

BAREFOOT SAILING CLUB

OFFICIAL BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I -- NAME

The name of the corporation is "BAREFOOT SAILING CLUB, INC."

ARTICLE II – OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The address of the registered office of the corporation is:

P.O. Box 147, Flowery Branch, GA 30542

ARTICLE III – DEFINITIONS

A “business member” is a member who is not a natural person. A business member may select one owner, officer, or director who shall have the privileges of an individual member except the right to vote or hold office.

A “family member” is a membership unit consisting of two or more natural persons who are related by blood or marriage, and who reside in the same household. The unit is entitled to only one vote.

An “individual member” is a member who is a natural person.

A member in good standing is a member whose dues are current and who is not under disciplinary sanction.

The Past Commodore is the person who was most recently the Commodore until the election of a new Commodore by the membership.

ARTICLE IV – PURPOSE

This shall be a not-for-profit corporation, and no part of its income or profit of the corporation shall be distributed to its members, directors, or officers. The corporation is organized for the purpose of promoting personal contact, co-mingling, and fellowship among its members through social activities, boating, and water sports of all kinds; to provide for the sharing of the expertise and resources of the membership with one another regarding such matters as boat purchase, repair, and maintenance; to arrange for chartering and cruising events; to sponsor competition among its members of boating, sailing, and other water sports; to provide educational and training experiences regarding sailing and maritime activities; to promote and support amateur competition in sailing events; and to carry on other activities for the welfare, benefit, pleasure and recreation of its members as may be authorized by its Board of Directors. These purposes shall be carried out in the spirit of friendship, community, enjoyment, and pleasure of the members and bona fide guests.

ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP AND GUESTS

Section 1. Persons wishing to become members of this corporation shall submit an application upon a form prescribed by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall review all applications and either accept or reject the applicant.

Section 2. Membership may be as an individual, business or family unit as defined in Article III.

Section 3. Persons under 18 years of age who wish to become members with full voting rights, must submit a written request signed by a parent. The request shall be accepted or rejected in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.

Section 4. Non-members may attend club events as guests, and shall be registered in a manner to be prescribed by the Board.

Section 5. All new members will be provided with an electronic or hard copy of the By-laws within 30 days of the payment of their initial dues.

ARTICLE VI – VOTING

Section 1. Voting at meetings of the membership shall be limited to members in good standing. Each individual member in good standing is entitled to one (1) vote and a family member in good standing is entitled to one (1) vote.

Section 2. Voting at Board of Directors' meetings shall be limited to the elected and appointed officers of the club.

Section 2. Voting by email shall constitute a valid vote, per the above conditions, subject to the additional conditions:

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Vote by membership is received by the Yeoman at the email address of the Yeoman on the Barefoot Home Page no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting at which the vote is to take place.

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Vote by Officers on issues brought before the Board of Directors is received by the Yeoman at the email address of the Yeoman on the Barefoot Home Page no later than 72 hours prior to the Board of Directors meeting at which the vote is to take place.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Only members in good standing shall be eligible to hold office. A member in good standing may hold multiple offices concurrently, subject to the rules and regulations outlined in these By-laws.

Section 2. The elected officers of this Club shall be the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Racing Fleet Captain, Cruising Fleet Captain, Social Captain, Purser, Yeoman, Boatswain, and Membership Captain. The Past Commodore will be an un-elected officer of this Club.

Section 3. There shall be a Nominating Committee which shall consist of a Chairman and two members selected in accordance with Article XIV.

ARTICLE VIII - DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Commodore shall preside at all meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors. In the event of the resignation of any officer, the Commodore shall appoint an officer Pro-Tem to serve until a successor is elected by the Board of Directors. The Commodore is empowered to execute contracts on behalf of the Club, subject to the prior approval of two-thirds of the Officers of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The Vice Commodore shall aid the Commodore in the pursuit of his office; shall serve as Commodore in the absence of the Commodore; in the event that the Commodore resigns or is unable to continue to fulfill their duties as Commodore, the Vice Commodore shall serve as Commodore for the remaining duration of the Commodore's term of office.

