

# CLARK COUNTY RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

Located near Vancouver, Washington



## CCRCS BYLAWS

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National Academy of Model Aeronautics Charter Club Number: 1759  
Washington State Non-Revenue Business Number 601 793 330  
Incorporated April, 1981

## **1. ARTICLE I: NAME**

1.1. The name of this organization shall be the Clark County Radio Control Society (CCRCS), ), a Chartered Club of the National Academy of Model Aeronautics (#1759); hereafter called "the club" or "club"

## **2. ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

2.1. The purpose of the club shall be to educate, aid, assist, and encourage the building, operation, and enjoyment of radio controlled model aircraft.

2.2. The club shall support the national Academy of Model Aeronautics (hereafter called "AMA") by being a chartered AMA club and abiding by all AMA applicable rules and regulations.

## **3. ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP RULES AND QUALIFICATIONS**

3.1. Every member must hold a current and valid AMA membership and present proof of that membership upon request of any other club member.

3.2. Membership expires at the end of December each year. Members in good standing from the previous year are extended a grace period until the end of February to renew their membership. The January through February grace period only applies to flying and does NOT extend to voting.

3.3. Membership in the club is open to any person interested in the design, construction, and/or flying of radio controlled model aircraft regardless of gender, race, color, religion, or sexual orientation.

3.4. Every member in good standing will be afforded all the benefits and privileges of the club.

3.5. New or renewed membership forms will be kept on file with the Secretary.

3.6. All members shall have read and shall comply with these bylaws.

3.7. Honorary memberships

3.7.1. Honorary life memberships are bestowed upon non flying individuals who have made a significant and profound impact on the club.

3.7.2. Honorary life memberships are not required to have AMA membership.

3.7.3. Honorary life memberships must be approved by a 75% majority of members present at any regularly scheduled meeting and the members have been given 30 days prior notice of the vote.

## **4. ARTICLE IV: DUES / ASSEMENTS**

4.1. All new members will be assessed an initiation fee at the time of joining the club.

4.1.1. New members shall be defined as any new member or any previous member who has not paid full dues for at least two previously consecutive membership years.

4.2. All fees and yearly dues are non-refundable.

4.2.1. All members shall pay yearly dues.

4.2.1.1. Current club officers, as well as the appointed positions; The Contest Director (CD), The Safety Officer (SO), The Public Relations Officer (PR), The Club Training Officer and the Raffle Director (RD) will not be required to pay the current year dues.

4.3. Dues shall be determined by a majority vote of members present at any regularly scheduled meeting, and the members have been given 30 days prior notice that a vote will be held at that meeting along with an explanation of the proposal for the change in dues.

4.4. Youth members (under age 18), shall pay \$1.00 in yearly fees.

4.5. Assessments for funding may be levied on the total membership when found necessary by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the members present at a regularly scheduled meeting, and the members have been given 30 days prior notice that an assessment vote will be held at that meeting along with an explanation of the assessment.

## **5. ARTICLE V: RESIGNATION, TERMINATION, EXPULSION AND REINSTATEMENT**

### **5.1. RESIGNATION**

5.1.1. Any member may resign his/her membership by giving written notice to the club.

### **5.2. TERMINATION**

5.2.1. If any member ceases to have the qualification necessary for membership in the AMA, his/her membership in the Club shall thereby terminate, subject to reinstatement upon restoration of eligibility.

### **5.3. EXPULSION**

5.3.1. This section provides guidance for enforcement of the Flying Site Safety Rules and management of and the general rules of conduct as described in Section 10.

5.3.2. The Executive Board, by majority vote, shall have the authority to revoke membership in the club or impose the loss of flying privileges at any club flying site if a member violates the flying site rules, rules of conduct or membership rules. Before the Executive Board can revoke a membership the offending member must be given a written warning that outlines the offending behavior and further state that failure to correct the behavior could result in revocation of membership.

