

OSHAWA GENERAL RACING PIGEON CLUB

BY-LAW

A by-law relating generally to the transaction of the affairs of the

OSHAWA GENERAL RACING PIGEON CLUB INCORPORATED

BE IT ENACTED as a by-law of OSHAWA GENERAL RACING PIGEON CLUB INCORPORATED

1. ORGANIZATION

This organization shall be known as the OSHAWA GENERAL RACING PIGEON CLUB INCORPORATED

2. OFFICERS

The officers of this organization shall consist of a PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, TREASURER and RACE SECRETARY. - All officers are to be elected by ballot and must be present at the meeting or represented by a written and signed statement of willingness to stand for office. The election of officers shall take place at the annual meeting.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Two category of membership shall be recognized and accepted by the club subject to the rules and regulations outlined for each; GENERAL MEMBERS and SOCIAL MEMBERS.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP: - This category of membership applies to Members actively participating in Club races. General Members through their voting privileges shall have the responsibility of establishing the operating regulations relative to the day to day business of the Club. - The definition at a General Member is any paid up Member who flew at least one at the most recent young or old bird series.

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP: - This category of membership applies to members who are merely seeking alliance with a racing pigeon organization. Social members shall not have voting privileges with the general operation of the club.

MEMBERSHIP FEE: - The membership fee for General and Social Members shall be set as required and paid by the deadline(s) established.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERS: - Anyone wishing to become a Member of the Club must apply in writing, enclosing the membership fee established by the Club. At the following meeting the application will be considered and if acceptance is proposed by one Member and seconded by another, a ballot vote will be taken by the members present. The applicant must receive a minimum of 80% vote in favor in order to be accepted. The applicant must not be present at the meeting when the ballot vote is taken, and in the event of rejection the membership fee will be returned.

GENERAL: - Any Member found guilty of cheating or unfair conduct, willful violation of rules or conduct detrimental to club harmony, can be expelled or suspended after a special meeting has been called and a ballot majority vote has been taken. A 60% majority vote of total General Members will be necessary to suspend or expel such Member. Any Member so expelled or suspended will automatically forfeit any right to club property. At this special meeting it will be determined whether the suspended or expelled Member will be reimbursed any fees, dues, prizes, etc., or any portion thereof.

4. FEES AND DUES

C.U. Union Dues must be paid prior to any Member purchasing current year bands. All other dues or fees must be paid by the date(s) established by the Club. Failure to do so will result in automatic termination of membership.

5. QUORUM

A quorum for regular and special meeting shall consist of 60% of Members in the general membership category.

6. MEETINGS

Annual, General, and Special meetings shall be at the call of the President or in his absence the Vice-president. The annual meeting normal will be held in October or November.

7. CLOCKS AND CLOCK COMMITTEE

- a) The clock committee will be appointed at the Annual or General membership meeting. Their duties will consist of setting and sealing all clocks. It will also be their duty to read all clocks after each race. The clock committee will not be responsible for winding of Member's clocks.
- b) All Members must bring their clocks to the Club within the designated time as notified by the President or his appointee.
- c) Only the continuous running timers approved by the Clock committee will be allowed.
- d) Should any Member's clocks stop or be rendered useless for any reason, he may have the same checked and reset by a Member of the Clock Committee, if it can be restarted.
- e) Any Member's clock that was set up but not read for a particular race must be submitted to the Clock committee the following race the Member competes in, with the clock seal intact.
- f) All clocks dials and tapes shall be retained by the Race Secretary until race results have been computed. Members wishing to have their dials or tapes may receive them after the race result have been published, unless the Clock Committee wishes to retain same for any reason.
- g) No member should open or read their own clock for the purpose of computing race results.

8. BANDS AND PIGEONS

- a) All birds must be the proven property of the Member whose name they are raced under.
- b) Under no circumstances will unbanded pigeons be allowed in the baskets.
- c) Bands of all pigeons entered in Club races must be approved type and size. e.g. - CU, AU. etc.
- d) Young pigeons raced bearing bands purchased from other than the OSHAWA GENERAL RACING PIGEON CLUB INCORPORATED will be assessed a fee to be determined by the club.
- e) Any pigeon clocked in any given races must be verified if the Member is requested to do so by the clock committee.

9. VELOCITY

Race close when velocity drops below 400 meters per minute, in the event of a two (2) day race, the race will close one half hour after the sunset and will re-open one half hour prior to sunrise. Sunset and sunrise will be used as printed in the local paper used by the combine.

10. MEASUREMENTS

Any member questioning his race point measurements, can request a re-measurements and in the event that the re-measurements proves that the original were incorrect the cost of the re-measurement will be absorbed by the club. In the event that the original measurement were correct or within 10 meters different, the Member must bear the cost. Measurements utilized must obtained from a Club approved surveyor.

11. SHIPPING

- a) No Member will be allowed to handle his own pigeons, assist in the application of countermarks on his pigeons, etc. ,after they are removed from his own basket and are being prepared for shipment to the race point.
- b) The Club President and in his absence the Vice-President have the authority to appoint any three (3) Members to decide whether any pigeon for health reasons. a danger or detriment to other pigeons in the Club, should be barred from racing in such race.

12. BANK ACCOUNT

The Club shall have one or more bank account in the name of the Club. All cheques or withdrawals from the Club account shall be signed jointly by two or more members authorized by the club.

13. RECORDS

- a) The Secretary shall keep records of all resolutions adopted at the Club meetings, together with the names of movers and seconders of motions, and obtain signature of the President or Vice-President, whoever is chairman at the time that the minutes are adopted.
- b) The Treasurer shall maintain a record of funds received and paid out by the Club. This record is to be audited annually by two other club Members appointed at either the Annual or General meeting.

DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION:

14. Upon dissolution, after payment of debts and liabilities, the remaining property or part thereof shall be distributed or disposed of to charitable organizations or to organizations whose objects are beneficial to the community.

15. CHANGES TO THE BYLAW:

All rules embodied in this Bylaw be changed by a 80% majority vote of General Members at a Club Meeting called especially for that purpose. General Members must be notified at least 7 days in advance of the proposed meeting.

Passed by the board of directors and sealed with the corporate seal this 20th day of March, 1990.

Joe Martire

President – Joe Martire

Leslie St Laurent

Secretary – Leslie St. Laurent

This document has been signed & Sealed by the President & the Secretary and the original copy is available in the by-law book.