The Vice Commodore will be responsible for nominating a Barefoot Open Committee Chair. This Chair will be presented to the Board of Directors for their approval. The Vice Commodore

may nominate themselves as the Barefoot Open Committee Chair.

The Vice Commodore will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committee. The Vice Commodore will define and coordinate the activities of this committee as well as designate the Chairperson of this Committee:

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Member Training Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Definition of Training Programs, aimed at racers and cruisers, to be made available to the Club's members

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Define an annual budget for the Training Programs

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Submit the proposed annual budget for Training Programs to the Yeoman prior to the March Officer's meeting

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Execution of Training Programs.

Section 3. The Cruising Fleet Captain shall be in charge of all on-the-water cruising activities of the Club, including establishment of the annual cruising calendar, selection of Primary Cruise Officers (PCOs) for all cruises, and submittal of a budget to the Officers of the Club for Cruising events for the entire year by the February Officer's meeting. The Cruising Fleet Captain shall make recommendations to the elected officers of the club for a budget for Cruising trophies, as well as the styles of trophies. The elected officers will make the final decisions regarding the budget and styles of Cruising trophies awarded for all Barefoot sponsored events.

The Cruising Fleet Captain will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committees. The Cruising Fleet Captain will define and coordinate the activities of these committees as well as designate the Chairperson of each Committee:

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Cruising Trophies Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Recommendation of a budget for Cruising trophies

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Presentation of the proposed annual budget for Cruising trophies to the Yeoman prior to the March Officer's meeting

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Proposing designs for Cruising trophies to the Officers for approval

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Procurement of Cruising trophies, per the approved motions of the Officers

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Distribution of Cruising trophies at Club functions

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Primary Cruising Officer Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Solicitation of people to server as Primary Cruise Officer (PCO) for all Club-sponsored races (except those related to the Annual Club-sponsored Regatta)

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Ensuring that all PCOs are properly trained in the execution of their duties as PCO

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Cruising Calendar Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Working with Club personnel and other Sailing Clubs to define a calendar of Cruising Events for the upcoming year

Present this Calendar of Cruising Events to the Officers for approval.

Section 4. The Racing Fleet Captain shall be in charge of all on-the-water racing activities of the Club, including establishment of the annual racing calendar, selection of Primary Race Officers (PROs) for all races, submittal of a budget to the Officers of the Club for all scheduled racing events and trophies for the entire year by the February Officer's meeting, and the documentation and communication of all Notices of Race. The Racing Fleet Captain shall be responsible for recommendations to the Officers of the club for a budget for Racing trophies, as well as the styles of trophies. The Officers will make the final decisions regarding the budget and styles of Racing trophies awarded for all Barefoot sponsored racing events.

The Racing Fleet Captain will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committees. The Racing Fleet Captain will define and coordinate the activities of these committees as well as designate the Chairperson of each Committee:

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Racing Trophies Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Recommendation of a budget for racing trophies

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Presentation of the proposed annual budget for racing trophies to the Yeoman prior to the March Officer's meeting

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Proposing designs for trophies to the Officers for approval

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Procurement of trophies, per the approved motions of the Officers

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Distribution of trophies at Club functions

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Primary Race Officer Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Solicitation of people to server as Primary Race Officer (PRO) for all Club-sponsored races (except those related to the Annual Club-sponsored Regatta)

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Ensuring that all PROs are properly trained in the execution of their duties as PRO

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Racing Calendar Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Working with Club personnel and other Sailing Clubs to define a calendar of Racing Events for the upcoming year

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Present this Calendar of Racing Events to the Officers for approval

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PHRF/Regional Sailing Clubs Liaison Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Serve as liaison to the Lake Lanier PHRF committee

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Serve as liaison to DIYRA and other regional sailing clubs, as appropriate.

Section 5. The Boatswain shall be responsible for maintenance of Club equipment, including any boat(s) owned by the Club. The Boatswain shall define an annual proposed budget for maintenance of the Club's assets and present it to the Yeoman no later than the March Officer's meeting.

