



COLORADO RIVER CORVETTE CLUB, INC.

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ARTICLE I – Name

The name of the club shall be the “Colorado River Corvette Club. Inc.”, hereafter, referred to as the “club”.

ARTICLE II - Purpose

The Corporation is organized and operated exclusively as a social club to enhance and further the preservation of the Chevrolet Corvette.

ARTICLE III -Character of Affairs

The Corporation will celebrate America’s true sports car through owner fellowship and participation in club meetings and activities. To promote events for members, their spouses and their families by creating an environment where Corvette enthusiasts can share experiences and enjoy themselves. Recognizing the importance of the local community, the corporation will also hold various fundraisers to assist local non-profit organizations.

ARTICLE IV – Earnings

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or shall be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the Article II.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

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ARTICLE V

Section 1 - Members

Regular membership in the club shall be limited to 150 members, however the Board of Directors may at its discretion, allow the number of members to exceed 150. Membership in the club requires that they own a Corvette. Eligible new members are not entitled to club privileges until all club and NCCC dues are paid.

Section 2 - Classes of Membership / Privileges

- a) **ACTIVE** – Any member having paid such annual dues as required in the CRCC and NCCC “Road Runner” region.
- b) **ASSOCIATE** – any active member of any other NCCC region.
- c) **CHARTER** – all active members who paid their first year of dues on or before April 1, 1996.
- d) **PRIVILEGES** – All Active, Associate and Charter members are entitled to all club privileges including the right to hold office, either elected or appointed, however Associate members can only hold office in the CRCC if they do not hold office in any other Corvette Club.

Section 3 – Dues, Membership

Dues for the Colorado River Corvette Club Inc. are established by the Executive Board and are \$25 annually per member, or \$50 per couple, plus NCCC dues. Membership dues are due by the October General Meeting each year by all classes of membership, (Active, Associate and Charter). All dues must be received no later than November 1st, and are **non-refundable** all or part, unless approved by the President and the Executive Board of Directors, also known as the Executive Board.

Non-paying attendees will not be considered as members of the CRCC, and will not wear name badges, or be permitted to vote in elections, or serve on the Executive Board of Directors, or any Committees, or benefit from “club sponsored” events, or receive other club benefits.

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NCCC / NCCC Dues

The Colorado River Corvette Club Inc. is affiliated with the National Council of Corvette Clubs or NCCC. 1st year dues to join NCCC are \$35 per primary member and \$10 for spouse, or \$45. NCCC "renewal" dues are \$25 for primary member and \$10 for spouse or \$35.

The annual payment of NCCC dues for members shall be billed by the Treasurer of the club and are due by the October General Meeting each year. All NCCC dues must be received by the treasurer on or before November 1st, or a late fee of \$10 shall be applied to the member as per NCCC requirements.

All members must be a member of NCCC to participate in any CRCC Club events or runs, for the protection of the club in cases of any liabilities incurred. Waivers must be signed according to NCCC insurance guidelines by members and/or guests to participate in certain events depending on circumstance, including but not limited to, parades, car shows, and where minors are involved.

Section 4 – Expulsion, Code of Conduct and Grievance Policy

Membership will automatically lapse on January 1st for non-payment of dues. Any member may be expelled for infraction of club rules, or other such actions that cause embarrassment to the club, or other misconduct as determined by the majority of the Executive Board, as being in the best interest of the club.

However, before such action is taken, the club member shall have the opportunity to submit in writing, or in person to the Executive Board in full session, his or her position on the charge of which he or she has been notified. The Executive Board shall schedule a hearing date and conduct the meeting in good faith, and in a fair and reasonable manner.

The Executive Board shall have the exclusive power and authority to weigh the infraction, and if necessary, expel a member from the club with a simple majority vote of the Executive Board members. Members are not allowed to act on a grievance independently of the Executive Board.

Section 5 – Resignation

Any elected or appointed officer may resign their office and their duties by directing a letter of resignation to the Secretary of the club. His/her resignation shall be effective upon receipt of the letter provided to the Secretary. A copy of resignation will be forwarded to the President.

