

CONSTITUTION

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ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this club shall be the Champaign County Radio Control Club.

ARTICLE II

Object

(Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

This is an Illinois not-for-profit organization. Its purpose shall be to practice, encourage, develop and study radio and electronic control for model or experimental model aircraft. The object is to do everything necessary, suitable and proper for the accomplishment of that purpose; either alone or in association with other groups, firms or individuals. The association is to do every other act or acts pertaining to or growing out of or connected with the aforesaid, provided the same not be inconsistent with the laws under which this corporation is organized.

ARTICLE III

Membership

(Amended 05/15/1985, 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Membership shall be of six classes: 1-Senior, 2-Junior, 3-Student, 4-Family, 5-Life, and 6-Regional.

ARTICLE IV

Elections

Sec. 1 (Amended 04/23/1989)

The elected officers of this club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These current and previous year's officers shall constitute the Executive Board, herein after referred to as the "Board". In the event the Board consists of less than 8 members, the President may appoint the vacant seats.

Sec. 2 (Amended 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006)

The Nominating Committee shall be appointed in July, and that committee shall submit a slate of officer-nominees at the business meeting in August.

Sec. 3 (Amended 11/11/1991 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

The officers shall be elected by Secret ballot at the annual meeting. There shall also be an "Absentee Ballot" available for those members unable to attend the annual meeting. This absentee ballot can be obtained from the Nominating Committee and returned to same committee prior to, or at the annual meeting. The officers so elected by "Absentee" and "Secret" ballot at the annual meeting shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

If only one nominee per office is available, the nominee can be elected to office by acclamation of the President upon approval of members present at the business meeting.

Sec. 4

New officers and board members shall take office at the first regular business meeting following the election.

#### ARTICLE V Annual Meeting

Sec. 1 (Amended 07/10/2006)

The annual meeting shall be the business meeting in September. In case this is prevented by unusual circumstances, it may be a special meeting held during the month.

Sec. 2 (Amended 11/14/2016)

Nominees shall be adult members in good standing of the organization. Non-voting members cannot be club officers.

Sec. 4 (Amended 07/10/1989, 02/14/1994)

The term of office shall be one year. No member shall hold more than one office at a time, nor shall the President or Vice President hold the same office more than two consecutive terms. There shall be no limit on the number of consecutive terms for offices of Secretary and Treasurer.

#### ARTICLE VI Amendments

(Amended 04/23/1989, 11/14/2016)

This constitution may be amended at any regularly scheduled or special meeting called for that purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those present, provided that: All proposals for amendments are submitted at a previous meeting in writing, and notice of intent to amend is provided to all members via email, prior to the meeting at which the vote will be taken.

BY-LAWS  
ARTICLE I  
Membership

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Candidates for membership shall be judged by the following standards: Good character, interest in participating in radio control activities, and the desire for further knowledge of, contribution to radio and electronic control. It is the member's responsibility to provide current contact information to the club.

Sec. 2 (Amended 05/16/1960, 06/28/1968, 01/01/1981, 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Membership application shall be approved by the officers and upon payment of dues for the current year in advance, a candidate may be admitted to membership. (See Article VIII)

Sec. 3 (Amended 11/14/2016)

All members and their modeling equipment shall meet the minimum Academy of Model Aeronautics safety requirements. All members must follow all applicable FAA rules and identification of aircraft.

Sec. 4 (Amended 11/14/2016)

Any person who is not a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics in good standing shall not be eligible for membership in this organization.

Sec. 5 (Added 02/14/1994)

All members are expected to do their fair share in maintaining, improving and managing of the club.

Sec. 6 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Senior Membership is defined as age 18 and over.

Sec. 7 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Junior Member is defined as under age 18 – non-voting member.

Any applicant under the age of eighteen must have written consent of a parent or guardian to join the club.

Sec. 8 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Student Member is defined as over age 18 attending school full time – non-voting member.

Sec. 9 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Family member is defined as Senior member, spouse, and children under 18 living at the residence of the senior member.)

Sec. 10 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Life Membership may be bestowed upon an active member, by the membership, for outstanding contributions to the club. A member with 25 years of membership shall automatically become a Life member. Such members shall abide by all club rules and regulations with the exception of paying dues.

Sec. 11 (Added 07/08/2013)

Regional Member – (Non-Voting Membership - for members of neighboring clubs offering Regional Memberships. Proof of current membership in a neighboring club offering Regional Memberships and AMA membership is required.)

## ARTICLE II

### Meetings

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006)

Regular business meetings shall be held on the second Monday of each month. Social meetings shall be held on the fourth Monday of each month.

Sec. 2 (Amended 07/10/2006)

Time and place shall be determined by the membership.

Sec. 3

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the President or the Secretary, at the request of three members of the club.

## ARTICLE III

### Duties of Officers

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994)

The duties of the President shall be: To call the meeting to order at the appointed time, to preside at all meetings if possible, to announce the business in its proper order, to state all questions and put them to a vote, to announce the result of every vote and the next business in order, to be impartial in assigning the floor, to protect the rights of each member, appoint the Nominating Committee, and fill vacancies on the Board.

Sec. 2 (Amended 04/23/1989, 02/14/1994)

The duties of the Vice-President shall be to preside at regular and Board meetings in the absence of the President and to work with the President on such internal affairs of the organization as membership, finance and public relations. He shall also work on external affairs including projects and committee work. He shall keep the membership informed of club activities through the preparation and distribution of monthly newsletters and periodic club rosters, and may delegate editing and publishing.

Sec. 3 (Amended 04/23/1989, 02/14/1994)

The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a permanent and complete record of the minutes of regular business and board meetings, to be responsible for all records of the organization, and to handle all correspondence as directed by the President and the Board. He will also see to the annual renewal of the State not-for-profit filing and AMA renewal.