Section 6. The Social Captain (formerly First Fleet Captain) shall be responsible for planning and coordinating all social functions of the Club. Such functions will include both on-the-water and off-the-water social activities of the Club. The Social Captain will be responsible for the establishment of the annual social calendar and submittal of a budget to the Officers of the Club for social events for the entire year by the February Officer's meeting. The Social Captain shall also be responsible for coordinating programs for Monthly Meetings of the membership

The Social Captain will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committees. The Social Captain will define and coordinate the activities of these committees as well as designate the Chairperson of each Committee:

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Post-race Parties Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Planning, coordinating, and providing for parties after all Club-sponsored races

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Preparing and recommending a budget to the Officers for post-race parties throughout the year

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Social Activities Committee , that will be responsible for the following:

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Preparing a Calendar for all Social activities, not related to racing or cruising

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Planning, coordinating, and providing for parties, not related to racing or cruising

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Preparing and recommending a budget to the Officers for parties, not related to racing or cruising

Section 7. The Membership Captain shall be in charge of all membership activities, and will act as Membership Chairperson at the monthly membership and officer meetings. The Membership Captain will be responsible for developing and executing programs for membership recruitment, membership retention, welcoming of new members to the Club, and preparation and submittal of a budget to the Yeoman prior to the March Officer's meeting. The Membership Captain shall also be in charge of all training activities of the Club. The Membership Captain shall have the Video Librarian reporting to them.

The Membership Captain will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committees. The Membership Captain will define and coordinate the activities of these committees as well as designate the Chairperson of each Committee:

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Phone Tree Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Establishment of a group of volunteers to call the members of the Club regarding upcoming events

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Calling all members of the Club to remind them of upcoming events

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Roster Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Maintenance of the Club Roster throughout the year

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Communication with the Purser, to conduct the business of the Club

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Preparation and distribution of a hard-copy Roster to all Member of the Club, no later than April 30 of each year

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Welcoming Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Welcoming guests and members to each club function

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Recording the attendance of members and guests at each such Club function

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Ensuring that each new member is introduced to their "mentor" in the club; "mentor" will be an individual(s) who will be responsible for inviting this new member to participate in appropriate events throughout the new member's first year.

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Following up with "mentors" to ensure they are following up with the new members

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Programs Committee , that will be responsible for the following:

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Definition and execution of Membership recruitment and retention programs

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Presentation of such Programs to the Club's Officers for approval, as appropriate

Section 8. The Purser shall handle all financial matters for the Club and shall keep appropriate records of all funds and expenditures. The Purser shall maintain a bank account on which funds may be drawn over his signature, or that of the Commodore or an alternate appointed by the Commodore with the approval of the Board of Directors.

The Purser will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committees. The Purser will define and coordinate the activities of these committees as well as designate the Chairperson of each Committee:

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Budget Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Receive Officer Budgets from each of the Officers required to produce one and create a single, integrated budget

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Creation of a budget for the Club, based on the budgets submitted by each of the Officers of the Club's

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Submittal of a proposed Annual Budget for the Club to the Officers no later than the April Board Meeting

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Maintaining the budget throughout the year

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Recording all expenses and income transactions against the Club's budget.

Section 9. The Yeoman shall maintain a complete record of the activities of the Club, and shall be responsible for all internal and external communications of the Club, including notices of meetings and events. The Yeoman shall record and distribute the official minutes of Officer's meetings, regular Monthly Membership Meetings, and all other meetings at which official Club business is transacted. The Yeoman shall also be responsible for maintenance of the Club's

Roster and preparation/distribution of the Club's Monthly Newsletter.

The Yeoman will be supported, at their discretion, by the following Committees. The Yeoman will define and coordinate the activities of these committees as well as designate the Chairperson of each Committee:

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Roster Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Maintenance of the Club Roster throughout the year

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Communication with the Purser, to conduct the business of the Club

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Preparation and distribution of a hard-copy Roster to all Member of the Club, no later than April 30 of each year

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Newsletter Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Preparation and distribution, both via mail and electronically, of the Monthly Newsletter of the Club

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Define an annual budget for production and distribution of the Monthly Newsletter of the Club

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Provide the proposed annual budget for the Monthly Newsletter to the Yeoman prior to the March Officer's meeting

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Club Historian Committee, that will be responsible for the following:

