

CAJUN CORVETTE CLUB CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS 05/2000
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CONSTITUTION

Article 1: Name

Section 1: This non-profit organization shall be known as "Cajun Corvette Club".

Article II: Purpose

Section 1: The purpose of this organization is to promote good fellowship among Corvette owners and enthusiasts.

Section 2: To preserve the Corvette as a classic car and to give technical information on all phases of ownership and restoration.

Section 3: To maintain a high degree of knowledge of the Corvette through meetings, events, and award programs in the club.

Section 4: To maintain the highest standards of courtesy and safety on and off the road.

Article III: Membership

Section 1: Membership is open to any person who owns a Corvette built in model years 1953 through present.

Section 2: Members shall be of legal age.

Section 3: Associate membership is open to non-Corvette owners, who are Corvette enthusiasts, and will be referred to as an associate member. Associate members who become Corvette owners will be automatically upgraded to full members.

Section 4: Membership includes spouse and any children under the age of 21.

Article IV: Club Policies

Section 1: Only dues paying members, their spouse/guest, and immediate families shall be invited to club social and closed events.

Section 2: Exceptions to above must be approved by the Executive Board (see by-laws Article 1, Section 5).

Section 3: A calendar of club events shall be formulated by the Executive Board by the April general meeting.

Section 4: Any club event scheduled after the April board meeting must be approved through the Vice President who will coordinate dates so as not to conflict with future events on the calendar.

Section 5: The Executive board shall be responsible for yearly special awards.

Section 6: Club properties shall be inventoried by the Tech Director on or about the first of each year. Inventory listings are to be in the possession of the Tech Director and copies with the President. Members using club properties must sign them out from the Tech Director and are responsible for returning property in good condition.

Section 7: Being a non-profit organization, no moneys shall be redistributed to club members. In the event the club disbands, all remaining funds shall be distributed to charitable organizations. All seven (7) members of the Executive Board shall be present to vote on this matter. By Laws Article 1, section 5, is void in the event the club disbands.

Section 8: All club expenditures must have approval as follows:

- a). Budget by membership approval.
- b). Amounts less than \$250.00 by the Executive Board quorum.
- c). Amounts of \$250.00 and above must be published in the prior monthly newsletter and approved at the following general meeting by majority vote.

Section 9: Contributions to charitable organizations shall be determined by the Executive Board.

Article V: Election of Officers

Section 1: The officers of this club are:

- a). President
- b). Vice President
- c). Secretary
- d). Treasurer
- e). Membership Director
- f). Technical Director
- g). Newsletter Editor

The Executive Board shall be comprised of these officers.

Section 2: The nominating committee shall consist of the Executive Board. This committee shall present a slate of candidates in November. Nominations will also be allowed from the floor. The nominating committee will ask the individuals selected if they accept the position to which they have been nominated. Voting will take place during the December meeting. The election will be based on a majority of the members in attendance and voting. The new officers shall take office at the January meeting. The term of elected officers shall be one (1) year.

Section 3: Officers shall be eligible for re-election but shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.

Section 4: The immediate past President shall be a member of the Executive Board in an advisory capacity for one (1) year.

Section 5: The Vice President is a two (2) year term and will assume the Presidency for the second year of office.

Section 6: When an elected position is vacated, the position shall be filled by an appointment of the Executive Board. The appointee will complete the term of the vacated position.

Section 7: Anyone filling a vacated office for less than three (3) months may be elected to the same position for the following two (2) terms.

Section 8: Resignation by an officer shall be in writing to the Executive Board at least thirty (30) days in advance.

BY-LAWS

Article 1: Meetings

Section 1: The regular or general meeting of Cajun Corvette Club shall be held monthly at a predesignated location and time approved by a majority vote of members present and voting at a meeting. A permanent change to the location and/or time requires membership notification and at the following general membership meeting approved by a majority vote of the members present.

Section 2: In the event of inclement weather the President has the discretion to cancel, postpone, or reschedule a general meeting.

Section 3: The Executive Board may call special meetings as required.

Section 4: A committee chairperson may call special meetings as required.

Section 5: A quorum of four (4) Executive Board members shall be present to conduct a vote. (See Constitution Article IV Section).

Section 6: A motion shall be carried by a majority vote of members present and voting at a meeting.

Section 7: A paid membership has voting power. Attending member and spouse each have one (1) vote. Associate members and their spouses have no voting power.

Article II: Dues

Section 1: Dues are \$35.00 per calendar year payable in December of the preceding year.

Section 2: A potential member may visit club meetings twice before paying dues.

Section 3: Dues for new members shall be pro-rated on the number of remaining months. The rate will be \$35.00 for new members joining December through June,

\$25.00 for those joining July through September and \$15.00 for those joining in October or November.

