

Northern California Airstream Club CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I NAME OF ORGANIZATION

Sec. 1 **Organization Name:** This organization is a chartered Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. It shall be known as the Northern California Airstream Club 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 developing the Club 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 goodwill 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 Club to elevate the various groups' standards and ethics.
- To disseminate advisory and educational information that will be valuable to its members and the public.
- To study, advise, and recommend legislation that is in the interest of the recreational vehicle public and oppose all discriminatory and damaging legislation 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.

Sec. 2 **Classes of Membership:** There are two classes of membership in this Club: Regular and Affiliate Members.

Sec. 3 **Regular Membership Application:** An applicant for membership in this Club must apply in writing, and shall be a Regular Member upon paying International and Club dues.

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 Club 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.

- Sec. 5 **Affiliate Member:** Any member of Wally Byam Airstream Club may become an Affiliate member in this Club by an application to the Membership Chair and, upon acceptance, shall possess all the rights and privileges of the Club except:
- The right to hold office in the Club.
 - The right to vote, through the Affiliated Club, in the selection or election of officers in the Club, or Region or on any amendment to the Club Constitution.
 - The right to vote on the dissolution of the Club, consolidation of the Unit/Club with one or more Local Clubs, or the merger of the Club with another.
- Sec. 6 **Affiliate Membership Application:** Applicants for Affiliate membership in this Club must submit dues and show evidence of membership in the International Club.
- Sec. 7 **Failure to Pay Dues:** Failure to pay either Club or International dues will automatically terminate Club membership.
- Sec. 8 **Voting Rights:** An owner of an Airstream and their spouse/partner who joins the Club as Regular Members will have one vote per person in the election of officers at the Local and International levels, as well as amendments to their respective Constitutions.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

- Sec. 1 **Officers and Executive Board Members:** The officers of the Club shall be Regular members of the Club, and shall consist of: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and four Trustees.
- Sec. 2 **Officer Election and Term of Office:** The Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting. They shall be installed and assume office at the December Rally. An officer, except for Trustees, shall serve in office for a term of one year or until a successor is elected, but in no case shall an officer be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office except the Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary or Treasurer provided they are duly nominated and elected for each term of office.
- Sec. 3 **Trustee Election and Term of Office:** The Trustees shall be elected at the annual business meeting, each for two years, but arranged so that only one-half of such Trustees' terms expire in any year. No Trustee shall serve more than one two-year term consecutively.
- Sec. 4 **Full Term of Office:** An officer who advances to an office according 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.
- 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. 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.

- Sec. 6 **Concurrent Offices.** A Member may hold two offices concurrently, but not the two offices of President and Treasurer, and shall have only one vote on each Executive Board issue.

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE BOARD

- Sec. 1 **Composition:** The Executive Board shall consist of all Club officers plus the immediate Past President of the Club.
- Sec. 2 **Governance:** The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the Club. It shall define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to the Club 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.
- Sec. 4 **Quorum:** A quorum of the Executive Board consists of a majority of its members.

ARTICLE VI BUSINESS MEETINGS

- Sec. 1 **Meetings:** The annual business meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of November. Additional business meetings may be held during any Club rally. They may also be called at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The date, time, location, and purpose of all Club business meetings shall be announced to the members in writing, or by email, at least fifteen days before the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at any business meeting shall be not less than 10% percent of the membership.
- Sec. 2 **Voting Qualification:** All Regular Members, including spouse or partner, voting at this organization's annual or additional business meetings, at the time of the voting period, shall each have one vote.
- 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 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.

ARTICLE VII BYLAWS

- 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 Club 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, or by email. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for 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 Club, or a special meeting called for that purpose. In either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments shall be delivered by mail or electronically to each Club member at least ten (10) days before 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.

Version History:

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11/06/2021 This constitution, as last amended, was adopted by vote of the Membership.

03/08/2025 This constitution, as last amended, was adopted by vote of the general membership at Paso Robles, CA.

03/08/2025 HQ CBL Committee provided written approval. Next review by HQ CBL Committee will be in 2030.