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Maintain all of the historical records of the Club

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Communicate historical records to the members of the Club, as appropriate

Section 10. The Past Commodore shall provide counsel, as requested to the Officers of the Club. The Past Commodore will serve as the Commodore in the absence of both the Commodore and the Vice-Commodore. The Past Commodore will serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

ARTICLE IX – DIRECTORS

Section 1. There shall be a Board of Directors which shall consist of the elected officers and the Past Commodore.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall:

(a) Have charge of the policies, management and finances of the Club;

(b) Be vested with and have custody of all real and personal property and other assets of this Club;

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Make and execute contracts and authorize expenditures for the Club, provided that the liability of the Club shall not exceed a sum equal to the amount of money which shall then be in the Treasury and which shall then not be needed for payment of prior liabilities;

(d) Enforce the authority given under these By-Laws and take any action necessary to promote the best interests of this Club;

(e) Have jurisdiction over all disciplinary action;

(f) Designate depositories in which the funds of the Club shall be kept, and fix the amount of bond and specify the required surety for those who, in the discretion of the Board of Directors shall be bonded.

The Club shall acquire Capital Items only after approval by the Board of Directors and the membership of a Capital Appropriations Request (CAR). Capital Items are defined as equipment with an acquisition cost of at least \$1,000 (including taxes, installation and making ready for service) individually or for a group of similar items, and with an anticipated useful life of at least two years.

A CAR shall include a full description of the item(s), the estimated acquisition cost, and an estimate of the annual maintenance and operating expenses. The request shall also include the method of funding, and the timing of the acquisition.

All CARs shall be presented in writing to the Board, and if approved by the Board then presented to the membership. The approved CAR shall be presented to and voted on by the membership.

After a CAR is approved by the Board and the membership, funding may begin at the direction of the Board.

Any funds approved and acquired for the purpose of a specific Capital Item shall be segregated, by the Purser, in the records of the Club. Interest earned on the designation of funds shall become a part of the fund only if the funds are physically separated.

When the funding is completed, the Board is authorized to execute the required purchase.

At any time prior to the purchase of the Capital Item(s), the Board may recommend that the purchase is no longer appropriate for the Club. The Board shall then present the recommendation to rescind the CAR to the membership. The membership shall vote on the recommendation. If rescinded, any funds acquired shall revert to the general funds of the Club.

ARTICLE X – DUES

Section 1. Membership dues shall be assessed annually in an amount approved by a vote of the general membership at the November General Membership Meeting.

Section 2. The period of assessment shall be January 1 through December 31.

Section 3. Dues shall be payable by January 1 .

Section 4. Ten percent of each member's annual dues shall be set aside in a segregated fund for the purpose of purchasing and/or replacing Club boats. At the end of each calendar quarter, the purser shall transfer the applicable portion of the dues to the Boat Fund. This fund shall be interest bearing and shall be in the custody of the Club's purser. According to the requirements of Article IX - Directors, Section 2, a Capital Appropriations Request (CAR) may be completed and approved in order for the purser to expend these funds.

ARTICLE XI – RESIGNATIONS

Section 1. All resignations from membership shall be in writing, addressed to the Yeoman, and shall be accepted by the Board of Directors by majority vote of its members present and voting.

Section 2. In the event of the resignation of the Commodore, the Vice Commodore shall fulfill the duties of the Commodore. The new Commodore will appoint a new Vice-Commodore.

Section 3. Failure to pay dues by February 1 shall be treated as a resignation.

Section 4. Termination of membership shall operate as a release of all right, title, interest, or claim to the assets of the Club.

Section 5. In the event of the resignation of any officer other than the Commodore, the Commodore will appoint a new person, with a majority support of the Board, to serve out the remainder of that Officer's term.

ARTICLE XII - MEETINGS, NOTICES, AND QUORUMS

Section 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the members for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors, and there shall be regular meetings of this Club called by the Commodore at convenient times and places selected by the Vice Commodore in every calendar month of each year.

