

Barre Sportsmen's Club



Welcome New Member!

Barre Sportsmen's Club, Inc.

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Member meetings are the 1st Thursday of every month @ 7:30pm

Board of Directors meeting is the 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:30p or
as announced by the BOD

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Constitution and by-laws for the Barre Sportsmen's Club, Inc.

Article I. Name

The name shall be Barre Sportsman's Club

Article II. Objectives

The purpose for which this club is organized include:

1. To conserve, restore, and manage the game, fish , and other wildlife and its habitat, in Barre and its environs;
2. to seek to procure better fishing and hunting for sportsmen;
3. to cooperate in obtaining the proper respect for and observation of the fish and game laws;
4. To promote safe handling of firearms, and so far as possible, to spread knowledge of useful wildlife among the residents of Barre.
5. The association shall operate without profit, shall be non-political and non-sectarian.

Article III. Membership

Section I. Any citizen of the United States, of suitable character and interest, may be voted into membership by a majority of the active members of the club present at any stated meeting.

Section II. The club shall not discriminate against race, creed, color, sex or religion.

Section III. Active members of the club shall be those persons elected to membership as herein provided, whose membership fees are paid in full. Charter members shall be those members who are in good standing on September 1, 1958.

Section IV. The yearly dues of each member of the club are broken down as follows:

Active yearly membership \$40.00

Non active yearly membership \$80.00

Active military membership \$FREE

New member membership fee \$100.00

Junior membership \$5.00 (status expires at age 18, or when out of school (college) whichever term is greater)

Active membership is defined as:

1. Performing 10 hours of verifiable club work per year.
2. Attending at least three (3) meetings per year.
3. Attending at least one (1) paid function per year.

Section V. By nomination of the board of directors, and by a majority vote of the active members, any suitable person may be elected to an honorary membership in the club. No fees or dues shall be required of such honorary members.

Section VI. Anyone wishing to pay the life member fee whom is already a member, may pay \$1,000.00 (five hundred dollars) to obtain such status. The fee is not refundable.

Section VII. As of October 2, 1986, anyone joining the club will pay their regular dues, plus initiation fee (thus the \$100 new member fee) up to age 65. From age 65 on, their dues will be fifty percent (50%) of the regular dues per year.

Article IV. Meetings

Section I. The annual meeting of the club shall be held on the first Thursday in September of each year.

Section II. At such meeting the order of business shall be:

Minutes of previous meeting

Treasurer's report

Reports of other officers and the Board of Directors

Old Business

New Business

Election of Officers

Election of Bar Manager

Section III. Regular meetings of the club shall be held at such places and dates as may be deemed suitable by the members.

Section IV. A special meeting of the club may be called by the Board of Directors, the President, or whenever one-third (1/3) of the voting members of the club in good standing shall make a written request to the President for the same, specifying the object of the meeting; and providing that not less than ten days written notice of such meeting be given to the members.

Section V. All meetings shall be conducted according to the Robert's Rules of Order, and open discussion from the floor on all measures shall be permitted and encouraged.

Section VI. No person not a member of the club shall be present at a meeting of the club unless the President or Board of Directors shall specifically invite him/her.

Section VII. Notice of every annual meeting of the club shall be provided by the Secretary to every member of the club at least ten days before the day of such meeting.

Article V. Meeting Quorum

Section I. At regular and special meetings not less than eight (8) of the active members of the club shall constitute a quorum.

Section II. At meetings of the Board of Directors a majority of the total members of the Board shall constitute a quorum and a majority vote of the Directors present shall prevail.

Article VI. Management

Section I. The management of the club shall be vested in the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and six Directors.

Article VII. Election of Officers and Club Manager

Section I. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and (6) six members. At each annual meeting the club shall elect two (2) members to replace the two retiring Board of Directors. Board of Directors shall hold office for three (3) years.

Section II. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected by a vote of the members and hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. No President or Vice President of the club shall hold the same office for more than two (2) consecutive years.

Section III. In the event of any vacancy of any office for any reason, the members of the club shall elect some member in good standing to fill the unexpired term until the next general election.

Section IV. Club (bar) manager shall be elected by vote of the members and hold office for one (1) year.

