

## CENTURY BASS CLUB BY-LAWS

### **Article I.**

Section 1.01 The name of this Bass Club is Century Bass Club.

Section 1.02 The purpose for which this Club is formed is to promote organized competitive fishing tournaments with high standards of sportsmanship. The Club will also promote conservation and community service activities.

Section 1.03 To affiliate and qualify with The B.A.S.S. Nation Texas State B.A.S.S. Nation dues are to be paid by September 1st for next year. Article II. Membership

Section 2.01 To become a member, a person shall:(a) Be at least 16 years old and have a signed parental consent form to join and participate in tournaments if between the ages of 16 & 18. (b) Complete a Three (3) tournament probationary period then be nominated for and awarded membership by a vote of the current members. (c) Pay the Membership dues.

Section 2.02 New members shall receive and acknowledge that they will read and abide by: (a) Tournament rules. (b) Club by-laws.

Section 2.03 Membership of the Club:(a) Unlimited membership.

(b) A member in good standing is a member who has fished at least two (2) Century tournaments and has participated in at least one club sponsored community event or conservation activity or a combination of the above events to equal three (3) events.

### **Article III. Membership Dues.**

Section 3.01 (a)The membership fee is \$25.00 a year per person. (b)Membership in B.A.S.S. and Texas B.A.S.S. Nation are encouraged but not required.

Section 3.02 Dues paid on or after September 1 by a new member shall be considered dues for the ensuing year.

### **Article IV. Meeting**

Section 4.01 The monthly meeting shall be on a weekday prior to the tournament as scheduled by the Board of Directors.

Section 4.02 The Board of Directors shall meet prior to the regular membership meeting, if needed.

Section 4.03 Unless impractical or inconsistent with other provisions of these by-laws, all meetings shall be in accordance with Robert's Rules of order.

Section 4.04 The By Laws and rule changes will be voted on, at the regular tournament meeting for October and will be the only time rule changes will be considered for the next year. Any change must pass by a vote of 60% of members in attendance. These rule changes will take effect on November 1<sup>st</sup> of current year.

### **Article V. Officers and Board of Directors**

Section 5.01 The principal officers of the Club shall be the President, Vice President/Tournament Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Website Manager. The

officers of the Club in each year will be members of the Board of Directors. In addition, four (4) members shall serve as Directors.

Section 5.02 Each officer will be elected by the General Membership at the October meeting and assume their duties after the Grand Finale (Classic) Tournament. Once elected, each officer shall hold office for one year, unless he shall resign or be removed. The outgoing officers shall relinquish all properties of the Club accumulated during their term of office.

Section 5.03 Up to Four (4) Directors will be elected by the General Membership at the monthly membership meeting in October of each year. An outgoing President and/or Vice President will automatically fill a Director's position. Once elected, each Director shall hold office for one year, unless he shall resign or be removed.

Section 5.04 In all elections each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote. Proxy votes are not permitted.

Section 5.05 Duties:

**President:** The President shall be the chief Executive of the Club and shall preside at all the meetings.

**Vice President:** The vice-president, in the absence of the president, shall assume duties of President and in addition, he shall assume the position of Tournament Director.

**Secretary:** The Secretary shall keep the minutes, and shall prepare and keep all records of the Club. He shall further receive all applications for membership, which have been approved by the Board of Directors, and is responsible for publishing the newsletter.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds of the Club, collect all dues and tournament entry fees and is responsible for accounts payable for the Club.

**Board of Directors:** The Board shall direct activities of the Club and vote on all matters pertaining to Club business. Board meetings shall be chaired by the President or in his absence, the Vice President.

Section 5.06 Action taken by the Board of Directors shall be reported at each monthly membership meeting of the Club. Such action shall be deemed ratified unless objected to by any member, at which time a vote by the membership present shall be taken to either approve or reject such action.

**Article VI.** Committee

Section 6.01 Board of Directors-the Board of Directors, headed by the President, shall be responsible for all tournaments and for procuring all awards and trophies.

**Article VII.** Finance

Section 7.01 An accounting of Century Bass Club funds will be reported to the Board of Directors at each monthly meeting. All major expenses over one hundred dollars (\$100.00) must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 7.02 At such time, by a vote of all current members, if this club is abolished, all remaining fund will be used to settle all outstanding club debts and any remaining funds will be divided equally among the current members in good standing.

**Article VIII.** Expulsion

**Section 8.01** The Board of Directors may expel any member from the club for misconduct. If twelve (12) members separately submit a complaint concerning a member to the President, the member may be expelled from the club by the Board of Directors. The expelled member has no rights to appeal.

**Section 8.02** The Board of Directors may review infractions of club and tournament rules that are brought to their attention. If decided by the Board of Directors punitive action may be taken. The member has no rights to appeal.