

# **THE RODEO CITY INVITATIONAL RACING PIGEON CLUB**

## **Constitution and By-Laws**

### **Purpose**

**The purpose of this club is to promote the pigeon fancy within its characteristics of racing pigeons.**

### **ARTICLE I**

**The pigeon club is a non-profit organization and its name shall be:**

**RODEO CITY INVITATIONAL RACING PIGEON CLUB**

### **ARTICLE II**

#### **Objectives**

- A. To maintain a high standard of true sportsmanship, promote pigeon racing, ecology and social relationship.**
- B. To promote more successful racing by providing information through an exchange of ideas and methods.**
- C. To promote fellowship among its members.**
- D. From time to time to sponsor pigeon shows and futurity races for the purpose of stimulating interest and to promote healthy competition between club members and between this club and other clubs of a like nature.**

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **Membership**

- A. Only honest, active, dedicated and congenial pigeon flyers will be accepted by this club.**
- B. The Executive Committee shall approve all membership applications.**

**All new members must be approved by a majority vote of the members of the club.**

**Article IV**

**Dues and Fees**

- A. All new members shall pay a \$5.00 initiation fee plus their annual dues immediately upon initiation.**
- B. Membership dues shall be determined annually by a majority vote of the membership upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee.**
- C. Any money that might be left at the end of the year shall be spent for the benefit of the members only.**
- D. Regular members shall pay their annual dues at the January meeting unless otherwise approved by the Executive Committee Officers.**

**ARTICLE V**

**Officers and Directors**

**Section 1: Title-How Many? Officers**

**The Officers and Directors of this Club shall consist of:**

- 1. President**
- 2. Vice-President**
- 3. Secretary**
- 4. Treasurer**
- 5. Sergeant at Arms**
- 6. Race Secretary**
- 7. Publicity Director**

**The immediate Past-President of this club shall serve on the Executive Committee as a director for the year following his term as President. Delete**

**The President, Past-President and Charter Members will constitute the Executive Committee. Delete**

## **Section 2: Election of Officers and Directors**

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**The election of Officers and Directors shall be held annually, at a general meeting, during the month of November. Election shall be a majority vote of the members present. Election of each officer shall be held separately in order listed in Article V, Section 1.**

## **Section 3: Term of Officers**

**The term of office is for one (1) year, which shall begin on January 1 and end on January 1 of the following year.**

## **Section 4: Duties of Officers**

- A. President: The duties of the President shall be to preside at all the meetings of the organization; to appoint committees; to generally supervise and coordinate all members in the operation of the club and to be the official representative of the Club. The President will chair the Executive Committee. Delete**
- B. Vice-President: The Vice-President shall assist the President with all duties he may assign and otherwise act in his absence. The Vice-President shall follow up interview all new members.**
- C. Secretary: The Secretary's duties will be to keep a permanent record of the minutes of all meetings and all business transactions of the club.**
- D. Treasurer: The Treasurer's duties will be the primary care and custody of all monies. The Treasurer: shall keep and accurate and permanent account of all receipts and disbursements and submit financial reports.**
- E. Sergeant-at-Arms: The Sergeant-at-Arms will maintain order at meetings and races. Further it will be his duty to keep a roster of all members present at each meeting of the club. Delete**

**F. Race Secretary: The duties of the Race Secretary shall be to take charge of all race related and shipping duties required to put on a successful race and furnish members with Club, Combine and Concourse results.**

**G. Publicity Director: The Publicity Director will insure that the club receives recognition for accomplishments and will inform the racing fancy of our activities. Delete**

#### **Section 5: Candidates for Officers and Directors Delete**

**The Executive Committee President shall, at their meeting delete in the month of September, pick three (3) members to pose as a Nomination Committee. It shall then be the duty of such Nominating Committee at the meeting in October to make public its selection of candidates for the seven (7) five (5) elected offices, first having secured the consent of each to serve if elected. At this meeting, any member of the Club may present from the floor a candidate or candidates for any of the seven (7) five (5) elective offices to be voted upon in the regular meeting in November, first having obtained the consent of each of his nominees to serve if elected.**

#### **Section 6: Vacancies**

**In the event an office becomes vacant, that office shall become filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of members of the Executive Committee Club, having first secured consent of nominee to serve if elected.**

#### **Section 7: Removal of Officers**

**Any elected officer that is absent from three (3) consecutive or a total of four (4) meetings in an one calendar year could be relieved of his duties.**

### **ARTICLE VI**

#### **Amending the Constitution**

##### **Section 1: Method**

**The Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided written notice of the proposed amendment has been presented to the membership at least one regular meeting prior to the vote.**

## **Section 2: The Vote**

**The voting shall be by a show of hands unless one or more members request secret ballot. Voting shall be by secret ballot if requested before voting takes place.**

## **Article VII**

### **Removal of Membership**

#### **Section 1: Reason for Removal of Membership**

- A. Member shall be dropped from the membership roll for any action which would reflect dishonor and disgrace to the Club.**
- B. A member may be dropped from the membership roll for failure to participate in or attend club meetings and functions.**

#### **Section 2: Method**

**Should a problem arise involving Section 1 above, a hearing will be granted upon request of the individual involved and only after unanimous approval of the Executive Committee Membership, will his membership be revoked.**

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Order of Business**

**So far as they are not inconsistent, Roberts Rules of Order shall be the standard of parliamentary practice.**

## **Article IX**

**A copy of this Constitution and By-Laws shall be delivered to each member of the Rodeo City Invitational Racing Pigeon Club. A copy of each amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws, when adopted, shall be delivered to each member by the secretary.**

## **Article X**

**Proxies of members shall not be valid for voting in elections nor in the adoption of any resolution or measure.**

**Article XI**

**Installation of Officers shall be conducted at the regular January meeting.**

**Article XII**

**Each member is charged with the responsibility of conducting himself in such a manner that the reputation, interest and good standing of the Club and its members will remain on the highest plain.**

**Article XIII**

**Any disputes or disagreements shall be addressed by the Executive Committee Club Officers and their decision shall be final.**

**Article XIV**

**This Constitution and By-Laws adopted the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.**

**AMENDMENT**

**There will be no drinking of alcoholic beverages during club meetings or shipping of races.**

