



Hamblen County Car Club Constitution and By-Laws July 2002

Article I Name and Emblem

Section 1. The name of the club is the Hamblen County Car Club Inc. The club shall be incorporated as a non-profit corporation.

Section 2. The Emblem for the club will be a 32' Ford on a map of Hamblen County.

Section 3. The colors of the club will be Orange and White.

Article II Purpose

Section 1. The promotion of Safe, Family Oriented Enjoyment of Classic and Custom Cars and Trucks, Through Club Member Camaraderie, Monthly meetings, and Scheduled Special Events.

Article III Objectives

Section 1. To promote interest in collector car hobby.

Section 2. To create and promote good fellowship and sportsmanship among all members of this club as well as all members of this hobby.

Section 3. To conduct club functions and activities in a manner befitting members of the automotive hobby, and to encourage a better

understanding of the construction and restoration of antique and special interest vehicles, as a constructive family activity.

Section 4. To promote and stress safety in driving, automobile maintenance, and overall vehicle operation.

Article IV Membership

Section 1. There will be annual dues for active membership. The dues amount may be adjusted as needed by the executive committee.

Section 2. Club membership is limited to:

- A. Persons with an interest in the restoration and maintenance of American made cars and trucks.
- B. Persons that have reached the age of 18 or older.

Section 3. All candidates desiring membership to the club must first complete an application form, and submit it to the membership committee. The membership committee will review and determine eligibility.

Section 4. All members will obey traffic laws and maintain safety to sustain their membership.

Section 5. Any undesirable conduct by any member, while in any function or activity which may degrade this club or hobby in the eyes of the public, press, or law enforcement agency, will be grounds for immediate expulsion of membership by the board of directors.

Section 6. The membership of this club will not tolerate exhibition driving, street racing, alcohol or drug consumption, or fighting by any member of the club, or attendee at any club event.

Article V Dues

Section 1. Dues for club membership will be twenty-five (\$25) dollars per year.

Section 2. Dues are payable on September 1st each year.

Section 3. If dues are not paid by October 1st membership will be discontinued.

Section 4. When new members are accepted into the club, dues will be payable at that time and renewable each September 1st thereafter.

Article VI Officers

Section 1. The elected officers of the club include President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer. The elected officers of the club will be the Executive committee.

Section 2. A majority of the board of directors constitutes a quorum at any meeting of the board of directors.

Section 3. The board of directors consists of the President, Vice-president, the immediate past president, and six club members appointed by the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The executive committee may appoint other members as needed, to head committees, and fill vacancies within the board of directors as it sees necessary.

Article VII Elections

Section 1. All nominees for any office must be a member in good standing.

Section 2. All elected officers and board of director members must remain members in good standing for the duration of their term in office.

Section 3. All officers and directors will be elected at the June meeting, and will take office on July 1st.

Section 4. Nominations must be made from the floor during a regular meeting. All voting will be by a show of hands.

Section 5. Any motions made at club meetings will carry with a majority vote of the membership present.

Article VIII Duties of Officers

Section 1. The President will preside over all meeting of the club, serve as chairman of the board of directors, act as additional member of all committees, issue the call for regular and special board of directors meetings, schedule regular elections, and insure meeting are held in accordance with the constitution.

Section 2. The Vice-president will perform all duties of the President in his absence. The Vice-president will act as Event Coordinator and chair an Event committee as required.

Section 3. The Secretary will record and maintain minutes of the club meetings. The Secretary will maintain membership records, record members present at the meetings, and give notice of all regular and special meetings. The Secretary will supervise all records of the club based on directives from the President.

Section 4. The Treasurer will collect dues and all other income due the club. Maintain club bank records and accounting books, and make payments from club funds as necessary. The treasurer will make monthly reports of the clubs financial status to the members at each monthly meeting. The treasurer will file as necessary, all reports required, complying with Federal, State and local governments.

Article IX Meetings

Section 1. Members in good standing present at the meeting will constitute a quorum.

Section 2. Regular membership meetings will be held the Third Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M.

Section 3. The order of business for all meetings of the club will be as follows:

- A. Call to order.
- B. Roll call/sign in.
- C. Introduction of visitors.
- D. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting as posted in the newsletter, or as read at the meeting.
- E. Reading of correspondence/announcements.
- F. Treasurers report.
- G. Committee's report.
- H. Unfinished business.
- I. New Business.
- J. Adjournment.

Article X Delegations

Section 1. Delegations, subject to approval by the board of directors, will be appointed by the President to represent the club at any convention, meeting, or assembly that may be deemed necessary. Delegations are authorized to exercise only those powers specifically vested in them by the board of directors.

Article XI Amendments

Section 1. The club constitution and by-laws may be amended at regular or special meetings of the membership, provided the Board of Directors has previously approved the merits of the proposed amendments. Members in good standing present at the meeting will constitute a quorum for approval.

Article XII Charitable Donations

Section 1. Charitable donations on behalf of the Hamblen County Car Club will be in the form of Goods and Services only. Requests for charitable donations should be presented at a regular scheduled members meeting, and must therefore be approved by a majority vote of members attending a regular scheduled meeting.

Section 2. There will be a Charities Committee with a minimum of three members. The committee must include at least the current President, Treasurer, and one other member. The Charities Committee will investigate all requests presented within or outside of normal members meeting, and make recommendations for voting. The Charities Committee will be authorized to act in an emergency without prior membership approval to a maximum \$300 for Goods or Services.

(Example): There is a bona fide need by a club member due to a personal emergency, accident, house fire etc. and it is 20 days before a regular scheduled member meeting. The charities committee, by unanimous vote, authorizes goods or services on behalf of the club.

Section 3. The membership by special vote can authorize a cash charitable donation. These donations should be kept at a minimum. This provision should only be used when goods or services are not practical, and the charity is a well known local charity with known, sound financial business practices.