

RAMS

RACING ASSOCIATION FOR MODEL CARS OF SANTA CLARA VALLEY

CONSTITUTION

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ARTICLE I

This club shall called the Racing Association for Model Cars of Santa Clara Valley (RAMS). A non profit corporation.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

- A. To encourage interest and participation in the hobby of racing radio controlled scale model cars.
- B. To encourage interest and participation in the hobby of constructing detailed scale model cars.
- C. To organize and coordinate individual interests in the above hobbies into common channel for the enjoyment and benefit of the club members.
- D. To provide progress and leadership to other clubs.

ARTICLE III

POWERS

- A. The club shall have the power to own, hold and or lease, purchase, mortgage, sell or otherwise dispose of, in it name, personal property, namely one or more model race car tracks, their associated equipment or devices for operating same, and to purchase in its name, lease mortgage, sell or otherwise divest itself of any interest therein for use in connection with the stated purpose and only in the interest of the club and in the furtherance of it's objectives; and the club shall operate as a nonprofit organization; to perform or contract for the performance of work or services deemed necessary or desirable in carrying on or furthering the purpose of the club.
- B. To generate, publish and maintain rules regulations governing the rights and activities on its members in the use of the club's facilities and in the accomplishment of the stated purpose of the club.
- C. To carry on all other business and not specifically herein mentioned and not inconsistent with the law and the interest of this constitution in the furtherance of the stated purposes of this club.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

- A. The membership shall not be limited by race, color or creed.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS

A. The club may meet BI monthly at a time and place designated by the club officers. The purpose of these meetings shall be centered on social activities, technical exchanges, swap meets, etc.

B. Any regular meeting may be postponed by any of club officer, notification via the website.

C. The President can call a special meeting at any time, whenever the membership shall call upon him to do so or as stated for special conditions in the by-laws.

D. Business meetings will be held concurrent with the annual election meeting or as called for by the President.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICERS

A. The officers shall be President , Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer as a minimum. The Race Director(s), Special Events Chairman, and Competition Director officers should be filled.

B. An election meeting for the purpose of electing officers will be held on the first Wednesday night of November, or at the annual awards meeting.

C. Tenure of office shall be one (1) year with no limit to number of re-elections.

D. Officers shall be elected by majority vote of the club member's presents at an election meeting.

E. Two weeks prior notice of an election meeting must be given to all club members and announced on the website.

F . The officers shall constitute the Executive Board.

G. In the case of a vacancy occurring between elections, the Executive Board shall appoint a club member to fill the post except for the office of President in which case the replacement shall be elected by the club at a special meeting for the remainder of the existing term on the office.

H. Recall or impeachment of an officer can only be accomplished by two-third majority vote of the total active club membership. The vote must be by secret ballot. Such a meeting can be called by any member of the club provided that each member of the club (including the officer in question) receive one week prior notice of the meeting including a statement of its purpose and a full description of the reason for the proposed action. Each member absent from such a meeting shall be counted as a vote of confidence in favor of the officer in question.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS

The constitution can only be amended at the annual election meeting by a majority vote of those members present, provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted to all club members present at the meeting and changes are reviewed and discussed.