# BYLAWS OF THE TURNER'S OUTDOORSMAN ROD AND REEL CLUB

#### **SECTION I - NAME AND OBJECTIVES**

The name of this organization shall be the Turner's Outdoorsman Rod and Reel Club.

Its objectives are to promote the conservation of fish in local waters, to promote rod and reel fishing as a sport, and to promote sportsmanship and good fellowship among its members and sportfishermen in general.

## **SECTION II - MEMBERSHIP**

All persons interested in any type of Sportfishing shall be eligible for membership upon payment of annual dues and initiation fees, if such is imposed.

- 1. Members-- Any angler in sympathy with the objectives of the Club and not interested directly or indirectly in marketing of fish is eligible for membership. A member may belong to any one of the following categories:
  - a. Active Membership-- Any angler who is a member in good standing as of the first meeting in January of each calendar year.
  - b. Family Membership-- Children under the age of twenty one and/or the spouse of a member in good standing shall be eligible for membership..
  - c. Honorary Membership-- Any angler who is Active Military status. This does not include Veterans and Reserve status.
- 2. Suspension-- In the event a rules violation protest or a complaint of unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of any member is filed with the Club, the Board of Directors will take the following action:
- 3. A letter describing the violation or complaint will be sent to the member to whom the complaint was directed asking them to appear before the Board, at which time they may present their side of the issue. Failure to appear and answer the charges will be considered sufficient evidence for the Board to take disciplinary action as they see fit.
  - a. Membership shall be limited by the Board of Directors. Such membership or any right arising there from shall not be transferable, unless the bylaws shall so provide and all the rights of a member in the Club shall cease on death or other termination of membership.

# **SECTION III -- ANNUAL DUES**

- 1. The annual dues, payable in advance, and the initiation fee, if such is imposed, shall be in the amount determined by the Board of Directors.
  - a. Annual dues for new members that are paid after the first Quarter of the Year, will be prorated based on the number of Quarters remaining for that year.
- 2. Any member in good standing may resign or withdraw from the organization by giving written notice to the

Secretary thirty days before it is desired that such withdrawal shall take effect. No dues shall be refunded.

## SECTION IV -- OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

- 1. The officers of this organization shall be the Board of Directors consisting of seven members.
  - a. The President, Chief Financial Officer, and Secretary will serve as Directors. The Membership Chairman, Chartermaster, Sergeant at Arms, and Raffle Chairman will fill out the balance of the Board.
- 2. The Board of Directors are volunteers, and as such, assume no responsibility or liability for any loss or injury incurred at any club sponsored meeting or function.

## SECTION V -- ELECTION

- 1. Nominations will be accepted at the October meeting for all Club officers. These nominations will be open to any active Club members with a minimum of one full year active membership.
- 2. Election of Officers and Directors shall be by a vote of the majority of the active members, in attendance at the November general meeting.
  - a. Only active members whose dues have been paid for the preceding year will be entitled to vote.
  - b. No member may cast more than one vote for each elected office.
  - c. There shall be no proxy vote or absentee vote.

# **SECTION VI -- DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

- 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the membership. He shall perform all duties usually incident to the office of President.
- 2. In the absence of the President, the Chief Financial Officer shall perform the duties of the President.
- 3. The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Board of Directors and of the organization.
- 4. The Chief Financial Officer shall:
  - a. Receive all funds and place them in a depository designated by the Board of Directors so that all funds may be regularly deposited and accounted for.
  - b. Issue all checks as ordered by the Board of Directors, authorizing the withdrawal of funds from the depository and see that the signatures required by the Board are affixed thereto.
  - c. Present at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors, a statement of the financial condition.
  - d. Keep the books and accounts and a detailed statement of receipts and expenditures and furnish a copy of same on a quarterly basis to the Board of Directors.
- 5. The Membership Chairman shall:
  - a. Keep an accurate record of the membership and the payment of dues.
  - b. Ensure that new members are added to the mailing list and the Club roster.

- c. Confirm with new members that they are receiving Club newsletters and correspondence.
- d. Maintain a mailing list of all guests that visit a Club meeting.
- e. Be responsible for keeping the Club roster and all mailing lists current.
- 6. The Chartermaster shall help in the sign up and collection of fees for all Club charters.
- 7. The Raffle Chairmen shall be responsible for maintaining all necessary supplies to conduct any raffles that may be taking place.

## SECTION VII -- DUTIES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. The Board shall:
  - a. Attend meetings of the Board of Directors.
  - b. Have general supervision of all matters that come before the Club and to act upon the same as they deem proper.
  - c. Adopt rules for government of the Club not provided in the bylaws.
  - d. Fill vacancies on the Board of Directors until the succeeding annual election.
- 2. The Board of Directors shall be prohibited from incurring any indebtedness for any single purpose of more than \$5.00 per member without an affirmative majority vote of the membership at any regularly scheduled meeting.

## **SECTION VIII -- QUORUM**

- 1. At meetings of the Board of Directors, four members shall constitute a quorum.
- 2. At meetings of the membership, 25% of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

## **SECTION IX -- MEETINGS**

- 1. The Board of Directors shall meet once every quarter, with the dates of these meetings to be published in the Club newsletter thirty days prior. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President at anytime. Members may attend the Board of Directors meetings.
- 2. Membership meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday of each calendar month, at a location to be announced thirty days prior.

## **SECTION X -- AMENDMENTS**

- 1. Bylaws may be adopted, amended or replaced by any of the following:
  - a. Any means provided in the bylaws, except that a bylaw fixing or changing the number of Board of Directors may not be adopted, amended or repealed without the vote of written assent of members entitled to exercise a majority of the voting power, or the vote of a majority of a quorum at a meeting of the members only called pursuant to the bylaws.
  - b. Except as provided in subdivision (A), by the Board of Directors, subject to the power of the members to

change or repeal the bylaws.

c. The vote or written assent of a majority of the members entitled to vote, or the vote of a majority of a quorum at a meeting duly called for the purpose according to the bylaws.

### SECTION XI -- RULES OF ORDER

- 1. Robert's Rules of Order Revised shall govern unless any disputed point is covered by the bylaws or otherwise.
- 2. The bylaws shall take effect immediately after adoption. Adoption will require a two thirds vote by all active members in attendance after the third reading of the said bylaws.