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1.0 Club Officers

1.1 The South Carroll Aeromodelers (SCA) officers shall consist of the following: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. The term of office for each officer shall be one year.

1.2 Duties and Responsibilities of Officers

- 1.2.1 President: Shall preside at the regular meetings of SCA and any other meetings deemed necessary. The President shall be the spokesperson for SCA. The President shall be responsible for conducting the operations of the organization in accordance with the by – laws. The President shall appoint committees and assign duties as required for the normal operation of SCA.
- 1.2.2 Vice President: The Vice President shall assist the President and act on behalf of the President when required.
- 1.2.3 Secretary: The Secretary shall maintain all records and rosters of SCA.
- 1.2.4 Treasurer: The Treasurer shall collect all monies and maintain records of all financial transactions. The Treasurer shall disburse funds as directed by the Board of Directors (BOD).

1.3 Newly elected Officers shall take office as of January 1st of the year following election.

2.0 Board of Directors (BOD)

2.1 The Board of Directors (BOD) shall be made up of seven (7) members: Two elected Members At Large, the four club officers and the most previous past President.

2.2 The BOD shall be responsible for the control and management of the affairs, property, and interests of SOUTH CARROLL AEROMODELERS.

2.3 The BOD shall be the deciding entity concerning any disputes or rule violations. Should a board member be involved in the dispute or rule violation, that BOD member will abstain from participation in the resolution of the dispute or rule violation, and a representative from the general membership shall be appointed to replace the aforesaid member for the duration of the dispute or rule violation proceedings.

2.4 The BOD shall have in its power the right to discipline, suspend or expel any member(s) for violation of the Constitution, By-Laws, or general rules as set forth by SCA.

3.0 Election Procedures

3.1 An election shall be held prior to the first meeting in January of each year to determine the Club Officers. Elections shall be held according to the following procedure:

1. At the July meeting, a nominating committee, of at least one member in good standing, shall be appointed by the President. The nominating committee shall then poll the membership for members interested in running for Officers of SCA.
2. At the August meeting, the nominating committee will present nominations to the floor and will also accept nominations from the floor. The nominations will be closed and placed on the table until the September meeting.
3. At the September meeting the elections will be held. Only those nominations presented at the August meeting will be considered eligible candidates.

3.2 Elections shall be conducted by secret written ballot. The ballots shall be prepared by the nominations committee for use at the September election meeting. In the event there is only one nomination for an Officer position, the Nominating Committee shall call for a unanimous ballot to be cast for that Officer position.

3.3 Only members in good standing as specified in these By-Laws shall be eligible to vote. The Secretary will determine who is not a member in good standing.

4.0 Meetings

4.1 Membership meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

4.2 The meeting of the SCA membership shall be held on the first Saturday of the month during the spring and summer months. In the event of weather or other circumstances prevent the meeting from being held on the first Saturday of the month, the meeting will be held on the following Saturday. In the event the meeting can not be held in accordance with this procedure, the membership will be notified of the next meeting time and location.

4.3 In order to call a meeting to order there must be at least one Officer present to preside over the meeting.

4.4 On issues placed before the club for voting, a simple majority of the membership present will be required to decide the issue. For the purpose of voting on matters the BOD must vote on, a quorum of BOD members shall be 3.

4.5 Board of Directors Meetings

4.5.1 The BOD can meet at any time.

4.5.2 Board of directors meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

4.5.3 The board of directors shall consist of the four club Officers and the most recent past President. The President shall call board of directors meetings as necessary.

4.5.4 A Board of Directors meeting shall require a quorum of three members present to be considered official.

5.0 Membership

5.1 Members in Good Standing must meet the following conditions:

5.1.1 AMA Membership – All members shall maintain a current membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). All members shall complete the Recreational UAS Safety Test (TRUST). All radio controlled aircraft flown at the SCA field shall comply with FAA registration requirements.

5.1.2 Dues – All members are required to pay dues in the amount specified each year as follows: • Open Membership One hundred dollars (\$100.00) • Junior Membership – ten dollars (\$10.00). In order to qualify as a Junior member you must be under 18 years of age at the time of joining or renewing your membership. • Lifetime membership – See below. • New Member/Initiation fee – Twenty dollars (\$20). To be paid in addition to Open member fees. All dues are due at the time of joining. Renewals are due no later than March 1st of each calendar year. All dues and fees required for membership are nonrefundable.

5.1.3 Any member that has not renewed their membership by March 1st will be in violation of these By-Laws, and all rights and privileges of membership in South Carroll Aeromodelers will be suspended.

5.1.4 In order to be reinstated as a member in good standing, the member in arrears will be required to pay a reinstatement fee of twenty dollars (\$20) plus the required yearly membership dues.

5.1.4.1 Any member who is more than one year in arrears in dues will be considered no longer a member, and will be required to reapply for membership as if a new member and follow all rules and procedures for new members.

5.1.5 Dues will be prorated at a rate of five dollars (\$5.00) for open membership and two dollars (\$2.00) for Junior membership per month to any new member joining after July 31st thru October of the calendar year. Full membership for new members will be considered as paid for the following calendar year if all fees are paid during November or December.

5.1.6 It is within the prerogative of the general membership to grant free lifetime membership to an individual for exemplary service to the club. The nomination for lifetime membership must be in writing detailing the exemplary service. Granting of lifetime membership shall take place at a regular monthly membership meeting.

6.0 Rules

6.1 All members will be provided with a complete set of rules adopted by South Carroll Aeromodelers. Each member is responsible for reading, understanding, and complying with all rules and regulations as set forth by South Carroll Aeromodelers.

7.0 Damage Liability

7.1 Anyone turning on a transmitter without having the correct frequency control marker, as prescribed by South Carroll Aeromodelers, attached to their transmitter and who thereby cause another pilot flying on the same frequency to crash shall be liable for all damages resulting from such crash including, but not limited to: • Repair of radio equipment • Repair or replacement of engine • Replacement of ARF, kit or materials for scratch built airplanes.

7.2 Costs of the above items shall be determined by pricing listed on current online hobby sales sites.

7.3 If agreement cannot be reached among the involved parties, the matter will be decided by the Board of Directors.

8.0 Guest Flying

8.1 A current club member in good standing may host no more than two (2) guest flyers at the SCA field at any one time providing that the guests are current members of AMA.

8.2 The host must accompany the guest flyers and is responsible for assuring the guest flyers comply with all SCA rules and regulations while at the SCA field. The guest flyers are responsible and liable for any personal injury or damage to aircraft and property resulting from their actions at the field.

8.3 Guest flyers must join SCA after 2 visits to the SCA field.

9.0 Events

9.1 Any and all events other than sport flying by individual members and their guests must be approved by the general membership.

9.2 An event is defined as a scheduled, organized gathering of club members and guests (i.e. family cookout, fun-fly, AMA sanctioned contest). Any function involving more than two (2) non-club members participating will be considered an event.

9.3 Members sponsoring such activities without approval of the Board of Directors will be subject to dismissal from the club.

10.0 Instructors

10.1 The BOD shall determine what members, in good standing, may or may not serve as flight instructors. These instructors will then determine the safety and flight worthiness of any new or re-instated SCA member.

Record of Changes

Numbering/Organization

030825- removed all references to SCAM, becoming SCA immediately.

1.3 Since there is no January meetings, New officers are effective Jan 1st

5.1.1 membership modified to add TRUST and FAA reg.

7.2 reference Tower Hobbies removed from pricing source