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ARTICLE VI

Section 1 – Meetings

- a) **Monthly Club Meetings** shall be held on the third Saturday of each month unless otherwise stated. The Vice President/Activities shall determine the date, time and location.
- b) **Attendance of Officers** – Prior notification to the President is needed for absence from a Board Meeting or General Business meeting.
- c) **Special Meetings** of the Board of Directors, Membership, or Committees may be called by the President, or by a majority of the Executive and/or Appointed Officers. Notice of such meetings, location, date, time and purpose shall be communicated by the Secretary to each member, not less than seven (7) days before the meeting.

Section 2 – Voting / Amendments to Club Rules

All actions regarding election of the Executive Board and/or Amendments to the club rules shall be by a simple majority of active members present at a meeting constituting a quorum*. Voting will take place at General Meetings, and the results will be shared to the membership by the Secretary.

*A quorum is the minimum number of members of a deliberative assembly necessary to conduct the business of that group. The President, or Chairman of the group has the responsibility to determine if a quorum is present. In an organization (or club) in which the membership cannot be accurately determined, the quorum consists of those who attend the meeting.

Section 3 – Conduct of Meetings

“CONSENSUS” along with a “Basic Parliamentary Rule of Order” shall serve as a “guide” for the conduct of Executive Board, Committee and General Business Meetings.

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ARTICLE VII

Section 1 – Elected Officers

The membership shall elect from its body a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and NCCC Governor. This elected body jointly oversees the activities of the organization. It may be called the Executive Board of Directors, Executive Board, Board of Directors, or simply the Board.

Section 2 – Nomination of Officers

The nomination of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and NCCC Governor shall be held bi-annually at the General Meeting in October of even numbered years. The nomination process will be done via “e-mail” and by “ballot box paper nomination slips” provided at General Meetings prior to the October General Meeting in an election year. All nomination submissions are due to the Secretary before the October General Meeting Election.

Section 3 – Election of Officers

Election of Officers, also known as the **Executive Board of Directors** shall be done by the nominating process. The list of nominated members for office will be sent out to all club members via e-mail by the Secretary or voted on by a “paper ballot” at the October General Meeting in an election year.

Members who did not attend or vote at the October General Meeting may return their vote via e-mail to the Secretary no later than November 1st to be counted. Both “hard paper ballots” from the October General Meeting and the “e- mail” returned ballots will be counted by the Secretary. Results will be announced at the November General Business Meeting by the Secretary with the newly elected Officers assuming their duties on January 1.

Section 4 - Inspectors of Election

In advance of any election of Club Officers, the Executive Board may appoint up to three (3) “Inspectors of Election” who are not candidates for office to validate the voting and results with the Secretary.

Section 5 -Term of Office

Term of office, in most cases, unless interrupted by resignation or health issues shall be two (2) years but shall not be limited to the number of terms an officer may serve.

Section 6 - Transition of Office

At the appropriate time, there will be an orientation meeting / social, whereby exiting Officers shall inform and train the newly elected/appointed Officers. All work copies, club records and binders will be turned over to the new Officers at that time.

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ARTICLE VIII

Section 1 – Duties of the President

The President is the Chief Executive Officer of the club and performs all duties pertaining to the office. The President presides at all Executive Board of Directors Meetings and General Business Meetings of the members. He/She will act as the clubs' liaison with other Corvette clubs. The President oversees all club business pertaining to appointed personnel, and committees, and works with the Vice President in overseeing the Activities Committee. The President may call special meetings of the Officers and members under the provisions in Article VI(c).

Section 2 – Duties of the Vice President

In the absence of the President, the duties and full power pertaining to that office shall be performed by the Vice President.

The Vice President shall also serve as **Chairman of the Activities Committee** and work with the Activities Director (appointed) and together may appoint other members as necessary to help serve on this committee.

He/she shall also serve as **Marketing Director** responsible in creating a "team" to work with local businesses and vendors to provide benefits to our club members in the way of discounts on products and services.

Section 3 – Duties of the Secretary / Club Rules Chairman

The Secretary shall attend all General Business Meetings of the members and shall record all minutes of the meeting, record any votes taken, and record amendments to the club by-laws in the records binder kept for that purpose. The Secretary will be responsible to e-mail meeting minutes and treasury reports to all active members prior to the next General Business meeting.

In addition, the Secretary is responsible for sending and receiving back voting ballots from members during election years and tallying the results. The Secretary will update and maintain the official club membership roster and e-mail the revised roster to all members.

