

CHERRYLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I -- NAME

Section 1. The name of this club shall be the CHERRYLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.

Change a) The name of this club shall be the CHERRYLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB and it shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Michigan.

ARTICLE II -- OBJECTIVES

Section 1. To promote personal acquaintance and friendly relations among its members.

Section 2. To promote greater knowledge of RADIO among its members.

Change a) To promote greater knowledge of Amateur Radio among its members and the general public.

Section 3. To take interest in all problems and matters concerning Amateur Radio involving any of its members, and to take such action as may be deemed advisable.

ARTICLE III -- MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any person having an active interest in Amateur Radio shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2. Applications for membership shall be received in writing by any member of the Board of Directors. Names of applicants shall be submitted to the Board of Directors at their next regular meeting. A majority of votes cast affirmatively and payment of dues shall qualify the applicant for membership. The names of members shall be announced at the next regular Club meeting.

Change a) Application for membership shall be received in writing by the Secretary and shall be read and voted upon at the next regular Club meeting.

Change b) Applicants for membership shall pay the current dues to the Treasurer and give such information as is required. The names shall be reviewed at the next Board meeting, and upon approval, shall be adjudged members in good standing for the class of membership requested.

Change c) Applications for membership be received by the Treasurer and upon payment of the appropriate dues shall be accepted.

Section 3. Resignations shall be made to the Corresponding Secretary, but will not be accepted until all indebtedness to the Club has been discharged.

Change a) Delete: "...but will not be accepted until all indebtedness to the Club has been discharged."

Section 4. Any member, for good cause shown, may be suspended or dropped from membership by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular meeting.

Section 5. Honorary membership may be conferred by the unanimous vote of the members. Honorary members shall pay no dues.

Change a) Add: "...vote of the members" at a regular Club meeting."

Section 6. Any member who has been dropped from membership for non-payment of dues may be reinstated upon payment of one year's dues in advance.

Change a) Delete.

Section 7. There shall be two classes of membership as follows:

A. Regular members-- who shall be licensed Amateur Radio operators.

B. Associate members -- persons interested in Amateur Radio, but not presently holding a license. Associate members may not hold elected office.

Change a) There shall be four classes of membership as follows:

Change b) Add: C. Family members -- Persons related to and living in the same household with a Regular or Associate member.

D. Student member -- Persons attending school below graduate level and whose principle occupation is being educated, even though employed part-time.

Change c) Add: C. Family members as in change b. Add: D. Student member -- persons attending school full-time below graduate level.

Change d) Add after membership classes: E. All classes of membership shall be entitled to one vote per member. However, only members holding a valid Amateur Radio licence shall be eligible to hold an elected office.

ARTICLE IV -- OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of the Club shall be President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer.

Change a) Delete: Corresponding Secretary.

Change b) Add: All officers and directors must hold a valid Amateur Radio license.

Section 2. The officers of the Club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present, provided there be a quorum. Such election shall be held at the September meeting.

Change a) The officers of the Club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present, provided there is a quorum as defined in the By-laws. Such election shall be held at the first meeting in September.

Change b) The officers of the Club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present at the first meeting in September provided there be a quorum as defined in the By-laws.

Section 3. There shall be a Board of Directors, consisting of the above-named officers (Section 1.) and two Directors. One director shall be elected each year and will serve a term of two years.

Change a) The officers elected and shown in Section 1 shall be the Club's Board of Directors.

Change b) There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the above-named officers (Section 1.) and three Directors. One Director shall be elected each year and will serve a term of two years. The retiring President shall automatically be a member of the Board of Directors for a period of one year, unless he is unable to serve or is re-elected as President. In either case, a director shall be elected to serve in his place.

Section 4. It shall be the purpose of the Board of Directors to conduct all business of the Club-- to approve payment of monies, elect members, review committee activities and all matters brought before it, thus relieving the regular Club activities of such matters. Upon request of 2 (or more) members of the Board, any matter may be referred to the Club membership for discussion and guidance. If the matter in question is properly voted upon, the action shall be binding on the Board.

Change a) Delete.

Change b) It shall be the purpose of the Board of Directors to conduct most business of the Club, thus relieving Club meetings of such activities as deemed reasonable. However, the Board must receive approval of the Club members, by a majority vote at any Club meeting, before spending any sum of money greater than one hundred dollars. Upon request of any Board member, any matter may be referred to the Club membership for discussion and guidance. Any matter properly voted upon by the Club members shall be binding upon the Board.

Section 5. The retiring President shall automatically be a member of the Board of Directors for a period of one year.

Change a) Delete and place with Section 3.

Section 6. No person may hold more than one elective office.

Change a) Add: ... and no person shall succeed herself or himself.

Section 7. Two-thirds members of the Board of Directors at a Board meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Change a) "Two-thirds" to "A majority of"...

Change b) "Two-thirds members" to "Five members of the"...

Section 8. Vacancies occurring among elected officials between elections must be filled by a special election at the next regular meeting of the club.