5.3.3. The Executive Board may immediately revoke membership under exigent circumstances due to especially egregious behavior by the member. This expulsion must be by unanimous vote of the board

### **5.4. REINSTATEMENT**

5.4.1. An expelled member may petition the club for reinstatement in writing.

5.4.2. A two-thirds vote of the total membership is required for reinstatement to the club.

5.4.3. Voting shall be done in the same manner as by-law changes.

5.4.4. Any person whose membership has been previously revoked shall be considered a new member.

## **6. ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS**

### **6.1. OFFICERS**

6.1.1. The officers of the club shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

### **6.2. TERM OF OFFICE**

6.2.1. The term of office will be one year beginning with the February meeting and ending at the beginning of the following year's February meeting.

### **6.3. DUTIES**

6.3.1. The President:

6.3.1.1. The President shall preside at meetings, preserve order, enforce the bylaws and appoint other officers. The President shall be a signatory on the club bank account. The President, or their designee, shall conduct an audit of the club bank account yearly.

6.3.2. The Vice-President:

6.3.2.1. The Vice-President shall preside at meetings, preserve order and enforce the bylaws in the absence of the President. The Vice President may be a signatory on the club bank account.

6.3.3. The Treasurer:

6.3.3.1. The Treasurer shall receive all monies due the club and regularly deposit said monies in the club bank account. They will also keep an accurate record of all financial dealings of the club and shall present an itemized report (Bank Statement) and each regular club meeting which, when accepted, shall be included in the minutes. The Treasurer shall be a signatory on the club bank account.

6.3.4. The Secretary:

6.3.4.1. The Secretary shall record the proceedings of all meetings; all meeting minutes will include a list of attendees. In the event the Secretary is not able to attend an official meeting the Secretary shall be responsible for finding a designee. They will conduct the correspondence of the club and shall retain a copy of all correspondence received by the club. The Secretary shall also maintain an official roster of current club members that includes a minimum of Name, AMA number, mailing address, and phone number. The Secretary may be a signatory on the club bank account.

#### 6.4. APPOINTED OFFICERS

6.4.1. The club shall have the opportunity to appoint special officers to govern aspects of the club operations. Some such officers are: The Contest Director (CD), the Safety Officer (SO), the Public Relations Officer (PR), the Club Training Officer (CTO), the Raffle Director (RD), Newsletter Editor and Webmaster.

6.4.1.1. Contest Director (CD)

6.4.1.1.1. The Contest Director is responsible for coordinating contests fun fly's and fly –in's for the club membership.

6.4.1.2. Safety Officer (SO)

6.4.1.2.1. The Safety Officer is responsible for coordinating the safety of the members and guests at the flying field.

6.4.1.3. Public Relations Officer (PRO)

6.4.1.4. The Public Relations Officer is responsible for coordinating information that is released to the media.

6.4.1.5. Club Training Officer (CTO)

6.4.1.5.1. The Club Training Officer is responsible for coordinating the training of new members.

6.4.1.6. Raffle Director (RD)

6.4.1.6.1. The Raffle Director is responsible for coordinating raffle prizes during the meetings and any other club events.

6.4.1.7. Newsletter Editor

6.4.1.7.1. The Newsletter Editor is responsible for coordinating and publishing the newsletter.

6.4.1.8. Webmaster

6.4.1.8.1. The Webmaster is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the clubs website

6.4.2. The president may appoint other officers, as he or she sees fit, or as the need arises, to conduct normal club business.

