

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE SACRAMENTO BASS TRACKERS

ARTICLE I. NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. Name

This club shall be called the Sacramento Bass Trackers
Sacramento, California

Section 2. Purpose

To stimulate public awareness in Bass Fishing as a major sport. To offer our state conservation department our organized, moral and political support and encouragement. To promote full adherence to all conservation codes, and to demand adequate water standards and legal enforcement of existing regulatory standards. To detect and report polluters and call public and political attention to any crime. To improve our skills as bass anglers through a fellowship of friendly exchange of expert bass catching techniques and ideas, and to promote and encourage total family participation and a love of this great recreation. To function as a dynamic and effective link with other clubs of the State B.A.S.S. Nation, embracing the principles and purpose of B.A.S.S.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Number of members

This club shall consist of at least 6 members but not more than 50 members.

Section 2. Requirements for membership

To become a member, a person shall;

- A. Be at least 18 years of age or older.
- B. Voluntarily express a genuine interest in membership and advancement of the sport of bass fishing.
- C. Be a member of B.A.S.S.
- D. Be a member of the State B.A.S.S. Nation
- E. Attend 3 club functions prior to submitting an application.
- F. These 3 functions shall consist of two (2) club meetings and one (1) tournament with a member.
- G. Submit an application to the membership committee.
- H. Be voted on by 100% of the membership committee.
- I. Prospective members shall be notified by mail, following the results of the vote or notified at the meeting by a membership committee officer.
- J. Before an application is accepted, all membership dues are required, as well as a current membership in B.A.S.S.

Section 3. Membership Classification

This club shall consist of a minimum of at least 6 members and a maximum of 50 members. Active members shall be full, dues paying members, and shall be entitled to all rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

Section 4 Membership dues

Membership and annual dues shall be \$75.00 for all active members. \$40.00 is for club dues. \$30.00 of which shall be before B.A.S.S. Nation dues and \$5.00 of which shall be before state dues. B.A.S.S. membership dues are also required at the current rate. The dues will be paid in January of each year by all active members and upon the submission of the new Membership application form for all new members. New members joining the club from January through June will be required to pay \$75.00 annual dues. New members joining the club from July through will be required to pay \$55.00-annual dues. This reduced rate only applies to new members. Any former member of the club will be required to pay the full \$75.00 membership dues. Each club officer will have their annual dues paid for by the club during their term of office. Dues are not refundable.

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

The club will hold monthly meetings the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Sam's Hof Brau House, 2500 El Camino Ave, Sacramento, California 95821. The meetings will begin at 7:00 PM.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS, ELECTIONS, VACANCIES AND ELIGIBILITY

Section 1. Officers and their duties

- A. President. Presides over all meetings and directs all official club business. Supervises all club functions. Responsible for all permits and reports to Fish and Game Department as required by California State Law. Ensures that next year's annual permit form is turned into Fish and Game Department.
- B. Vice President/Treasurer. Assist the president in his duties, and presides in the absence of the President. Oversees all financial matters. Tracks and maintains the club tournaments and meeting points list and the clubs monthly tournament standing sheet. Reports all active members to B.A.S.S. and reports all new members to B.A.S.S. on-line as membership grows/changes. Brings and disperses both of these lists at each meeting.
- C. Secretary. Maintains accurate records of all club meetings. Assists the tournament director with all tournament duties.

D. Tournament Director/Weigh Master. Manages tournament draws, reporting and weighing at all tournaments, maintains and uses official club weigh-in equipment at all tournament events. Presides over the tournament committee that selects the following years tournament locations and dates.

Section 2. Elections

The elections of officers shall be held annually at a regular meeting during the month of November. Election results will be a simple majority of the members present.

Section 3. Terms of Office

The terms of office shall begin on the 1st meeting in January and end on the last meeting date in December.

President: 2 year term

Vice President/Treasurer: 1 year term

Secretary: 2 year term

Tournament Director/Weigh master: 1 year term

Section 4. Vacancies

In the event of an office becoming vacant, nominations shall be asked and an election held to fill the unexpired term of the individual vacating the office.

Section 5. Eligibility to hold office.

To be eligible to hold-an office, a member must;

- A. Have been a member for a minimum of 6 months.
- B. Have attended at least 2/3 of the clubs functions in the previous year.
- C. Have shown a sincere interest in all club functions.
- D. Maintain current B.A.S.S. membership

ARTICLE V. AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a vote of at least 2/3 of the members present, provided written notice of the proposed amendment has been presented to the members at least one regular meeting prior to the vote

ARTICLE VI. GROUNDS TO REVOKE MEMBERSHIP

Membership may be revoked for the following reasons with NO exceptions;

- A. Failure to maintain active membership in B.A.S.S
- B. Failure to pay dues within 60 days. (active or inactive)
- C. Any action that would reflect dishonor and disgrace upon the club.

- D. Failure to attend 2/3 of the club functions during a 12 month period.
- E. Disqualification for any reason from participating in B.A.S.S. sponsored events, including disqualification for use of drugs and/or alcohol.
- F. All offenses will be presented to the membership committee.
- G. Notice of removal will be sent to the applicable member by US Mail.

ARTICLE VII. REQUIREMENTS FOR AFFILIATION

- A. Approval of club charter by B.A.S.S.
- B. Update B.A.S.S. with club membership roster once each year in November.
- C. Names and addresses of new members joining the club during the year must be submitted on line to B.A.S.S. as they occur.
- D. Maintain 100% B.A.S.S. membership.
- E. Must affiliate with the California State Nation and support its conservation and youth programs. Any additional requirements that the State Nation establishes for clubs, such as State dues, attendance at meetings, etc. would be necessary for the club to participate in the State Qualifying tournaments(s) and any other Nation sponsored tournaments and/or events.