Year that is 30 years or more prior to the first day of each New Year.

A. The age of the reproduction automobiles or replicas shall be considered the vintage of the original automobile of which they are designed to resemble.

Article III: Membership Eligibility

Section I

This organization shall be non-partisan and non- denominational.

Section II

New member application will be presented to and approved by the Board of Directors of the Club. If a show car is owned by the prospective member it will be presented for acceptance at a Board of Director's meeting prior to a final vote.

Section III

To qualify for membership, the applicant or spouse must be interested in the restoration, preservation, maintenance and enjoyment of classic, antique, reproduction and sentimental automobiles. Ownership of such a vehicle is NOT required. Automobiles (or replicas as stated above) presented for acceptance will have a model year that is thirty years or more prior to the first day of each-New Year. This means that effective on January 1st of each upcoming New Year, the age of all Show Cars must be at least 30 years old. (i.e. on January 1 of 2019, the Model Year of all Show Cars must be 1989 or older; on January 1 of 2020, the Model Year of all Show Cars must be 1990 or older; and on January 1 of 2021, the Model Year of all Show Cars must be 1991 or older, etc.)

Section IV

There shall be four types of memberships:

A: Charter Members

B. Regular Members

C. Life Time Members – those voted upon by the Board of Directors as deserving of special recognition with sustaining membership (dues free).

D. Associate Members – available to those individuals (singles) or couples who, because of health or other reasonable circumstances, are unable to participate in club car shows or parades and have been a member in good standing for ten (10) years or more. Such membership will be subject to board approval upon receiving a letter of request available as a form letter from the secretary. Associate members will pay dues and are eligible for all club social functions but will not serve on the Executive Board of Directors. Associate Members may revert to regular membership if and when circumstances change.

Article IV: Individual Member Obligations

Section I

A. Membership dues will be \$30/year for couples and \$15/year for singles to be used, along with income from car shows and parades, to help cover club operating expenses. Single memberships are available for members in good standing who are unmarried, are not cohabiting or whose spouse, for health or other circumstances will not be active in club functions, either shows, parades or social functions.

B. Dues are due January first of each year. Dues not received by that date will be considered delinquent and members who have not paid by January 15th will be dropped from the directory and membership rolls.

C. First year membership will be prorated at the rate of \$2.50/couple (single or couple), payable when joining, up to January 1, at which time the full membership fee is due.

D. If a member brings a guest to a Club-sponsored social function, he/she is expected to pay full cost as set by the Activities chairman and the Board of Directors.

Section II

Except for annual fees, the operating capital for supporting Club activities is derived from car shows and parades where the Club is paid a fee for each car displayed. Therefore, members are encouraged to reply positively to Club requests to display their show car whenever possible

Section III

Cars on display at car shows must remain in place for the full period for which we are being paid. Any deviation from this rule will be at the discretion of the show set-up crew. All members who agree to exhibit their car at a club sponsored show are expected to maintain surveillance over their car. Each owner is responsible for his/her own car. This responsibility cannot be transferred. The club carries only liability insurance coverage which does not cover individual cars.

Section IV

It shall be the responsibility of the individual Club member to provide minimum liability and property damage insurance coverage on his/her automobile(s) as

required by Arizona Department of Motor Vehicles before said automobile may be used in activities relating to or sponsored by the C.A.R.S. Club of the Sun Cities.

Article V: Point System

Section I

An award system prevails in the Club by which members may earn points (tokens) for displaying their cars in shows or driving them in parades for which the Club is paid a fee.

Section II

Participants in all paid shows or parades will be awarded five (5) points per show and will receive tokens to equal such value. Points or tokens are for use by and for Club members only.

Section III

Tokens may be used to purchase Club regalia and/or pay, in lieu of cash, for the member's participation in Club-sponsored social events as determined by the Board. Tokens or points are not to be used for guests. A guest is any person whose name is not listed in the directory and who has not been issued a name tag.

Section IV

Each token, as designated by color and marking, has a value of \$1.00 per point when used for purposes as described in Section III above. However, tokens have no cash redemption value and their use value ends with termination of membership and are to revert back to the Club.