In the absence of the Secretary from any of the above said meetings, the President or Vice President, shall choose a Secretary pro tem to take notes and record the meeting.

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Section 4 – Duties of the Treasurer / Expenditures / Reimbursement

The Treasurer shall have custody of all monies and check books, debts, mail box and key, and any other obligations belonging to the club. He/she shall make all timely payments of club debts upon approval of the Executive Board.

The Treasurer shall report monthly and annually as to the financial status of the club. A copy of said report shall be given to the Secretary on a monthly basis. The Treasurer, without specific prior approval of the Executive Board shall incur NO obligation, debt, contract, or other liability for, or in the name of the club.

Section 4.1 – Expenditures and Reimbursement

Members holding Executive, or appointed positions shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses **related to the office or position** not to exceed \$50 without approval from the President, Vice President, or the Executive Board. The expense must be accompanied by a receipt.

The club will allow up to \$150 for expenses for each “**in-club**” event, and up to \$1,000 for the club’s Annual Holiday Awards Banquet to help defray costs of conducting the event. All expenses must be supported by receipts which will be submitted to the Treasurer for reimbursement. No club member may spend funds for an “in club event” to be reimbursed without the approval by the Executive Board.

Expenditures **exceeding** \$150 for operating expenses, club events or activities, services, equipment, or community service projects, including expenditures exceeding \$1,000 for the year-end Annual Awards Banquet would require a simple majority approval by the Executive Board, and the membership.

In the event of “cash only” events, the Treasurer will oversee collection and distribution of funds to the vendor.

Section 4.2 – Financial Commitments

In the event any member agrees to attend a club function which has a stated “cost per member”, which results in a **financial commitment** by the club, and **financial loss** resulting from inadequate member participation, such member shall be obligated to the club in the amount of such stated “cost per member” if such member fails to attend for any reason.

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Section 5 – Duties of the Governor

The Governor shall serve as the club's representative at meetings of the Regional or the National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc. (NCCC).

The Governor shall keep the members apprised of the NCCC events being held within the region, and will work with the club activities committee and encourage members to attend NCCC clubs events. The Governor will work closely with the Membership Director and Treasurer regarding new members, and will maintain a roster of all NCCC assigned membership numbers for the club.

Duties of the Membership Director

The Membership Director will provide membership information to prospective members which will include a club and NCCC application. The Membership Director will process new member applications and will work with the Club Treasurer to complete those applications.

The Membership Director will give the membership report at club meetings, introduce new prospective members to the club, and will e-mail Board members, and the "welcome committee" new member information so e-mail rosters can be updated for events, meetings and other club communication.

Section 6 – Chairman of the Board

The position of Chairman of the Board will be held by the last outgoing President and will serve for a period not to exceed 6 months. The position of Chairman of the Board is intended to be a transitional assistant to the incoming President and the newly seated Executive Board of Directors. The Chairman of the Board may attend the Executive Board meetings and help facilitate those meetings, and only exercise a tie-breaking vote upon agreement of a simple majority of the Executive Board members voting.

ARTICLE IX

Section 1 – Appointed Personnel by the President and Job Responsibility

The **President** shall appoint such personnel, or committees as he or she finds desirable from time to time to ensure club efficiency, and outline the duties and responsibilities for each position. Any regular member may be designated or appointed as a Committee Chairperson as deemed necessary or appropriate by the President and the Executive Board of Directors.

Such appointed personnel / committees will report directly to the President, and present reports to the Executive Board of Directors at monthly Board meetings, and to the membership at monthly Business Meetings.

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Sergeant at Arms

The Sergeant at Arms shall call the General Business Meeting to order. The Sergeant at Arms will be courteous and respectful to the members in his duties to maintain order at the General Business Meetings, but has the authority to remove member(s) if necessary.

Membership Accessories & Tracking Officer/Historian

This officer will be in charge of making club membership packets which will include a copy of the club by-laws and caravan rules. He/she will also be in charge of ordering name badges, club decals, flags and CB radios for members.

The officer will be in charge of sign up sheets for events, meetings, and road trips, and will track and maintain the attendance records, including member start dates for monthly and year end recognitions.

After dues are paid, the member(s) will receive a membership packet which will include a copy of the current club by-laws and caravan rules, website address, current club wear and CB radio options, as well as car window decals and name badge order form.

