# **Upper Milford Field & Stream Association**

# By-Laws as amended 09 July 2019

#### Arcticle I

# Meetings

**Section 1.** The regular stated meetings of the Association shall be held at the Club House or a stipulated place on the date and time set by the Executive Board.

**Section 2.** Quorum at a meeting of the Association consists of at least seven (7) members in good standing in order to conduct the business of the Association.

#### **Arcticle II**

## **Order of Business**

- 1. Call meeting to order.
- 2. Roll call of Officers.
- 3. Reading of minutes
- 4. Report of Treasurer.
- 5. Proposal and balloting of new members.
- 6. Reading of bills & written communications.
- 7. Report of committees.
- 8. Unfinished business.
- 9. New business.
- 10. Remarks for the good of the Association.
- 11. Next meeting date.
- 12. Nomination of Officers (October, November & December)
- 13. Election of Officers ( December only )
- 14. Adjournment.

#### **Article III**

# Membership

- **Section 1.** A person being admitted to adult membership of the Association must be of good moral character and at least sixteen (16) years of age.
  - **1A.** Junior membership may be obtained at age of twelve to fifteen (12 15). A junior member is ineligible to vote or hold any office.
- **Section 2.** All applications for membership shall be presented in writing on a regular application card, signed by applicant and endorsed by a member of the Association and accompanied with the membership fee.
- **Section 3.** Upon approval of the applicant at a monthly meeting, the membership card will be sent out. You are not a member until you receive your card. Rules of the Association are on the back of the card. As a member, you are responsible to read ALL rules and FOLLOW same rules.
- **3A.** Your membership card must be with you when using ranges and fishing. You will need to obtain a fishing stamp on your card in order to fish in the pond.
- **Section 4.** Three negative votes on one candidate for membership shall be considered a rejection of the applicant for a period of six months, at which time the applicant may again apply for membership.
- Section 5. Membership fees shall be immediately refunded to a rejected applicant.

#### **Article IV**

#### Initiation Fees & Dues

- **Section 1.** The initiation fees and dues are to be set by the Executive Board and approved by membership.
- **Section 2.** Dues apply until December 31st of each year.
- **Section 3.** Any member being dropped from the rolls and wishing to be reinstated will be considered as a new applicant and be subject to pay the initial fee plus the yearly dues.

#### Article V

#### **Duties of the President**

The President shall preside at meetings of the Upper Milford Field & Stream Association, maintain order, regulate debates and enforce the By-Laws. The President shall not be entitled to vote except on the election of Officers, or any question brought before the meeting on which the members are equally divided. The President shall then have the power to cast the deciding vote. The President shall have the power to call special meetings and direct the Recording Secretary to notify all participants of such meeting.

## **Article VI**

# **Duties of the Vice-President**

The Vice-President shall assist the President in any way possible. In the absence of the President, the duties of the office shall be transferred to the Vice-President. In the absence of the President and the Vice-President, a temporary Chairman shall be chosen by the remaining members to preside.

#### **Article VII**

# **Duties of the Recording Secretary**

The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the Association, keep a correct record of all monies paid and received by the Treasurer.

The Recording Secretary shall record all new members, receive all communications for the Association and read the same at the next meeting.

In case of absence the Recording Secretary shall forward the necessary papers and information to the meeting. Someone will be appointed by the Board to perform the necessary duties for that meeting.

#### **Article VIII**

#### Duties of the Treasurer

The Treasurer shall receive all monies collected for, or belonging to the Association and shall give receipts. The Treasurer must keep accurate books and records of all monies received and expended. At each regular meeting and any special meeting, the Treasurer shall present a detailed statement or report showing receipts and disbursements since the previous report and the balance on hand.

#### **Article IX**

# **Duties of the Financial Secretary**

The Financial Secretary shall keep true and correct accounts between the Association, it's members, and the Treasurer. The Financial Secretary shall also keep a roll of all members.

# **Article X**

#### **Duties of the Trustees**

A Head Trustee shall be elected. All other trustees will be appointed at the elections. The function of the Trustees shall be to have charge of the property of the Association and see that it is properly maintained. The Trustees shall take care of the investments to be made for the Association and to purchase all supplies, equipment, etc. not exceeding \$200, unless approved by the Association.

#### Article XI

## **Duties of the Auditor**

The Auditor shall examine, audit and certify the accounts of the Treasurer yearly and keep separate and accurate record of receipts and expenditures. The Auditor shall be appointed by the Board.

#### **Article XII**

#### **Executive Board**

The Executive Board shall consist of all Officers and Trustees. It shall have control of the buildings and property of the Association and the general management of it's affairs. The Executive Board shall have full power to do all things which in it's discretion shall be necessary to preserve the interest, monetary and otherwise, of the Association, and to maintain it's prosperity. Seven members shall constitute a quorum. It shall make a correct inventory of the property and effects of the Association immediately preceding each annual meeting at which the same shall be read and spread upon the records by the Secretary.

## **Article XIII**

## Alcohol

No alcoholic dispensing license shall be permitted on the premises of Upper Milford Field & Stream Association.

## **Article XIV**

#### **Amendments**

Amendments to the By-Laws must be presented in writing at a regular meeting of the members of the Association. Amendments shall be signed by three members in good standing, shall be discussed at this meeting and shall be presented in their amended form for discussion at a second meeting. At the third meeting, the Amendments shall be presented in their final form at which time they shall be accepted or rejected by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

## **Article XV**

# Life Membership

Any member of the Upper Milford Field and Stream Association may recommend nominees for life membership. Any member nominated for life membership must be approved by the Executive Board at a regular monthly meeting. The nomination shall be subject to final approval of the general membership at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

### **Article XVI**

## **Armed Forces**

Any member of the Upper Milford Field & Stream Association who enlists or is inducted into active duty in any branch of the Armed Forces shall be carried through his/her time of active service as a member in good standing. It shall be the members responsibility to notify any member of the Association's Board within 90 days prior to entry within 90 days separation from active duty.