## BLUE MOON CRUISERS ROD & CUSTOM ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

#### ARTICLE I NAME & EMBLEM

SECTION 1: The name of the club is Blue Moon Cruisers Rod & Custom Association.

SECTION 2: The emblem is a full moon in the background with a picture of the man in the moon and the wording "BLUE MOON CRUISERS" and a street rod, custom car and a pick-up truck in the forefront with the wording "ROD & CUSTOM ASSOCIATION".

SECTION 3: The "BLUE MOON CRUISERS ROD & CUSTOM ASSOCIATION" logo is the official trademark/property of the club and may not be used by anyone without the written permission of the executive board. Accepted 11/02/93.

#### ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

SECTION 1: To promote interest in various forms of street rodding and custom activity.

SECTION 2: To create good fellowship and sportsmanship among all members of the club.

SECTION 3: To conduct club functions and activities in a manner befitting members of the rod and custom sport and to encourage a better understanding of rod and custom as a constructive sport.

SECTION 4: To promote safety in driving, automobile maintenance and overall vehicle operation.

SECTION 5: Promote a better understanding among the members of all aspects of building, maintaining and enhancing a street rod or custom.

#### ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: A member must be a car enthusiast. Accepted 7/2/13.

SECTION 2: There shall be active members only in the club. An active member is a member whose current dues are paid in full. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 3: Must be at least 16 years of age.

SECTION 4: All applications for membership shall be signed by an active member. They would then receive their membership card and welcome packet after the member's application is processed. Accepted 7/2/13.

SECTION 5: Each member is entitled to a maximum of 2 (two) votes. (One for each adult member present.)

SECTION 6: Any new applicants for membership after September 1 shall receive membership for the balance of the current year and the following fiscal year (January 1 thru December 31) for one year's membership dues. This will only count 1 year as a member for meeting the requirements to be nominated for an office or board position. Accepted 7/2/13.

SECTION 7: Removed. Accepted 7/2/13.

## ARTICLE IV INITIATION FEE AND DUES

SECTION 1: The application fee for membership is \$35.00 (thirty-five) and includes the first year's dues. Accepted 8/2/22.

SECTION 2: Dues for active members of the club is \$30.00 (thirty) yearly, payable to the club treasurer by December 31<sup>st</sup> or postmarked by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Accepted 8/2/22.

SECTION 3: Any member's dues not received by the treasurer will be considered in arrears and will automatically be terminated. He/she must then re-apply for membership as defined in Section 1. Accepted 10/5/04.

### ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

- SECTION 1: The elected officers of the club include a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and two board members. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 2: The term of office for the president, vice-president, secretary and two board members will be 2 years. The term of office for the treasurer is 3 years. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 3: An officer cannot hold the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 4: A majority of the officers constitutes a quorum at any executive board meeting. Accepted 10/5/04.

#### ARTICLE VI NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- SECTION 1: Nominations of officers and board members will be opened at the September meeting and close at the November meeting with elections held at the December meeting. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 2: All nominees for office or a board position must be an active member for at least two (2) years prior to being nominated. Accepted 7/2/13.
- SECTION 3: All elected and/or appointed officers and board members must remain active members for the duration of their terms of office. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 4: Nominations will be made from the floor during a regular meeting and all voting will be by secret ballot.
- SECTION 5: All nominees must appear personally at the meeting they're nominated and acknowledge willingness to run. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 6: All officers and board members are elected at the last meeting prior to the beginning of a new term and will assume office at the January regular meeting, to hold office according to the terms outlined in Article V. Accepted 10/5/04.
- SECTION 7: Election shall be by ballot unless the office is uncontested then a vote by hand is acceptable. Elected officers and board members will

be decided by a majority vote (by ballot or hand) of all active members present at the meeting. The executive board shall appoint an electoral committee of three active members at November's meeting, the month prior to the election. If a member of the electoral committee can't attend the December meeting due to illness or business a new member will be appointed. Accepted 7/2/13.

SECTION 8: The electoral committee will certify the eligibility of the nominees, prepare and distribute the ballots, count the votes and announce the results. The ballots shall be returned to and retained by the recording secretary until after the meeting following the election. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 9: In case of a vacancy at any time, the executive board shall appoint a member to fill the vacancy temporarily until the next regular election. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 10: No person can hold an office/chair in the club if they hold an office/chair in another auto club, organization or involved in a business that may cause a conflict of interests. Accepted 10/5/04.

#### ARTICLE VII INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1: The newly elected officers and board members shall be installed at the regular meeting in January. The retiring officers shall transfer all property of the organization in their possession to the respective successors. Accepted 10/5/04.