Change a) Vacancies occurring among elected officials shall be filled by an election at the next regular Club meeting.

Section 9. Elected officials (Officers of Directors) may be removed from office upon a proper vote of three-fourths of the total membership.

Change a) Elected officials may be removed from office by a vote of three-fourths of the membership either at a meeting or by signed petition.

ARTICLE V -- AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Club, provided due notice of such meeting is mailed to the members and that notice of proposal to make such amendment is given in the notice of such meeting, at least 5 days prior to such meeting.

CHEFFRYLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BY-LAWS

1. The order of business at all meetings shall be: A. Reading of minutes. B. Treasurer's Report. C. Committee Reports. D. Old Business. E. New Business. F. Special Reports.

Change a) The order of business at all Club meetings shall be determined by the presiding Club officer.

2. Dues shall be determined by the membership each year by a vote of those present at the annual September meeting.

Change a) The dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

3. Unless otherwise specified, all matters voted upon shall be considered passed by a majority vote. A quorum at regular Club meetings shall be 10 members, including officers.

Change a) ...A quorum shall be one-third of the current membership including officers.

4. Meeting dates shall be the third Wednesday of each month, September through June.

Change a) "third Wednesday" to "fourth Tuesday".

Change b) Dates of regular Club meetings shall be determined by a proper vote of the Club membership.

Change c) Meeting dates shall be determined by the Board of directors.

Change d) Meeting dates shall be determined by the members attending the annual September meeting.

5. Duties of the Officers shall be:

A. The President shall preside at all regular meetings and at Board of Director meetings, appoint or remove Committee Chairmen and in general be responsible for the conduct of Club affairs, activities and proper functioning of all officers and committees. If any officer, director or appointee shall fail to function adequately, the President shall be responsible to take appropriate action.

B. The Vice-President shall assume duties and authority of the President in the absence of the latter. In addition, he shall be primarily responsible for Club activities, programs, publicity and public relations. He may perform these duties personally or through properly appointed committees.

C. The Recording Secretary shall record proceedings, read minutes and advise the President of unfinished business to be acted upon.

Change a) Delete "Recording". Add: Conduct all correspondence, send out notices of meetings, and any special notices.

D. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct all correspondence, send out notices of meetings and any special notices.

Change a) Delete.

E. The Treasurer shall collect all monies, dues, make proper payments of bills, report same to the Board of Directors and maintain an up-to-date membership roster.

Change a) "Board of Directors" to "the Club members at each meeting".

Change b) Add: issue memberships.

Change c) Both changes a and b.

6. Committees may be appointed by the President as follows:

A. Sergeant at Arms--who shall maintain order at meetings and be custodian of Club properties.

B. Activities Chairman--who shall organize and direct Club activities such as Field Day, picnics, swap 'n shops, and similar activities. Meeting programs, however, shall be the responsibility of a program chairman.

C. Program Chairman--who shall be responsible for programs presented at the Club monthly meetings.

D. Publicity Chairman. E. Hospitality Chairman. F. Nominating Chairman. G. Historian. H. Telephone Chairman. I. Michigan Council of Clubs Representative. J. Membership Chairman. K. Publication Chairman.

Change a) Add: L. Any other chairmen.

Change b) The trustee of the Club repeater shall be chairman of the repeater committee and he shall select two members to serve on the committee who are not officers of the Club.

Change c) Committees may be appointed by the President as he deems appropriate.

7. By-laws may be changed by a majority vote of those present at a regular monthly meeting.

Change a) Add: without prior notification of the membership.

8. Dues are payable in September. Members failing to pay dues within 60 days shall be warned by the Treasurer. If dues are not paid in an additional 30 days, the member shall be dropped from membership.

Change a) Add: If a member's dues are not paid by January 1 of the following year, he shall be considered to be a non-member and shall cease to receive Club privileges.

Change b) Dues are payable in September. Members who's dues are not paid by the following January 1 shall be dropped from membership.

Change c) Dues are payable in September. There shall be a Family Membership such as husband and wife, father and son, etc. and each family shall pay one full membership plus one dollar for each additional member. The Family shall receive only one copy of Cherry Juice. If the Family lives under separate roofs at separate addresses they shall not be entitled to a Family Membership.

9. The Board of Directors meetings shall be held monthly, at least one week prior to the regular Club meetings at a time and place to be chosen by the Board of Directors.

Change a) The Board of Directors shall hold meetings as they deem necessary. Any Club member may attend such meetings.

Change b) Delete and substitute with: If the Club membership attending meetings shall dwindle to three then after three months of attempting to revive the Club, the Treasurer shall be obligated to liquidate all assets of the Club in to cash and said cash must be donated to the Salvation Army in memory of the Club.

CARC CONSTITUTION: Printed above is the current CARC Constitution along with some proposed amendments. If you have any other suggestions that you feel would be worth voting upon, submit them to me in time for publishing in the January Cherry Juice (by January 15). At the January meeting the amendments will be considered and voted upon.

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