Webmaster

Responsibilities include taking photos at events for posting on the club's website and maintaining the website to provide public awareness of the club's calendar of events and activities to attract new members. Works closely with newsletter editor to maintain and update the club's "community wall" at the current sponsor's location (Findlay, BHC).

The webmaster also works directly with the publicity chairperson to include, update and maintain advertising/promotional information on the club website. The webmaster is to oversee and manage the use by club members of an "internal photo sharing program" which they can participate in and enjoy.

Newsletter Editor

Responsibilities include taking photos at events for posting on the club's Facebook page, and to share photos with the webmaster via a shared site. Publish an informative monthly, or quarterly club newsletter to summarize recent club activities preferably with pictures and articles, and to include an update of pertinent club business completed, and any and all participation in community events.

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Activities / Events Director

The activities director works with the Vice President and oversees formulating a “team” of members to help plan and execute monthly runs and events and oversees a “separate” road trip committee that plans longer caravans which include weekend, week long and more involved itineraries. The activities team works from a yearly forecast and planning calendar that is prepared by the activity’s committee to make it easier to execute the planned events and road trips for that year. The activities director is a member of the Board of Directors and attends both board and general meetings.

Quartermaster

Promotes club wear, and specialty items making them available at club meetings for members to purchase. The quartermaster and team members obtain catalogs from vendors, and shop for popular club wear options for members. The quartermaster is responsible for ordering and collection of monies for items ordered, and to have them available for the member(s) by the next general business meeting. Monies collected would be turned into the treasurer.

Vacant Positions

In the event that any of the above positions are not filled, the President shall assume, delegate, or combine those duties to other positions.

Sponsorship

The Board of Directors may elect to have sponsors.

- a. The sponsor may be a financial backer of the club
- b. The sponsor may be invited to club events and activities
- c. The sponsor may be sent a monthly newsletter

ARTICLE X

Section 1 Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the club shall be from January 1st to December 31st.

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ARTICLE XI

Section 1 – Personal Liability

All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with, or having any claim against the club or its' officers shall look only to the funds and property of the club for payment of such contract or claim for payment of any debt, damage, judgement or decree, or any other money that may otherwise become due or payable to them from the club, or the officers of the club, so that neither the members of the club, the officers, present or future, shall be held personally liable.

Section 2 – Club Liability

No club member shall “represent”, or “act on behalf” of the Colorado River Corvette Club in any form which includes but is not limited to: sending letters, writing or publishing reviews on social media, collecting information regarding club business, or creating an organization with other club members, without the written approval of the President and members of the Executive Board. Members who violate this rule will be immediately expelled from membership.

ARTICLE XII

Section 1 – Amendments to the Club Rules

The Executive Board, or any active member in good standing, by **written** proposals submitted to the Secretary, may propose an amendment to the club rules. Upon such a proposal being made, a copy thereof shall be included in the e-mail announcement of the next general meeting to all members.

If a simple majority of active members present constituting a quorum, and qualified to vote, vote in favor of the submitted written proposal at the meeting, the proposed amendment shall thereby be approved, dated and adapted. A notation will be written in the minutes and a copy will be kept by the secretary/club rules chairman in the record book/binder set aside for that purpose.

Membership Privacy and Confidentiality

The club remains sensitive to a **Members Right to Privacy**. In order to allow each member to exercise control of the content of their personal contact information on the club roster, each member shall provide the Membership Chairman written authorization as to the “specific information” to be included or excluded in the Roster and readily available to fellow club members.

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ARTICLE XIII

Section 1- Club Logo

The Colorado River Corvette Club logo consists of the Corvette C6 insignia and the three major cities participating, Bullhead City, Lake Havasu, and Kingman highlighted, however the insignia flag under the official logo can reflect the members Corvette generation, i.e. C1-C7. Changes to the "official" CRCC club logo above the flag would require a two-thirds vote of the membership in attendance at a general meeting.

The club Logo may be used on any apparel deemed proper by the Executive Board and by club membership to include hats, jackets, shirts, vests, or club flags. The "preferred" club jacket color is black, but is not enforced, with the large club logo on the back and smaller club logo on the left pocket.

ARTICLE XIV - Dissolution of the Corporation

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of its assets exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such a manner, or to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Laws, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent jurisdiction of the County in which the principle office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes, or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.