# ARTICLE VIII DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

SECTION 1: The president will preside over all meetings of the club; appoint all committees, not otherwise ordered; act as ex-officio member of all committees; issue the call for regular and special meetings; shall countersign all checks and see that the laws laid down by the by-laws are enforced. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 2: The vice-president will perform all duties of the president in his/her absence.

SECTION 3: The secretary shall keep a true and accurate account and records of the proceedings of each meeting (business meetings and meetings of the executive board); he/she shall receive every month the written treasurer's report to include with the club's business records. The secretary conducts all other clerical work pertaining to that office; give notice of all regular and special meetings of the membership. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 4: The treasurer shall receive all money belonging to the club and give receipt for same; maintain the club's accounting books; he/she shall also pay all outstanding bills with appropriate receipts, authorized by the club by check, properly countersigned by the president; shall deposit all money of the club in a banking institution approved by the executive board; make regular reports of the club's financial status to the club. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 5: The executive board shall appoint an audit committee to audit the books and accounts of the organization annually and forward a copy of same to the secretary and make a written report of the condition of the books to the club at the March meeting; this report shall be read the meeting after the audit took place. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 6: No club member can authorize the expenditure of club funds without the approval of the executive board. Accepted 11/2/93.

SECTION 7: The executive board shall consist of seven (7) members; the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, the immediate past president and the two (2) elected board members. The executive board shall pass judgment upon all charges and disputes with impartiality, as may be brought before them and report to the club with discretion; the executive board shall make a report to be given each regular meeting. If the past president can't serve the executive board will call a special election to fill the vacancy of past president. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 8: Suspension or expulsion for any cause or absence from three consecutive meetings without sufficient cause shall forfeit any official position. The executive board will present the reason for the suspension or expulsion to the general membership for a vote to support or deny the suspension or expulsion. Accepted 10/5/04.

#### ARTICLE IX MEETINGS

SECTION 1: Twenty-five (25) or more members constitute a quorum. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 2: Regular membership meetings will be held at a time and place set forth by the executive board. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 3: Robert's Rules of order will be used as the guidelines of all meetings unless otherwise amended and approved for in the by-laws. Accepted 9/3/13.

SECTION 4: The order of business for all meetings of the club and the officers is as follows:

Call to order
Roll call
Introduction of visitors
Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting
Reading of correspondence
Secretary's report
Treasurer's report

Committee reports

Unfinished business

New business

Announcements

Adjournment

SECTION 5: Committees of the club are set up by the executive board to fulfill the needs of the club. Accepted 10/5/04.

#### ARTICLE X DELEGATIONS

SECTION 1: Delegations will be appointed by the president, and/or vice president to represent the club at any convention, meeting or assembly that may be deemed necessary. Any/all delegations are authorized to exercise only those powers specifically vested in them by the officers.

#### ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: The club constitution and by laws can be amended at any regular or special meeting of the membership in attendance to which there is a quorum provided the officers have previously approved the merits of the proposed amendment. After officer's approval, written notice must be furnished to each member at least one month before the proposed amendment is voted upon. Accepted 10/5/04.

SECTION 2: Approved and accepted amendments take effect as stated by the amendment.

#### ARTICLE XII DONATIONS

SECTION 1: Blue Moon Cruisers members must seek pre-approval from the board to host any event. The profit from any self-funded event will be subject to a maximum of 80% charity / 20% Blue Moon Cruisers split. The Blue Moon Cruisers shall receive 100% of the profits from any events sponsored or supported by the Blue Moon Cruisers. All monies shall be forward to the club's treasurer and a check in the club's name will be sent to the designed charity. In the case of a 50-50 fundraising raffle the prize is 50% of the money taken in by the raffle ticket sales. The other 50% is to be retained by the Blue Moon Cruisers and shall be deposited into the general fund. Accepted 5/2/17.

SECTION 2: The Helping Hands Committee was created by the Executive Board to make a list of the clubs annual charities. They shall have a budget set and approved by the Executive Board; the budget shall be assessed each year to determine if the budget shall be adjusted. The charities on the annual list can be added or deleted, determined by the members of the Helping Hands Committee as long as they do not exceed its annual budget. Accepted 5/2/17.

SECTION 3: Upon the death of a club member, flowers will be sent to the members surviving spouse or other family member, the cost of flowers shall be as close as possible to \$50.00. If requested by the family of the deceased a donation may be made to their favorite charity in lieu of flowers, the donation shall not exceed \$50.00. Accepted 5/2/17.