Section 2. Special meetings of this Club may be called at any convenient time at an appropriate place by the Commodore on his own motion. The Commodore shall also call a special meeting of the Club at an appropriate time and place not less than two weeks and not more than one month after receipt of a written request for such a meeting from a majority of the Board of Directors or upon receipt of a written request for such a meeting signed by five members over the age of 18.

Section 3. Written notice of each special meeting of the Club shall be sent by the Yeoman to every member by first class mail and/or email to the member's last known address at least one week before the special meeting.

Section 4. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the time and place that the Board shall determine. A special meeting of the Board of Directors may be called by the Commodore at any reasonable time and place. Each member of the Board of Directors shall be notified by telephone at least one week before a regular Board Meeting and at least three days before a special meeting. All Club Members are welcomed to attend and observe all meetings of the Board of Directors. Only the Officers of the Club are allowed to vote at meetings of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. At any regular meeting of this Club, ten per cent of the total Club membership shall constitute a quorum.

Section 6. At any special meeting of this Club, twenty five per cent of the total Club membership shall constitute a quorum.

Section 7. At any Board of Directors meetings, five members shall constitute a quorum. The "members" for the purpose of a "quorum" of the Board of Directors shall be the sum of those physically in attendance and those who have provided email responses to matters before the board, as long as a similar solicitation for input has been made to all board members.

Section 8. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, no business of the board or membership may be conducted without a quorum.

ARTICLE XIII - ORDER OF BUSINESS

Section 1. The order of business at meetings of this Club shall be determined by the Board.

Section 2. All questions of procedure not covered by these By-Laws shall be determined in

accordance with "Robert's Rules of Order."

ARTICLE XIV - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. Two active members shall be nominated from the floor of a meeting to be held during September to serve on the Nominating Committee and shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present. The Past Commodore shall serve as Chairman of the three-person Nominating Committee. If the Past Commodore is no longer a member in good standing with the club, then the Commodore will appoint someone to serve as the Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall select members as candidates for all elective offices of this Club as set forth in these By-Laws including the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Racing Fleet Captain, Cruising Fleet Captain, Social Captain, Membership Captain, Boatswain, Purser, and Yeoman.

Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall present their proposed slate of Officers to the General Membership at the October General Membership Meeting. Once the recommended slate of Officers is presented, the presiding Officer of the Club will accept additional nominations for each Officer position from the General Membership. Those members nominated, and seconded by members in good standing, will be added to the Election Ballots of the prospective list of candidates that is to be sent to the General Membership. Only the names of those

members proposed by the Nominating Committee and those nominated from the floor at the October meeting will be placed on the Election Ballot.

Section 4. Election Ballots will be mailed to all active members no later than one week following the October Monthly Membership Meeting. Election will be held at the regular November Monthly Membership Meeting, given that a quorum of active members is present at that meeting. Votes will be counted from:

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Those active members in attendance at the November Monthly Membership Meeting

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Those members who have returned their ballots by mail, and such ballot has been received at the Yeoman's street/PO address provided with the communication of the proposed change by no later than 72 hours prior to the November Monthly Membership Meeting

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Those members who have responded via email to the at the Yeoman's email address provided with the communication of the proposed change by no later than 72 hours prior to the November Monthly Membership Meeting

Section 5. Votes will be counted only for those members whose names appear on the Official Ballot, referenced above.

Section 6. A member is elected upon receipt of a plurality of the votes cast and officially counted. If there is a tie, the Presiding Officer will call for a vote from the members present to break the tie. A plurality of those voting will be required for election in this tie-breaking vote.

Section 7. Officers-elect shall assume the duties of their offices on January 1 of the succeeding year.

ARTICLE XV – DISCIPLINE

Section 1. Charges of any kind made against any person while a member of this Club for any infraction of these By-Laws or for any conduct prejudicial to the Club shall be made in writing to the Yeoman.

Section 2. Charges of any kind made against any Officer of the Club for any reason shall be made in writing to the Yeoman of the Club; if such charge is made against the Yeoman, then the Charge shall be made in writing to the Commodore of the Club.

Section 3. If the Charge is against an Officer of the Club, the penalty can be to request that the member resign their position as an Officer of the Club.