Section 4: Members with dues delinquent 60 days or more will forfeit their membership.

Article III: Rules of Order

Section 1. The President shall maintain order using the format of the Modified Robert's Rules all Order.

Section 2. The rules are intended to help reach a quick and fair decision to questions or motions that arise.

Article IV: Duties of Elected Officers

Section 1: President: The President shall preside at all meetings except for valid excuse. The President, as the Executive Officer of the club, shall enforce all rules of the club and perform such duties as may pertain to the office of President. The President shall verify that the Treasurer has arranged to deposit the funds of the club in a reliable bank in the name of Cajun Corvette Club. The President shall submit a monthly article for the newsletter in copy-ready format.

Section 2: Vice President: The Vice President shall perform all duties in the absence of the President. The Vice President shall arrange a volunteer chairperson for each club event and coordinate all club events. The Vice President shall determine and make known classes for all club events that require classification. The Vice President shall be authorized, with the President's approval, to sign instruments of contract or lease agreements in the name of Cajun Corvette Club. The Vice President is in charge of the annual car show, with appointments of additional chairpersons and their committees. The Vice President shall submit a monthly article for the newsletter in copy-ready format.

Section 3: Secretary: The Secretary shall keep a true and correct record of all meetings and such other records as may pertain to the club. The Secretary shall be in charge of, and conduct all correspondence of the club, and notify all members of the monthly meetings and activities. The secretary shall read and/or have published the minutes of each meeting, to be approved by the members. The secretary shall take attendance at each meeting.

Section 4: Treasurer: The Treasurer shall handle all dues, money, and other property paid or donated to the club. The Treasurer shall deposit in a reliable bank, in the name of Cajun Corvette Club, all monies belonging to the club no later than one (1) week after such monies are collected. Such account must be under joint signature of the Treasurer and President. The Executive Board, by the way of a majority vote of the Board, has the capability to select a third member of the board to sign checks in the absence of one; the Treasurer or President. The Treasurer shall handle all invoicing for Cajun Corvette Club. This includes, but is not limited to, invoicing advertisers for space in the monthly newsletter. The Treasurer shall include invoice information in his/her monthly Board report. The Treasurer shall, at the close of his/her term of office make a true and correct report of all

financial transactions to all officers and members of the club. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the filing of all necessary financial documents such as tax forms, etc.

Section 5: Membership Director: The Membership Director will meet new members at general meetings or events. He/she will have a volunteer from the club to help greet new members and answer questions they may have about the club or events. The Membership Director shall maintain the membership records of CCC and provide the newsletter editor with current mailing labels. The Membership Director shall handle all advertising for the monthly newsletter and advise the editor of accounts which are to be added or deleted from the newsletter. The Membership Director shall contact all advertisers and include at least one (1) visit per year. The Membership Director represents the membership at the Board meetings.

Section 6: Technical Director: The Technical Director's duty is to coordinate and facilitate the activities of the club towards the purpose identified in Article 11, Section 2 and Article IV, Section 6 of the constitution. The Technical Director is the primary contact for club members seeking technical advice and is responsible for arranging tech sessions. The Technical Director shall provide guidance on technical matters and maintain the club's technical library. The Technical Director shall provide a monthly newsletter report containing technical information and a summary of all tech sessions held since the last report.

Section 7: Editor: The Editor's main duty is to produce the monthly club newsletter. The Editor shall collect articles from the membership, reports from officers and other such information that is deemed to be of interest to the club. These items, along with advertisements, are to be assembled in copy-ready form to be delivered to a printer of the Editor's choice. The Editor will coordinate advertising copy with the Membership Director and obtain current mailing lists from him/her. The Editor will assemble the newsletter after printing, affix mailing labels and postage, and deliver to the post office. The primary objective of the monthly newsletter is to provide a means of communication to all club members. Minutes of the monthly general meetings shall be included in the newsletter.

Article V: Chairperson and Committees

Section 1: The President or the Executive Board can establish a committee, if required, and appoint a Chairperson to this committee. The chairperson shall direct and monitor the activities of the committee, and provide written reports of committee activities to the Secretary.

Article VI: Amendments

Section 1: These by-laws may be amended as follows: A written notice of proposed By-Law changes must be sent to the Secretary at least 30 days prior to the October meeting which is the only month these changes can be voted on. The proposed change must be printed in the monthly newsletter that precedes the meeting at which the vote is taken. A bylaw change requires a majority vote of the voting members present and voting.

Article VII: Disbursements

Section 1: Approved disbursements of funds shall be made in accordance with Article IV, Section 4.

Article VIII: Qualification for Elected Officers

Section 1: Candidates running for an Executive Board Office must be a member of Cajun Corvette Club for a minimum of one (1) year prior to the start of the term of that office.

END OF BYLAWS