

**THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
CORVETTE CLUB OF RICHMOND, INC.**

**ARTICLE I
NAME AND INSIGNIA**

- Section 1 This organization shall be known as the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc.
Section 2 This organization shall have such official insignia as the membership determines.

**ARTICLE II
OBJECT**

- Section 1 The object of this organization shall be to promote interest in various types of automotive activities and to show courtesy and sportsmanship to all motorists. The object shall further be to promote safe driving, to encourage ownership and interest in the Corvette, and to encourage participation in various Club activities.

**ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP**

- Section 1 A) Membership in the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc. shall be limited to those persons and their respective spouses or significant others who own a Corvette, possess a valid operator's license. Any applicant under 21 years of age, must be sponsored by a current member of the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc.
B) Associate Membership in the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc. shall be limited to those persons and their respective spouses or significant others who show an interest in the Corvette and also possess a valid operators' license. Associate members may participate in all meetings and events but will have no voting rights. Associate memberships accepted after January 1, 2002, will be limited to a term not to exceed fifteen (15) months, and will expire at the end of the current dues period.
- Section 2 Each person wishing to become a member of the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc. must fill out an application form which must then be approved by the Executive Board. This application is then presented to the Club for final approval.
- Section 3 Each applicant for the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc. membership must be approved by 100% of the Board members present and voting at the Board meeting. Each applicant for membership must also be approved by 80% of the members present and voting at the regular Club meeting. Voting may be by secret ballot.
- Section 4 Each applicant for the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc. membership must attend one regular Club meeting and/or one Club event. This requirement must be met within the 110 days prior to the date on which the board votes upon the application.
- Section 5 Waiver of any membership requirement may be recommended by the Executive Board. Such waiver must then be voted upon at a regular Club meeting. Waiver shall be used on an individual case basis only.
- Section 6 Any member may be expelled from the Club upon conviction of violating the Club Constitution and By-laws or a state or federal law. In order to expel a member, a board meeting must be held, the offender must be invited, and the Board, acting as jury, must decide the verdict.
- Section 7 Any member may withdraw his membership by submitting a written request stating his reasons for withdrawal. He may, however, be reinstated at his request, subject to the 80% approval of the members present and voting at a regular Club meeting.

**ARTICLE IV
MEETINGS**

- Section 1 General membership meetings will be held once per month or as often as determined by the majority of the members present at any such meeting.
Section 2 Meetings of the Executive Board will be held on dates selected by that Board or at the call of the President.

**ARTICLE V
DUES**

- Section 1 Dues for members are \$25 per year; dues for spouses or significant others are \$10 per year. Dues are payable December 1 and are non-refundable.
Section 2 Dues will be considered delinquent thirty days after the date they are payable. When dues become delinquent, the Executive Board may revoke membership. If a person expelled under this section wishes to be reinstated, he/she must pay a \$3 fine plus current year dues.
Section 3 When a new (first-time) member joins in the last quarter, dues paid will be considered payment for the next year's dues (which could in effect turn their membership into a 13, 14 or up to 15 month membership, depending upon the month joining.)

ARTICLE VI
GOVERNING BODY

- Section 1 The government of this organization shall be vested in an Executive Board consisting of the major Club officers. These major Club officers are the President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster.
- Section 2 The Executive Board will have control and management of the organization subject to the will of the membership. Funds of the Club may be withdrawn from the bank in which they are deposited by the signature of the Treasurer. Withdrawals of \$50 or more must have prior approval by the President or Vice President.
- Section 3 Vacancies in the Executive Board or in any office may be filled by vote of the Board. Such appointees will serve the duration of the term of the individual being replaced.
- Section 4 Robert's Rules of Order will govern the proceedings of all meetings of this organization and its constituent parts except as provided by this Constitution.
- Section 5 The immediate past President of the Club shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Board. He/she will serve in an advisory capacity for a period of one year following expiration of his/her term.

ARTICLE VII
ELECTION

- Section 1 The officers of this organization shall be elected by secret ballot or as determined by the majority of members present and voting. Those officers will then hold office for a period of one year. The nominee for President or Vice President must have one year's membership. Prior membership time may be counted.
- Section 2 Nominations will be held each October and November. Elections will be held each November.
- Section 3 New officers will take office at the first general membership meeting following their election.
- Section 4 Officers are elected by a majority of members present and voting.
- Section 5 Absentee Ballots on forms approved by the Executive Board will be acceptable for the annual election of officers.

ARTICLE VIII
DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- Section 1 The President is the chief executive officer of this organization.
- Section 2 The Vice President presides at meetings in the absence of the President and works closely with the President.
- Section 3 The Recording Secretary, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Historian will have such duties as designated by the Executive Board.
- Section 4 The Treasurer will keep a record of all dues and of all other financial matters of the Club.
- Section 5 The Sergeant-at-Arms will enforce the Corvette Club of Richmond, Inc.'s Constitution and By-Laws and Robert's Rules of Order at all Club assemblies.
- Section 6 The Newsletter Editor will prepare and mail the Club newsletter as directed by the Executive Board. The contents of the publication will be a joint effort of the membership and the Executive Board.
- Section 7 The Webmaster will convey, via the CCR Website, the Newsletter and any Club information as directed by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IX
COMMITTEES

- Section 1 The President will appoint all committee chairpersons and vice-chairpersons. Such appointments are subject to the approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X
LIABILITY OF OFFICERS

- Section 1 During the term of office and thereafter, no officer of the Club will be liable to the Club or its membership by reason of any action taken or omitted by him in good faith in his capacity as an officer.

ARTICLE XI
AMENDMENTS

- Section 1 This Constitution may be amended by 80% vote of the members present and voting at any general membership or special meeting provided notice of the proposed action has been given to each Club member at least five days in advance.