

East Texas Lakes Unit Constitution

ARTICLE I NAME OF ORGANIZATION

- Sec. 1 **Organization Name:** 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 **Objective:** 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~~Club which are seeking to to elevate the various groups' standards and ethics of the various groups.
 - To disseminate advisory and educational information ~~of an advisory and educational nature which will be of value~~that will be valuable to its members and the public.
 - To study, advise, and recommend legislation ~~which~~that is in the interest of the recreational vehicle public and oppose all discriminatory and damaging 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 **Requirement:** An adult who owns a hard-sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. shall be eligible for membership. (1/19/07)
- Sec. 2 **Classes of Membership:** There are two classes of membership in this Unit; Regular and Affiliate Members. (1/19/07)
- Sec. 3 **Regular Membership Application:** An applicant for membership in this Unit must ~~apply-submit an application~~ in writing and shall be a Regular Member; upon the payment of International and Unit dues, ~~shall be a Regular Member of this Unit.~~ (7/8/94)
- Sec. 4 **Sale of Airstream Vehicle:** 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 according 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 **Affiliate Member:** 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, through the affiliated Unit, in the selection or election of officers in the Unit, or 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 **Affiliate Membership Application:** 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 Dues:** Failure to pay either Unit or International dues will ~~automatically terminate Unit membership in the Unit.~~
- ~~Sec. 8 **Voting Rights:** An owner of an Airstream and their spouse/partner who joins the Unit as Regular Members will have one vote person in the election of officers at the Local and International levels and amendments to their respective Constitutions.~~

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

- Sec. 1 **Officers and Executive Board Members:** 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 **Officer Election and Term of Office:** The Officers shall be elected at the ~~September~~annual business meeting. They shall be installed and assume office in ~~October~~November. 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 **Trustee Election and Term of Office:** The Trustees shall be elected at the ~~September~~annual business meeting, each for a term of two years, but arranged so that only one-half of such Trustees terms expire in any ~~one~~ year. (6/2/18)
- Sec. 4 **Full Term of Office:** An officer who advances to an office ~~according pursuant~~ to the provisions of Sec. 5 of this ~~Article~~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)

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Sec. 5 **Vacancies:** 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 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Sec. 1 **Composition:** The Executive Board shall consist of all of the ~~Unit~~ officers plus the immediate Past President of the Unit. (1/15/99)

Sec. 2 **Governance:** The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the Unit ~~and~~. It 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 **Call of Meeting:** 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 **Quorum:** A quorum of the Executive Board consists of a majority of its members.

ARTICLE VI UNIT BUSINESS MEETINGS

Sec. 1 **Meetings:** The annual business meeting of the Unit shall be held during the months ~~of March, June, September and of December~~ November. Additional business meetings may be held during any the Unit rally, ~~of the Unit, and also~~ They may also 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 **Voting Qualification:** All Regular Members, including spouse or partner, voting at this organization's ~~the~~ annual or additional business meetings, at the time of the voting period, of this organization, shall each have one vote. (2022)

Sec. 3 **Meeting Ballots:** Ballots submitted by electronic ballot 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

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- Sec. 1 **Bylaws:** 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:** 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.
- Sec. 2 **Constitution Amendments:** 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 i~~ In either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been ~~delivered~~mailed by first-class ~~or electronically~~ to each Unit member ~~of the Unit~~ at least fifteen days ~~before~~prior to the meeting. Provision for balloting may follow Article VI, Sec. 3, of this Constitution.
- Sec. 3 **Amendment Effective Date:** 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 by Electronic Vote 76645