6.4.3. Appointed officers shall be approved by, and then become part of, the Executive Board.

#### 6.5. VACANCIES

6.5.1. Officer vacancies are to be filled by vote of the remaining officers

## 6.6. EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 6.6.1. The purpose of the Executive Board shall be to recommend actions to the General membership, plan activities and other duties as directed by the president.
- 6.6.2. The Executive Board shall consist of the current year's Officers, the current years appointed officers and the officers who held office the previous year.
- 6.6.3. The President shall act as Chairman of the Executive Board.
- 6.6.4. The Executive Board shall meet at least once a year.
- 6.6.5. Any club member may attend and participate in Executive Board meetings

## 7. **ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS**

### 7.1. REGULAR MEETINGS

- 7.1.1. The club will hold regular monthly meetings throughout the year.
- 7.1.2. Regular meetings are open to all members, their guests, and the general public.
- 7.1.3. The president shall publish an agenda prior to the scheduled meeting.
- 7.1.4. Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all questions of procedures not otherwise covered in these bylaws.

### 7.2. SPECIAL MEETINGS

- 7.2.1. The club can hold a special meeting at the request of any club officer.

## 8. **ARTICLE VIII: NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS, AND RECALLS**

### 8.1. NOMINATIONS

- 8.1.1. Nominations for Club officers shall be submitted during the November meeting. Nominations for officer position can be from the floor or before the meeting by E-Mail or regular mail.

### 8.2. ELECTION GUIDELINES

- 8.2.1. Elections are held during the January meeting. Only current members are eligible to participate in the elections.
- 8.2.2. The complete slate of candidates shall be published in the November issue of the newsletter or meeting minutes. A ballot, with a voter signature block, shall be provided to each club member.
- 8.2.3. Officers are elected by a simple majority.
- 8.2.4. Ballots will be counted at the January meeting with the results being published in the January issue of the newsletter or meeting minutes.
- 8.2.5. Ballots may be returned by email to any officer or brought in person to the January meeting.
- 8.2.6. New officers shall be installed at the February Meeting.
- 8.2.7. Any officer may be recalled by a vote of the majority of the whole membership. The membership shall be notified, in writing, of the time and place of any recall vote at least 30 days prior to the vote

## 9. **ARTICLE IX: Flying Site(s)**

- 9.1. CCRCS shall maintain a site, or sites, for the use by members and their guests for the purpose of flying radio controlled model aircraft.

## **10. ARTICLE X – RULES OF CONDUCT**

- 10.1. All club members will support and abide by these Bylaws as approved and published, and will conform to the associated CCRCS “Field Safety Rules and Regulations,” as published in separate documentation.
- 10.2. All club members and all guests shall comply with the AMA Safety Code, and all local State and Federal laws that apply.
- 10.3. All members and guests shall conduct themselves in a courteous, respectful, and sportsman like manner.
- 10.4. All guests shall abide by the CCRCS “Field Safety Rules and Regulations,” as posted at the field.

## **11. ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENT OF THESE BYLAWS**

- 11.1. PROPOSED
  - 11.1.1. When proposed changes to club Bylaws are finalized, the club will mail a draft copy to all members along with a ballot, with a voter signature block at least 45 days prior to the vote.
- 11.2. APPROVAL
  - 11.2.1. Bylaws may be changed by the affirmative vote of 50.1% of currently registered club members voting by ballot (current as of the vote).
- 11.3. VOTING
  - 11.3.1. Final approval of proposed bylaw changes will be authorized by the total votes collected at the meeting of members in attendance and adding the mail-in ballots of members not in attendance
    - 11.3.1.1. Ballots must be postmarked and received prior to the meeting

## **12. ARTICLE XII: VESTED AUTHORITY**

- 12.1. Other than the current club officers, no individual or group may speak or represent the club except as designated by the club in the course of an official club event. No individual or group, including the club officers, may commit the club in any way to some action or official club position with other individuals or organizations without prior membership approval or authorization.

## **13. ARTICLE XIII: DISSOLUTION**

- 13.1. The club may be dissolved with the approval of two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the total membership.
- 13.2. Upon dissolution of the club, after payment of any and all liabilities of the club, all of the assets of the club shall be disposed of to one or more organizations that are exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501©(3) or (7) of the Internal Revenue Code as determined by the Executive Board.