

Constitution of the
CAMP WILDERNESS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Preamble:

We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of an association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves the CAMP WILDERNESS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, and enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio in the community.

Article I—Membership:

All persons interesting in Amateur Radio communications and the programs of the Boy Scouts of America shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be by application and payment of required fees.

Article II—Officers:

Sec. 1—The officers of the club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Sec. 2—The officers of this club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present, provided there is a quorum, at the annual meeting. The term of office will begin immediately after the adjournment of the meeting in which they are elected.

Sec. 3—Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by special elections at the first regular meeting following the withdraw or resignation.

Sec. 4—Officers may be removed by a three-fourths vote of the membership.

Article III—Duties of Officers:

Sec. 1—The President shall preside at all meetings, and conduct them according to the rules adopted. He/she shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-Laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the club, and perform all other duties pertaining to the office of President.

Sec. 2—The Vice President shall assume all the duties of the President in his/her absence. In addition, he/she shall organize club activities, plan and recommend contests for operating benefits, and advance club interest and activity as approved by the club. He/she shall maintain close liaison with the ARRL Section

Emergency Coordinator to further club participation in the Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

Sec. 3—The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, submit membership applications, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting, and mail written notices to each member. At the expiration of his/her term he/she shall turn over all items belonging to the club to his/her successor.

Sec. 4—The Treasurer shall receive and receipt for all monies paid to the club; keep an accurate account of all monies received and expended; pay no bills without proper authorization (by the club or its officers constituting a business committee). At the end of each quarter he/she shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. At the end of his/her term he/she shall turn over everything in his/her possession belonging to the club to his/her successor.

Article IV—Meetings:

Sec. 1—The By-Laws shall provide for regular and special meetings. At meetings, a minimum of one-third of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 2—The annual meeting of the club will be held at 7:00 PM on the Saturday of the Camp Wilderness Spring Work Day, at Camp Wilderness. Items on the agenda will include the election of club officers and members of the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3—Special meetings may be called by the President or by the request to the President of any five voting members of the club. Notices shall be sent to members concerning special meetings and the business to be transacted. Only such business as designated shall be transacted. Such notices shall be sent so that in the ordinary postal service they arrive not less than 24 hours before the meeting time.

Sec. 4—Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Revised. The rules may be suspended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present.

Article V—Fees

Sec. 1—The Club, by majority vote of those present at the annual meeting, will set the annual membership fee to be paid.

Sec. 2—The fees shall be immediately due. Non-payment of the fee within three months of the annual meeting shall be cause for removal from the active membership roll and loss of the benefits of Club membership, including voting

rights. Members in arrears who wish to reactivate their membership rights may do so by paying a full year's membership dues.

Sec. 3—A member who joins the Club between annual meetings will have his first year's membership fee reduced to one-twelfth of the annual fee times the number of months remaining until the next annual meeting.

Sec. 4—The Club may levy enrollment fees to cover the cost of conducting training courses plus an amount to be determined by the instructor with the approval of the club officers. The enrollment fee for non-members shall be higher than the amount of the annual membership fee. Non-members may apply this excess toward their membership fee if they apply for membership during the duration of the training course in which they are enrolled. These enrollment fees are payable to the Club Treasury and any surplus shall remain in the Treasury to be used for the benefit of the Club. Such surplus is a desirable source of revenue for the Club.

Article VI—Membership Assistance

Sec. 1—The Club will provide technical assistance to members concerning equipment design and operation; assist in frequency observance, clean signal transmission, uniform practice, and absence of spurious radiations from Club stations or Club-member stations.

Sec. 2—Club members using the Club station shall use the Club Call sign.

Sec. 3—The Club shall maintain a program to foster and guide public relations.

Article VII—Amendments

Sec. 1—The Constitution or its By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the total membership. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular general meeting and shall be voted upon at the second following regular general meeting.

Sec. 2—All members shall be notified by mail of the intent to amend the Constitution and/or By-Laws and absentee ballots shall be prepared and mailed to all members at least one month in advance of the meeting at which the amendment will be voted upon.

Article VIII—Effectiveness

Sec. 1—This Constitution will take effect one day after the general meeting at which it was adopted.