THE CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS OF

THE BRUSH BUNCH MOTORCYCLE CLUB

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THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE BRUSH BUNCH

The Brush Bunch is hereby established as an organization dedicated to bringing together compatible riders, promoting safety on the trails, developing cycling skills, promoting the Brush Bunch’s Code of Ethics, and to keeping abreast of all Federal and State legislation concerning motorcycles.

These goals shall be accomplished:

1. To ensure compatibility through membership regulations.

2. To promote safe riding, through specific safety regulations with severe penalties for violations.

3. To develop cycling skills, through the sponsorship of races conducted by the Brush Bunch and through club rides.

4. To promote the Code of Ethics, through a membership oath all members shall be required to adhere to the Code and encourage others to do likewise.

5. To keep abreast of motorcycle legislation, all members shall be expected to know and obey such legislation.

ARTICLE I. THE GOVERNING BOARD

Section 1. Composition of the Board

The Board shall consist of six officers the first year, seven the second year and eight thereafter. These officer shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer, Public Relations Director, Ride Chairman and First Year Board Member. One Board Member shall be added in the second year and one more in the third year, thus bringing the Board to eight members.

Section 2. Qualifications of Officers

All elected officers shall be members in good standing\*, and the Secretary

Treasurer must be bondable.

\* A member in good standing shall have their dues paid in full.

Section 3. Election of Officers

All officers shall be elected the first year by the founders of the organization from their own members. There after only the offices of the Vice President, Secretary Treasurer, Public Relations Director and the Ride Chairman shall be elective.

Elections shall be held annually for the aforementioned offices. Elections shall be held one month prior to the expiration of officers’ terms. New officers shall be installed at the final meeting of the club year. The club year shall be from January 1 to December 31.

Candidates for elective offices shall be nominated and seconded by the general membership (the assembly). Election shall be by secret ballot. The ballot shall be counted and recorded by the out-going Vice President and the Board Members. The President shall announce the results.

Section 4. Rotation of Officers

All other offices shall be held for one year and shall be rotated on the following basis; the Vice President shall assume the office of President, the President shall assume the office of First Year Board Member, the First Year Board Member shall become the Second Year Board Member and the Second Year Board Member shall become the Third Year Board Member. The Third Year Board Member shall retire at the expiration of his term.

Section 5. The Oath of Office

All Officers shall be required to take the following oath:

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do solemnly promise to uphold the Constitution of The Brush Bunch, its ideals, laws and regulations, and to the best of my ability to carry out the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Section 6. The Duties of Officers

The duties of officers shall be as follows:

- President - shall preside at both the Board and Assembly meetings.

- Vice President - shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President and act as assistant to the Ride Chairman.

- Secretary Treasurer - will call roll at each meeting, read the minutes of the last meeting, record the minutes of each meeting in progress, keep accurate records of all financial transactions, maintain a checking account for the organization funds, sign all checks in conjunction with at least one other Board Member, and present a financial statement at each meeting.

- Public Relations Director - shall be responsible for all advertising and correspondence.

- Ride Chairman - shall be in charge of all club sponsored races and trail rides.

- First, Second and Third Year Board Members - shall assist the Public Relations Director and the Ride Chairman, and assume any special duties designated by the President.

ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE

Section 1. The Assembly

Assembly meetings shall be held at least once a month with the provision that a special meeting may be called by the President. The Assembly shall consist of all members in good standing. All motions shall be initiated in the Assembly. Fifty-one percent of those members present shall constitute a majority. One third of the total membership shall constitute a Quorum. No Assembly meeting shall be held if less than a quorum is present.

Section 2. The Board’s Right to Veto

The Board shall have the right to oversee all motions passed by the Assembly. A majority ‘yes’ vote shall be necessary to pass any action. A majority ‘no’ vote shall constitute a veto by the Board.

Section 3. Assembly’s Power to Overrule the Board’s Veto

If a motion is vetoed by the Board it must be resubmitted to the Assembly with the reason for the veto and any recommendations for improvement that the Board feels are essential. The Assembly may overrule the veto of the Board by a three-fourths majority. The motion must then be resubmitted for the Board’s approval.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Admission of New Members

Candidates for admission must be at 21 years old and citizens of the United States. They must be sponsored by a Board Member and be introduced to an Assembly meeting by a club member. They must attend at least five club trail rides and two assembly meetings before being approved by a majority of the Board. A successful candidate must take the Brush Bunch Oath at an initiation ceremony during an Assembly meeting. Initiation fees and one month’s dues must be paid at this time.

THE BRUSH BUNCH OATH

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly promise to uphold the Constitution of the Brush Bunch, its ideals, laws and regulations, and to adhere to the Code of Ethics as set forth in the Constitution. I hereby agree that if should I violate this promise, I shall be subject to forfeiture of all rights or membership.

It is the obligation of all members to support this organization with their time, their money and if necessary the sweat of their brows. All members are subject to all rules and regulations of the organization.

Section 3. Penalties

Any violation of the rules and regulations of this organization is subject to penalties determined by the Board. Penalties shall include suspension or expulsion from the organization. A majority of the Board may determine lesser penalties, but the decision for expulsion must be unanimous. Any member who is expelled from the club forfeits all rights and privileges in the organization. Any member accused of a violation is entitled, upon request, to a hearing by the Board before the Board makes it final decision.

ARTICLE IV. FINACIAL PLAN

Section 1. Funding the Organization

Funds shall be derived from initiation fees, monthly dues and the profits from races and other fund raising activities.

Section 2. Penalties for Late Payments of Dues

Any member 90 days delinquent in payment of monthly dues shall be notified by mail of his delinquency and must bring his dues up to date at the next Assembly meeting or his membership shall be suspended.

Any member so suspended may be reinstated by a majority vote of the Board. If reinstated, this member shall be subject to the same fees as a new member. If not reinstated their membership is terminated.

Section 3. Withdrawal Clause

Upon approval by the Board, any member in good standing may withdraw for not less than one year or more than three years, and during his absence, dues will not be required. Upon his return his dues shall resume.

Section 4. The Use of Organization Funds

Funds shall be used exclusively for organization expenses. These expenses shall be maintenance of the club, all club sponsored events and for attainment of club goals.

ARTICLE V. RIDING REGULATIONS AND CODE OF ETHICS

Section 1. Personal Safety

A. All riders must wear an approved motorcycle helmet.

B. No rider shall knowingly endanger the safety and wellbeing of a fellow rider.

C. Acceptable riding clothing shall be expected.

D. Excessive speed in any parking area shall not be permitted.

Section 2. Machine Safety

A. All motorcycles shall have front and rear brakes

B. Rear fenders are required.

C. All motorcycles must have a muffling device approved by the Board.

D. No motorcycle shall have protruding objects that are hazardous to the rider or fellow riders.

Section 3. Code of Ethics

Each Member of the Brush Bunch shall;

A. Have good conversation practices.

B. Leave riding area as clean or cleaner then it was before the start of the ride.

C. Demonstrate respect for property, whether private or public.

D. Demonstrate respect for others by avoiding endangering or antagonizing them.

Section 4. Racing

Each race held by the club shall have its own rules and regulations as established by the race committee. Any club member in good standing who represents The Brush Bunch in cross-country, hair and hound and desert races shall be reimbursed one-half of his entry fees.

In order to ensure continuity of leadership and the representation of The Brush Bunch’s ideals, the founders; Del Schanz, Roy Basler, Tom Hildesheim, Corky Mallott, Eddy Scholfield and John Cael as charter members, have deemed these organizational and legislative procedures necessary.