Sec. 4 (Amended 04/23/1989, 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006)

The duties of the Treasurer shall be to keep the books of the organization, to disburse funds at the direction of the board and the membership, and to report in detail the financial status of the organization at every business meeting. He shall provide an annual financial report at the first meeting in October, prior to the new officers taking office, and shall at that time, have the books up to date and independently audited, in readiness for the new term.

#### ARTICLE IV Executive Board

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

The Board shall attend to the affairs of the club. But the acts of the Board shall not conflict with actions taken by the club.

Sec. 2 (Amended 11/14/2016)

Regular meetings of the Board may be held as needed just prior to each meeting of the club, for conference with committee heads and for other business which may arise. Special meetings may be called by the President if he deems it necessary or by the President at the request of three members.

Sec. 3 (Amended 11/14/2016)

A simple majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 4

When a member of the board tenders their resignation, it shall be accepted immediately.

Sec. 5

The Board shall have control and management of the club property and management of the organization subject to the will of the membership.

#### ARTICLE V Committees

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994)

Committee chairmen, vice-chairmen and members of the committees for all activities shall be appointed by the President.

Sec. 2 (Amended 02/14/1994)

The President and/or Vice-President shall be ex-officio members of all committees.

#### ARTICLE VI Delegations

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994)

Delegations or special committees shall be appointed by the President, subject to the approval of members present, to represent the club at any convention, meeting or assembly as may be deemed necessary.

Sec. 2 (Amended 02/14/1994)

Such delegations or committees shall exercise only those powers specifically vested in them by the members present.

ARTICLE VII

Government

Sec. 1 (Amended 08/10/1992, 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006, 11/14/2016)

Funds of the organization shall be placed in appropriate account(s) in local bank or banks. Funds may be withdrawn by either the President or Treasurer subject to the following limitations: In the case of the need for a disbursement of more than \$1,000.00 for any single expenditure, the proposed expenditure shall be presented at one meeting but may not be voted on until the next business meeting. Should an emergency expenditure be required a simple majority of the board can approve said expenditure.

Sec. 2 (Amended 04/23/1989, 02/14/1994)

Vacancies in an elected office of the board shall be filled by vote of the membership. Vacancies in non-elected offices of the Board shall be appointed by the President, such appointees to serve for the duration of the term of the individual being replaced or until the next regular election.

ARTICLE VIII

Dues

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Dues shall be prorated to July 1<sup>st</sup> for some new members.

Senior (18 and over, \$75.00/year)

After October 1<sup>st</sup> - \$56.25

After January 1<sup>st</sup> - \$37.50

After April 1<sup>st</sup> - \$18.75

Junior (under 18 by July 1<sup>st</sup>, \$37.50/year. Not prorated)

Student (over 18, attending school full-time, \$37.50/year. Not prorated)

Family (Senior member, spouse, children under age 18, \$100/year)

After October 1<sup>st</sup> - \$75.00

After January 1<sup>st</sup> - \$50.00

After April 1<sup>st</sup> - \$25.00

Regional (\$37.50/year. Not prorated)

Sec. 2 (Amended 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006, 11/14/2016)

Senior memberships:

Shall pay the amount of Seventy-five dollars (\$75) per fiscal year, shall be paid by each senior member, in full on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> each fiscal year.

Sec. 3 (Amended 04/22/1991, 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006, 11/14/2016)

Junior Membership:

Shall pay the amount of Thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50) per fiscal year, shall be paid by each junior member, in full on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> each fiscal year.

Sec. 4 (Amended 02/14/1994, 11/14/2016)

Student Member:

Shall pay the amount of Thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50) per fiscal year, in full on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> each fiscal year.

Sec. 5 (Amended 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006, 11/14/2016)

Family Membership:

(Senior member, spouse, children, living at the residence of the Senior member) Shall pay the amount of One hundred dollars (\$100) per fiscal year, shall be paid for each family membership, in full on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> each fiscal year.

Sec. 6 (Amended 02/14/1994, 07/10/2006, 11/14/2016)

Life Membership:

Any member with Twenty-five (25) years accumulated membership with CCRCC shall become a LIFE MEMBER. They shall enjoy all rights of CCRCC senior membership without payment of dues.

Sec. 7 (Added 07/08/2013, 11/14/2016)

Regional Membership:

Non-Voting Membership – Shall pay the amount of Thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50) per fiscal year shall be paid for each Regional Membership in full on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> of each fiscal year. Proof of current membership in a neighboring club offering Regional Memberships and AMA membership is required.

## ARTICLE IX Delinquent Dues

Sec. 1 (Amended 02/14/1994)

Any current member who allows their dues to become delinquent for thirty (30) days past the fiscal year due date of July 1<sup>st</sup>, shall lose all rights and privileges of membership in CCRCC.

Sec. 2 (Amended 02/14/1994)

Reinstatement:

A member can be reinstated after re-application and acceptance for membership and shall pay full year's dues (non-prorated).

Sec. 3 (Amended 02/14/1994)

Leave of absence:

If a member is called away for employment or any other justifiable reason, they may notify CCRCC of the upcoming absence. The member will be reinstated upon payment of prorated dues for current year.

ARTICLE X  
Rules of Order

The proceedings of this organization shall be carried out according to Roberts' RULES OF ORDER.

ARTICLE XI  
Amendment to By-Laws

(Amended 04/23/1989, 07/10/2006, 11/14/2016)

These by-laws may be amended at any regularly scheduled business or special meeting called for that purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those present. Provided that: All proposals for amendments are submitted at a previous business meeting in writing, and notice of intent to amend is provided to all members via email, prior to the meeting at which the vote will be taken.