# MCGRAW SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, INC.

# CONSTITUTION

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## ARTICLE 1 NAME

Sec. 1 This organization shall be known as MCGRAW SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, INC.

# ARTICLE 2 OBJECT

- Sec. 1 The object of this Club shall be to create and foster a public sentiment in favor of better fish, game, and foster protection; to suggest and aid the enactment of laws for the protection of fish and game, and for the preservation of the forests; to aid in advancing the protection and propagation of fish, game, and song birds; to assist the state officials in the enforcement of the conservation laws; working to prevent, the pollution of land and water and the malicious destruction of property by hunters and fishermen.
- Sec. 2 To interest and educate its members in the sportsmanlike methods of taking fish and game, to propagate a greater feeling of good will between sportsmen and owners of property in hunting and fishing territory, and general sharing of information among its members.
- Sec. 3 To promote proficiency in trap shooting and marksmanship by erecting and maintaining shooting ranges and traps to promote and accomplish said objects.

# ARTICLE 3 MEMBERSHIP

Sec. 1 Any individual who is in harmony with the objects and purposes set forth in Article 2 shall be eligible for membership.

# ARTICLE 4 DUES

Sec. 1 The annual dues shall be a set price as agreed upon by the Club members, payable in advance of the annual meeting in September.

# ARTICLE 5 OFFICERS

- Sec. 1 The officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, together with a Board of Directors consisting of five members. All officers are to be elected annually, with the Board of Directors to be elected as their terms expire. Initially there shall be two Directors for the term of one year, two Directors for the term of two years and one Director for a three-year term. As each Board of Director member's term expires, the succeeding member or members shall be elected for a three-year term.
- Sec. 2 A Club calendar committee consisting of two members appointed by the Board of Directors shall maintain and schedule all Club activities and use of Club facilities.
- Sec. 3 Club officers and the Board of Directors shall be insured by the Club against any law suits.

#### ARTICLE 6 DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- Sec. 1 The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings of the Club. He shall appoint all committees and by virtue of his office shall be a member of all committees.
- Sec. 2 In the absence of the President and Vice-President, any member of the Club may be elected to preside at any meeting, but shall have no power otherwise,

- Sec. 3 The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors; publish the notice for monthly and special meetings; have and perform all other duties incident of his office.
- Sec. 4 The Treasurer shall collect all fees and dues and have charge of all funds belonging to the Club, keeping and accurate account thereof and rendering a detailed report showing the financial condition of the Club at each monthly meeting. He shall be bonded progressively according to the net cash worth of the organization.
- Sec. 5 The Board of Directors shall have charge of the business affairs of the Club and all matters pertaining to the welfare of the Club. The Board shall select a Chairman to conduct their meetings and to present a report of the Boards actions to the membership at Club meetings. Prior to the date of each annual meeting, the Board of Directors shall audit the books of the Treasurer for the preceding year. The Board of Directors shall have power to fill any vacancy among the officers, that may occur, and any such appointment made by them shall be valid until the next annual elections.

#### ARTICLE 7 MANNER OF ELECTIONS

- Sec. 1 The election of all officers and directors of the Club shall be by a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting with a quorum present.
- Sec. 2 In case of failure to elect officers and directors at any annual meeting on account of the lack of a quorum or for any other reason, the officers and directors then in office shall hold over until their successors are elected.

#### ARTICLE 8 MEETING

- Sec. 1 The annual meeting of the Club shall be held on the last Monday in September of each year.
- Sec. 2 Special meetings of the Club may be called by the President, or by a majority of the Board of Directors.
- Sec. 3 Notices of regular and special meetings shall be posted. The time for holding such meetings shall be at 7:30 PM unless otherwise posted.
- Sec. 4 The Board of Directors meeting shall be at 7:00 PM prior to regular meetings.
- Sec. 5 The annual and regular meetings shall be held on the last Monday of each month, unless it falls on a holiday. Then the meeting will be held on the previous Monday.

#### ARTICLE 9 QUORUM

Sec. 1 At the annual meeting fifteen members shall constitute a quorum. At a special meeting fifteen members shall constitute a quorum.

# ARTICLE 10 SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Sec. 1 Special committees may be appointed by the President for any purpose within the scope of the Club and such committee shall make reports and present same when called upon by the President.

#### ARTICLE 11 SUSPENSIONS

- Sec. 1 For any intentional violations of the purpose of this Club, or a violation of the conservation laws, a member may be expelled or suspended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at an annual or special meeting upon due notice to such a member of the intended action.
- Sec. 2 For non-payment of dues three months after the date of the annual meeting, the member is suspended.
- Sec. 3 The Club is not liable once you have consumed alcohol. The Club recommends the responsible use of alcohol because it impairs your ability and judgment.

#### ARTICLE 12 PLEDGES

Sec. 1 Every member of this Club by becoming a member thereof shall be considered as having pledged his honor to promote and carry out the objects of this Club.

# ARTICLE 13 AMENDMENTS

Sec. 1 This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting, provided that notice of the proposed change is submitted in the same manner as the notice of the regular meetings of the Club herein set forth, and it must be passed consecutively for 3 meetings with a quorum present.

# ARTICLE 14 ORDER OF BUINESS

- Sec. 1 The order of business at all meetings of the Club so far as the circumstances and nature of the meeting may permit, shall be as follows:
  - 1. Call the meeting to order.
  - 2. Reading of minutes of previous meeting.
  - 3. Reports of officers.
    - A Treasurer's report
    - B Board of Directors
  - 4. Report of committees
  - 5. Good and welfare of Club.
    - A Cortland County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs' meeting report.
    - B Letters etc...
  - 6. Unfinished business.
  - 7. New business.
  - 8. Reading and approval of the minutes for the present meeting.
  - 9. Adjournment of meeting.

This is to certify that this is the current CONSTITUTION OF THE MCGRAW SPORTSMEN"S CLUB, INC., ratified by the members present at a meeting held on May 18, 2009.

Gary Davis, President

Renee Parks, Vice-President

Frank Schultz, Secretary

Wilbur Hayes, Treasurer