Article VIII. Duties of the Officers

Section I. Board of Directors

Part A. After a majority vote of the club on each particular subject, it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to manage all of the affairs on any and all questions, contracts necessary for the proper transaction of all the management, care, conduct, and control and supervision of the club.

Part B. It shall be the duty of the said Board of Directors to prescribe and publish rules regulating the use and occupancy of the rooms of the club, and care and protection of the property.

Part C. The board shall meet for the transactions of business on the first Thursday of each month and at any other time at the call of the President or any two (2) Board of Directors, provided notice shall be given to each member of the Board before the time appointed for said meeting.

Part D. At the annual meeting of the club, the Board of Directors shall make a full report of their proceedings during the preceding fiscal year, and recommend such measures as they may deem advisable.

Part E. Any member of the Board of Directors who shall be absent themselves from three (3) consecutive meetings of such board, unless they shall offer at the next monthly meeting an

excuse for their absence, which is satisfactory to the Board, shall be deemed to have resigned as a member of said Board and cease to be a member thereof.

Part F. In no case where a resolution has been passed at a meeting of the Board of Directors affecting the relations of any member of the club toward the club shall such resolution be reviewed at a subsequent meeting without notice in writing sent by the Secretary of every member of the Board of Directors at least ten (10) days before the meeting.

Part G. It shall be the duties of the Board of Directors:

1. To appoint delegates to the different associations which this club may be a member, or for the purpose of conferring with any association or club respecting any matter in which this club may be concerned.
2. To make rules for the conduct of the members of the club and for their use of the club's property.
3. To suspend or expel a member for any conduct in violations of rules, or behavior improper or prejudicial to the interest of the club.
4. To fix and enforce penalties for the violations of rules.
5. To prescribe rules for the admission of strangers or guests to the privileges of the club.
6. To call special meetings of the club to consider special subjects.
7. To prescribe additional duties for any of the Officers, in addition to those herein set forth.

Section II. President

Part A. The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and Board of Directors and enforce all laws and regulations of the club. They shall perform such duties as shall be imposed upon them by resolution of the Board of Directors. The President shall, with the Secretary, sign all written contracts and written obligations of the Club.

Part B. The President shall have the power to appoint the following committees whenever it becomes necessary:

Committee on Finance

Committee on Legislation

Committee on Conservation

Committee on Fishing

Committee on Entertainment

And other committees as may be suggested by the Board of Directors.

Section III. Vice President

Part A. In the absence of the President, their duties shall be performed by the Vice President. In the event of death or disability of the President, the Vice President shall become the acting President until such time the office is filled by the vote of the club membership.

Section IV. Secretary

Part A. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and other official reports of the club. They shall conduct the official correspondence of the club. They shall keep copies of the reports, books, documents and other papers relating to the club in such a place as shall be designated to them by the Board of Directors.

Section V. Treasurer

Part A. The Treasurer shall keep an account of all moneys received by them and deposit same in the name of the club in such bank as shall be designated by the Board of Directors. All bills pertaining to the running of the club shall be paid upon arrival, by the Treasurer, any bill pertaining to an activity shall be signed before payment by two (2) members of the Board of Directors.

Part B. At each monthly meeting of the Board of Directors they shall make a statement of the financial condition of the club, and at the annual meeting of the club they shall submit a detailed report of the financial condition of the club for the preceding fiscal year, report of which may be audited by accountant(s) designated by the Board of Directors.

Article IX. Annual Dues

Section I. Annuals dues become payable on April 1st of each year. Any member who shall fail to pay the annual dues within sixty days after same becomes due and payable, or who shall fail to pay any indebtedness to club within thirty days after a bill for the same has been rendered, shall be automatically expelled from the club.

Article X. Amendments

Section I. Amendments hereto may be made at the annual meeting, or at meetings called for the purpose, by a two-thirds vote of all the members present, provided (written) notice of the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Board of Directors and approved by a majority vote of the whole of said Board, and provided further that notice of the proposed amendment shall be given to all members by the Secretary. No by-laws can be changed or added unless passed at three consecutive meetings.

Article XI. Transfer of Funds

Section I. All committees shall turn over money raised in the name of the Barre Sportsman's Club to the Treasurer within 24 hours after said events, in order to prepare reports. The working funds for committees shall remain in the treasury until needed by the committee and at such time may be drawn out for the necessary purpose.