Section 4. Upon receipt of the charges, the Commodore shall call a special meeting of the Board of Directors at an appropriate place and time. In the case where the charges are made against the Commodore of the Club, the Vice Commodore is empowered to call a special meeting of the Board of Directors at an appropriate place and time. The meeting shall be not less than two weeks and not more than one month from the date of receipt. The Yeoman shall immediately give notice of the time and place of that meeting by regular mail to each member of the Board of Directors, and by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the member or members charged, and to the member or members making the charge.

Section 5. The Commodore shall preside over the procedures and hearings held by the Board of Directors of this Club on the charges, but shall not vote on any question or on the verdict. If the charges are made against the Commodore, then the Vice Commodore shall preside over the procedures and hearings held by the Board of Directors of this Club on the charges, but shall not vote on any question or on the verdict.

Section 6. At the special meeting of the Board, the member or members charged shall have the right to be heard, to examine and cross-examine witnesses, and to record the proceedings electronically or otherwise.

Section 5. At the completion of the hearing, the Board of Directors shall consider the evidence and render a decision. A decision that a member is guilty shall require a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board of Directors present and voting. If the person against whom the charges are being made is an Officer, that Officer will not be allowed to vote on this matter. If found guilty of the original or a lesser charge, the penalty shall be censure, suspension, probation, expulsion, a request for the member's resignation from this Club, and/or a request for the Officer's resignation of their position as an Officer of the Board of Directors of this Club.

Section 6. The Yeoman shall immediately send certified copies of the decision of the Board of Directors by registered or certified mail, with return receipt requested, to the member or members against whom the charges were made and to the member or members by whom the charges were made. That decision of the Board of Directors shall be final unless appealed as provided in Section 7 of this Article.

Section 7. Any member found guilty of charges by the Board of Directors in accordance with this Article, may, within ten days after a certified copy of the decision of the Board of Directors has been mailed to him, appeal that decision to the membership by writing to the Yeoman. The Yeoman shall immediately notify all members of the Club by inclusion of the appeal in the next newsletter. At the next meeting of the membership, the case shall be reviewed

Section 8. The decision of the Board of Directors, when appealed, may be affirmed by the membership or it may be reversed. A three-fourths majority vote of the members present and voting at the meeting of this Club at which the appeal is considered shall be required to reverse the disciplinary decision of the Board of Directors. In the case that the membership fails to reverse the disciplinary decision of the Board of Directors, the disciplinary decision of the Board of Directors is affirmed and no further right of appeal will be granted on this charge.

Section 9. The Yeoman shall immediately send certified copies of the final decision by registered mail with return receipt requested to the member who appealed and to the member or members by whom the charges were made.

Section 10. Should a member whose resignation has been requested by a final decision pursuant to this Article fail to comply within five days, the failure to resign shall automatically act as expulsion from membership.

Section 11. Should an Officer who has been asked to resign their position as an Officer by a final decision pursuant to this Article fail to comply within five days, the failure to resign shall automatically act as removal of the member from the position of an Officer of the Club.

ARTICLE XVI – BURGEE

The Club Burgee shall be a blue pennant with a white, bare foot print, and a red border. The toes of the barefoot will be pointed toward the hoist end (the fat end) of the burgee, with the big toe pointed downward.

ARTICLE XVII – AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Any member can request a change to the By-Laws by submitting such change to the Yeoman. The Yeoman will then be responsible for distributing this requested change to the general membership via mail or email within seven (7) days of receipt of such request.

Section 2. These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote at any meeting of the members, provided that the proposed amendment has either been mailed and/or emailed to each voting member at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting or has been explained at a previous meeting.

Section 3. Members may vote on changes to the By-Laws in any one of the following manners:

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Voting in person at the meeting

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Providing a written response to the Yeoman at the Yeoman's street/PO address provided with

the communication of the proposed change at least 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting at which the change is to be voted upon

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Providing an email response to the Yeoman at the Yeoman's email address provided with the communication of the proposed change at least 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting at which the change is to be voted upon.

Section 4. Amendments will take effect immediately upon approval of the membership, per the directives elsewhere in this Article XVII.

Section 5. No Article may be amended or new Article made that will cause a conflict within the present Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws.

