

## Article 1 – Name

The club shall be called <u>ARKANSAS EAGLE RIDERS</u>, a locally organized club for motorcyclists and hereafter referred to as AER or the Club.

# Article 2 – Purpose

AER is intended to be a Riding Club for any and all brands and types of motorcycles. Our mission is to attract like-minded motorcyclists for organized and supervised local and national rides and to promote safety awareness and education throughout the Membership. Additionally, it is our continual mission to encourage social camaraderie within the club and to foster participation in community service outreach programs.

#### **Article 3 – Membership**

- A. Membership is open to all individuals without discrimination.
- **B.** Membership is renewable annually on a calendar year basis.
- **C.** Members are required to complete an AER Membership application which includes the Agreement for Release, Waiver of Liability and Assumption of Risk Membership Form.
- **D.** Suspension of Membership Any Member in good standing may propose to the current Officers the discipline or suspension of any Member due to unacceptable behavior or recklessness regarding safety concerns. The Officers will determine by majority vote the appropriate action to be taken.
- E. Membership email list will only be accessible by Officers, Membership coordinator and Ride Captains Coordinator. Phone number list may be published to current Membership.

# Article 4 – Officers

- A. Elected Officers shall be: President, Vice-President and Treasurer.
- **B.** Officers shall serve a one year term on a calendar year basis.
- **C.** Appointed positions shall be assigned by the current Officers, renewable on a yearly basis. These positions include but are not limited to: Ride Captains Coordinator, Membership Coordinator, Facebook Administrator, Website Administrator, Newsletter Editor or any Ad Hoc positions that may arise. The Ride Captains Coordinator shall appoint additional Ride Captains who shall be approved by a majority vote of the Membership.
- D. Election procedures Nominations for President and Treasurer shall be opened on 1 September each year and closed on 1 October. All Members in good standing are eligible to nominate a candidate and to cast their vote. Voting will proceed until 1

November and the results will be announced at the regular November meeting. Ballots shall be cast to the AER email site and will be counted by the incumbent Officers. The nominee receiving the second-most votes for President shall be elected Vice president. The Nominee receiving the most votes for Treasurer shall be elected treasurer.

#### Article 5 – Annual Dues

- **A.** The amount of dues shall be determined by the incumbent Officers and approved by a majority vote of the Members in good standing.
- **B.** Dues are effective for the calendar year and shall be paid by 1 March each year.
- **C**. Any Member who joins during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of a year shall have their dues carried over to apply to the following calendar year.
- **D.** Members who have not properly renewed by the end of the first quarter will be removed from the Membership rolls and the email distribution list.

#### Article 6 - Legal

- A. AER maintains an EIN number with the IRS 510428612 as a 501c-3
- **B.** The incumbent Treasurer shall file IRS Form 990-N each year.
- **C.** AER maintains an Umbrella Liability insurance policy which protects the Officers of the club in the performance of their normal duties and also protects each Member when engaged in a club sanctioned ride.
- **D.** AER maintains a checking account with a local bank primarily maintained by the Treasurer. The President and Treasurer are authorized to individually sign checks and that authorization shall be renewed with the bank whenever there is a personnel change of either Officer.
- **E.** The President and Treasurer shall sign the necessary accounting forms at the end of each calendar year.
- **F.** These bylaws may be amended at any time by a majority vote of the Members in good standing. Any vote of the membership shall require a quorum of at least 30% of the total members in good standing.

### **Article 7 – Dissolution**

If it is determined, by a majority vote of the Membership, that AER can no longer sustain or maintain its operation, the club shall be dissolved through official channels. All remaining assets shall be distributed to a local charity or charities determined by the incumbent Officers.

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