

SOUTHERN HIGH ROLLERS 4X4 CLUB BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I NAME

This organization shall be known as the Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club

ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

The Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club is organized as a nonprofit organization for the purpose of:

- a. Providing social, educational and recreational activities for its membership.
- b. Participating in and supporting civic activities for the betterment of the community.
- c. To render aid and assistance as needed.
- d. To adhere to the principles and practices of Southwest Four Wheel Drive Association (SWFWDA) and United Four Wheel Drive Association (UFWDA).

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Owners of four-wheel drive vehicles are eligible for membership in the Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club.

Each membership is for one (1) person, children in the member's family are considered Honorary Members until the age of eighteen (18), however, voting power is restricted to those family members' eighteen (18) years of age or over, and family membership is limited to a maximum of two (2) votes. Associate Members cannot vote nor do they have the right to run for office.

Applicants for membership must be at least eighteen (18) years of age (exceptions may be made by decision of the Board of Directors), must hold a valid driver's license and must show minimum insurance coverage on their 4X4 vehicles.

All membership applications are subject to review by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse membership to anyone for good cause.

Should the Board of Directors deny membership to an applicant, a club member may appeal to the Board on the applicant's behalf at the next scheduled Board Meeting. In the case of a non-unanimous vote on appeal, the application will be presented to the membership for vote at the next scheduled meeting.

All members must conduct themselves in a respectable and orderly fashion whether in or out of club activities.

Any member disgracing himself in the public eye will be immediately subject to expulsion from the club, subject to decision by the Board of Directors.

Dues for this organization shall be forty-five dollars (\$45.00) per family membership per year; forty dollars (\$40.00) for an individual per year and twenty-two (\$22.00) for an associate membership per year, payable within one (1) month of application or by July 31st in case of renewal.

~~Family and Individual Members will be added to the membership role of UFWDA thru SHR. (Associate Members do not become members of UFWDA thru SHR.)-07/17/10~~

Members will be dropped for failure to pay dues. Nothing herein contained shall prevent reinstatement of the delinquent member upon payment in full of his/her unpaid dues.

Members shall immediately notify the Secretary upon a change of address, mailing address or telephone number.
Resignation of any member shall be in writing and submitted to the Secretary.

When a member disposes of or no longer possesses a four-wheel drive vehicle, and has not acquired another such vehicle within six (6) months, his membership in this club shall terminate. The BOD may grandfather existing members even if they no longer own a 4x4 vehicle.

ARTICLE IV CHARTER

Members who adopt and sign the By-Laws of the Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club on or before 08/22/1993, shall be known as Charter Members.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Meetings of the membership of the Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club shall be held once monthly at such times and places as may be designated by majority vote of club members.

Ten (10) or more voting members shall constitute a quorum for a membership meeting.

ARTICLE VI ADMINISTRATION OF OFFICERS

A President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be known as the Executive Committee. It shall be their duty to draw up agenda for all board and membership meetings, and it shall be their further duty to assume the function of the Board of Directors in case of emergency. The Board of Directors shall consist of the members of the Executive Committee, the immediate past president and two (2) directors elected by the membership. No new office shall be added to the club except by the vote of the majority of the entire membership of the club.

ARTICLE VII DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The President shall preside over all membership and board meetings and shall be present at all events when possible.

He shall be the Executive Officer and shall have the duty to carry out the policies and decisions of the Board of Directors.

He shall be without right of vote on the Board of Directors except in the event of a tie.

The Vice President shall, in the absence of the President, serve in that capacity.

He shall also serve as a Parliamentarian and perform such other duties as assigned by the Board of Directors.

The Secretary shall keep and preserve all records and minutes of the meetings of the regular membership and the ledger of roll call and determine the number of voting members present so it may be known if a quorum is in attendance, shall keep a file system of membership and shall receive and answer all general correspondence pertaining to the organization.

The Treasurer shall keep accurate, complete records of the funds and accounts of this organization shall collect all dues and maintain a record thereof. He shall make only such disbursements from the funds of the organization as are directed by the Board of Directors and Article VIII hereof.

ARTICLE VIII
EXPENDITURES AND FINANCE

All moneys received from all sources shall immediately be turned over to the Treasurer to be deposited in the checking account of the Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club.

Expenditures up to and including fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be considered petty cash and may be paid at the discretion of the Treasurer.

Expenditures between fifty dollars (\$50.00) and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Expenditures over one hundred dollars (\$100.00) must be approved by a vote of the members at the regular business meeting after the business meeting at which the expenditure was proposed, a quorum being present at both meetings.

All expenditures shall be made by check, and the item for which each check is drawn shall be designated on the front of each.

ARTICLE IX
COMMITTEES

Committees shall be designated by the Board of Directors.

