

East Texas Lake Unit Constitution

ARTICLE I NAME OF ORGANIZATION

Sec. 1 This organization is a chartered Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. and shall be known as the East Texas Lakes Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

Sec. 1 The objectives of this non-profit organization **shall** be:

- To furnish encouragement and assistance in the development of the **Unit** and thus afford fraternization for recreational vehicle owners.
- To encourage safe driving and assist in improving the general welfare of the recreational vehicle public through assistance and active participation of all its members in building a strong organization for the betterment of good will toward recreational vehicle travel.
- To coordinate with and participate in the interests and activities of the International and the Region.
- To cooperate with other organizations and units within our sphere which are seeking to elevate the standards and ethics of the various groups.
- To disseminate information of an advisory and educational nature which will be of value to its members and the public.
- To study, advise and recommend legislation which is in the interest of the recreational vehicle public and oppose all legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the recreational vehicle public.
- To encourage government and private agencies to provide more and better recreational vehicle parks and facilities.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

Sec. 1 An adult who owns a hard-sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. shall be eligible for membership. (1/19/07)

Sec. 2 There are two classes of membership in this **Unit**; Regular and Affiliate Members. (1/19/07)

Sec. 3 An applicant for membership in this **Unit** must submit an application in writing and, upon the payment of International and **Unit** dues, shall be a Regular. Member of this Unit. (7/8/94)

Sec. 4 Regular Members who have sold their recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members of this **Unit** pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Sec. 2, of the International Constitution. Such Regular Members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including full voting rights in all elections and on all questions. (7/5/96)

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- Sec. 5 Any member of Wally Byam Airstream Club may become an Affiliate member in this **Unit/Club** by an application to the Membership Chair and upon acceptance shall possess all the rights and privileges of the **Unit/Club** except: (2022)
- The right to hold office in the Unit
 - The right to vote in the selection or election of officers in the Unit, Region or International or on any amendment to the Unit or the International Constitution.
 - The right to vote on the dissolution of the **Unit**, consolidation of the **Unit** with one or more Local Clubs, or the merger of the **Unit** with another. (1/19/07)
- Sec. 6 Applicants for Affiliate membership in this **Unit** must submit dues and show evidence of membership in the International Club through another duly chartered Unit (6/23/01)
- Sec. 7 Failure to pay either **Unit** or International dues will automatically terminate membership in the **Unit**.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

- Sec. 1 The officers of the **Unit** shall be Regular members of the **Unit** and **shall** consist of:
- President
 - First Vice President
 - Second Vice President
 - Corresponding Secretary
 - Recording Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Trustees (6/23/01)
- Sec. 2 The Officers shall be elected at the September business meeting. They shall be installed and assume office in October. An officer, except for Trustees, shall serve in office for a term of one year or until a successor is elected. Officers are duly nominated and elected for each term of office. (6/2/18)
- Sec. 3 The Trustees shall be elected at the September business meeting, each for a term of two years, but arranged so that only one-half such Trustees terms expire in any one year. (6/2/18)
- Sec. 4 An officer who advances to an office pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 5 of this ARTICLE shall not be deemed to have served a full term in such office unless said service is for a period of greater than one-half (1/2) the term of such office. (1/19/07)
- Sec. 5 In the event of the death or resignation of the President or the death, advancement or resignation of a Vice President, or an officer's inability to fulfill the duties of office, the next ranking Vice President (in the order first, second) shall advance thereto. All other vacancies on the Executive Board, except that of the Immediate Past President, shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board. (1/21/94)

ARTICLE V

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

- Sec. 1 The Executive Board shall consist of all of the **Unit** officers plus the immediate Past President of the **Unit**. (1/15/99)
- Sec. 2 The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the **Unit** and shall define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to the **Unit**, and exercise general control and supervision of all officers and committees.
- Sec. 3 The President or any two members of the Board may call a business meeting of the Executive Board at any time deemed necessary. (1/19/07)
- Sec. 4 A quorum of the Executive Board consists of a majority of its members.

ARTICLE VI UNIT BUSINESS MEETINGS

- Sec. 1 The business of the Unit shall be held during the months of March, June, September and December. Additional business meetings may be held during the rally of the Unit, and also may be called at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The date, time, location and purpose of all Unit business meetings shall be announced to the members in writing at least fifteen days prior to the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at any business meeting shall be not less than 10 percent of the membership. (6/2/18)
- Sec. 2 All Regular Members, including spouse or partner, voting at the annual or additional business meetings of this organization, shall each have one vote. (2022)
- Sec. 3 Ballots submitted by email, regular mail or facsimile may also be accepted from Regular Members. The President and Recording Secretary shall ensure no member casts more than one ballot. Votes allowed in this manner should be received by the **Unit/Club** no later than two (2) days before the regular or special meeting at which a vote is to be taken. These votes must be kept confidential until voting at a meeting has taken place. Such ballots also count as a part of the quorum for such a business meeting. (2022)

ARTICLE VII BYLAWS

- Sec. 1 Bylaws consistent with this Constitution and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of the Unit may be adopted by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

- Sec. 1 Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for their consideration.

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Sec. 2 Any Article or Section of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting at a business meeting of the **Unit** or a special meeting called for that purpose providing in either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been mailed first-class to each member of the **Unit** at least fifteen days prior to the meeting.

Sec. 3 All amendments to this Constitution shall become effective upon adoption.

This Constitution, as last amended, was adopted by the membership on:

Date: June 2, 2018 At Hillsboro, Texas 76645