Section V

Tokens may be used to pay annual dues, but may not be used for guest participation in Club social events. Except for the Annual Club Breakfast, which is free to Members but not to Guests, each social event will have a predetermined portion of the cost for which tokens can be used. This amount will be set by the Activities Chairman and the Board and will be announced in the Club Newsletter.

Article VI: Governing Board

Section I

1. The executive body of the Club will consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and will be elected by the general Membership. The full governing Board of Directors, appointed by the President, will consist additionally of the immediate Past President, Activities Director, News Letter Editor, Regalia Chairman, Car Show Procurement Chairman, Car Show Coordinator, and Car Show Set-up Chairman. During the course of the year, the President will have the authority to appoint additional members to the Board as he/she deems necessary without a membership vote. Any such additions will be non-voting members of the Board.

2. The Board of Directors, by a vote of the majority of its board members, may suspend, expel, or terminate the membership of any officer or any member for conduct, which in its opinion, disturbs or impairs the good name, popularity, goodwill, or prosperity of the Club, or which is likely to endanger the welfare, interest, or character of the C.A.R.S. Club of the Sun Cities, Inc., or for any conduct in violation of these bylaws or the rules and regulations of the Club.

3.

A. The Executive Officers of the Board of Directors of the C.A.R.S. Club of Sun Cities, Inc., being duly elected, may function, without confirmation by the general membership, to act on the following matter set forth in 3(B) below.

B. The Executive, with four (4) members present and a minimum of five (5) additional Board of Directors may, at any scheduled Board Meeting, with an affirming majority vote of at least 5 to 4 votes, undertake to reasonably support charitable organizations, particularly those benefiting United States Disabled military personnel, the dependents of deceased military personnel, and other designated local charitable organizations which, at the sole discretion of said majority of the Board of Directors, may then request the Treasurer to distribute Club funds up to a maximum of \$400 per year, per organization, with an annual gross distribution not to exceed \$1200 per the calendar year, while always leaving a minimum of six (6) thousand dollars, after subtracting outstanding tokens, in the operating funds of the Club's bank account throughout and at years end.

Section II

At the November general membership meeting

1. The nominating committee, appointed by the President at the February meeting, will submit its recommended slate of officers for the Executive Board of Directors. This slate will be published in the fall News Letter. Any member interested in serving the Club on the Executive Board is urged to contact the nominating committee chairman, committee member, or any member of the current governing board.
2. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.
3. Election by written ballot for the executive Board of Directors will take place at the annual Club Breakfast.
4. The newly elected President will appoint the other members of the Board of Directors and the list will be published in a newsletter prior to January 1 of the incumbent year.
5. Voting governing board members and elected officer's (11) dues will be paid by the club for the elected year.
6. Newly elected Board Members and Officers will take office January 1.

Section III

The initial term initial term of office for a Board member shall be one year from January 1 to December 31. An elected Board office or appointed Board member may serve for more than one term.

Section IV

Executive Board positions vacated during the year shall be filled by progression or by appointment by the full board.

Section V

All chairmanships or committees required during the year shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the board.

Section VI

Removal of an officer of the executive board must be approved by a majority vote of those present at a regular or special membership meeting.

Section VII

The board will meet monthly during the active Club season, September to May of the following year.

Section VIII

Six board members at a meeting will constitute a quorum.

Section IX

The Board of Directors of the club may recommend adopting, amending or repealing bylaws. However, such action must be approved by a majority vote of those present at a regular general membership meeting or a special membership meeting called for that purpose.

Section X

An annual audit of the previous year's treasurer's books will be made by January 15. The audit will be set up by the previous year's vice-president and the auditors will consist of the vice-president, the previous year's treasurer and two volunteers from the general membership.

Article VII: Liability

Section I

Individual Club members or Officers of this Club shall not be liable for debts of the Club.

Section II

Any damage to a member's home or personal property resulting from a club meeting or function at said members home and not covered by Club liability insurance shall be paid for by the Club up to a maximum of \$500. The payment shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Article VIII: General Membership quorum

Section I

At any general membership meeting where action requires membership vote, total membership in attendance will constitute a quorum.

Section II

Each member has one vote.

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Amended by majority vote of Members present 12/11/2019