Each committee shall be assigned by the President to a director who shall be responsible for its activities.

ARTICLE X
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The membership shall meet and elect officers and directors for each fiscal (July 1st/June 30th) at the regular June meeting.

The newly elected officers shall take office on July 1st.

Voting shall be in person or by written and signed proxy.

The candidates for office must be regular members in good standing.

The candidates for the office of treasurer must be bondable, to be paid by club.

A majority of vote's cast is necessary for election to an office or position on the Board of Directors.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer, an election shall be called to elect a successor.

ARTICLE XI
RECALL

Any officer or director of the Southern High Rollers 4x4 Club may be recalled by a two third majority (2/3) vote of the entire membership.

Missing 3 scheduled business meetings in succession shall be deemed grounds for recall, however, this does not preclude an officer from resigning his office.

ARTICLE XII
EVENTS

All events shall be subject to approval of the Board of Directors.

Events will be under the direction of a Trip Leader.

All members, including the Executive Committee, are responsible to the direction of the Trip Leader and his appointed assistants from the set time of the beginning of an event to the termination of an event.

All events must be conducted in an orderly manner and with safety as the prime factor. Any event held on private property will be subject to liability releases.

No member or guest under the age of eighteen (18) years will be permitted to drive in any event unless accompanied by or with written permission of parent or guardian.

All competitive events shall be under the direct authority, supervision and control of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall determine entrance classifications and regulations for various events and shall determine trophies and awards to be presented.

Anyone determined to be physically or mentally disturbed at the time of an event shall be disqualified.

Vehicles may be subject to technical inspection, varying according to the type of event, and shall be disqualified if found to be mechanically unsafe.

All members and guests participating in an event shall abide by the state Motor Vehicle Code of the state concerned and by the laws regulated by the city, the county or the circumstances involved.

ARTICLE XIII RULES AND PROCEDURES

Unless otherwise specified in By-Laws, Roberts Rules of Order Revised shall govern parliamentary procedures.

ARTICLE XIV AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds majority (2/3) vote at a regular membership meeting, a quorum being present voting.

Any amendment to the By-Laws must be presented to the membership at the regular membership meeting preceding that in which the vote is taken.

Additional updates added:

9/15/01 – Article III Updated by vote:

1. Single Member Fee From \$25.00 to \$30.00

5/18/02 – Article III Updated by vote:

1. The Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse membership to anyone for good cause.
2. All membership applications are subject to review by the BOD.

6/15/02 – Article III Updated by vote:

1. Should the Board of Directors deny membership to an applicant, a club member may appeal to the Board on the applicant's behalf at the next scheduled Board Meeting. In the case of a non-unanimous vote on appeal, the application will be presented to the membership for vote at the next scheduled meeting.

7/20/02 – Article III Updated by vote:

1. Each membership is for one (1) person, children in the members family are considered Honorary Members until the age of eighteen (18), however, voting power is restricted to those family members' eighteen (18) years of age or over, and family membership is limited to a maximum of two (2) votes. **Associate Members cannot vote nor do they have the right to run for office.**
2. Dues for this organization shall be thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) per family membership per year; thirty dollars (\$30.00) for an individual per year and **twenty-two (\$22.00) for an associate membership per year**, payable within one (1) month of application or by July 31st in case of renewal.

Family and Individual Members will be added to the membership roles of SWFWDA and UFWDA thru SHR. (Associate Members do not become members of SWFWDA or UFWDA thru SHR.)

7/17/04 – Article VII Updated by vote:

1. **A motion was made to remove only require one signature on SHR checks.**
 - a. **To complete this action the following lines were stricken from Section VII**
 - i. (Duties of President) He shall sign all checks with the Treasurer unless both are members of the same family.
 - ii. (Duties of Secretary) He shall sign checks with the Treasurer in the event the President and Treasurer are members of the same family.

7/17/04 – Article III Updated by vote (Last Paragraph Changed):

1. When a member disposes of or no longer possesses a four-wheel drive vehicle, and has not acquired another such vehicle within six (6) months, his membership in this club shall terminate. **The BOD may grandfather existing members even if they no longer own a 4x4 vehicle.**

4/19/08 – Article III Updated by vote:

1. Dues for this organization shall be forty-five dollars (\$45.00) per family membership per year; forty dollars (\$40.00) for an individual per year associate remains at twenty-two (\$22.00), payable within one (1) month of application or by July 31st in case of renewal.

Family and Individual Members will be added to the membership roles of UFWDA ONLY thru SHR. (Associate Members do not become members of UFWDA thru SHR.)

7/17/10 – Article III Updated by vote:

1. Automatic individual membership in United Four Wheel Drive Association will no longer be included as part of a Family or Individual memberships.