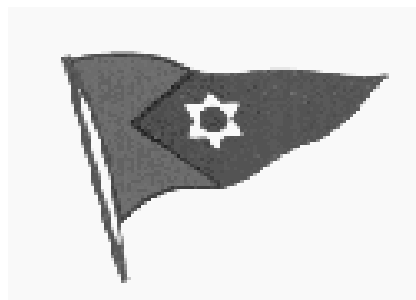


BY LAWS

of the

ROCHE HARBOR YACHT CLUB

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The name of this organization is Roche Harbor Yacht Club.

Section 2.

The Club is an unincorporated non-profit association whose purposes are to engage in social and recreational activities for its members; to provide facilities for this purpose; and to encourage yachting, pleasure boating and marine activities in the Pacific Northwest.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

Any person or family as defined below in section 3 and a legal resident of the United States , twenty one (21) years of age or over, or as otherwise provided herein, and of good moral character, may be extended an invitation to join this Club

Section 2.

The Club shall have the following four (4) classes of membership:

A. - ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP: Active membership will consist of individuals who have bona fide ownership interest in any vessel propelled by a regularly installed engine or by sails on a fixed mast. Active members who dispose of their boat may retain active membership. Total Active Membership shall be limited to Two Hundred (200) members.

B. - SENIOR MEMBERSHIP: Senior Membership may be conferred by the Board of Trustees upon an Active Member who meets one of the following criteria:

1. Age 65 or over, has been an Active Member in good standing continuously for ten (10) years, and is a Past Commodore of RHYC. OR
2. Age 65 or older, has been an Active Member in good standing continuously for fifteen (15) years

This class of membership shall be eligible to vote, may fly the burgee and attend all Club functions. Boat ownership is not required. Senior members shall pay reduced dues as determined by the Board of Trustees, but will pay no assessments. Qualifying members must apply to the Board of Trustees for this type of membership. They may return to active membership by notifying the Board and paying the dues and assessments of an Active Member.

C. - ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: Persons without boat ownership, but otherwise qualified to be active members may be invited into associate membership. Associate members shall be entitled to the privileges of Club activities but shall not be eligible to vote or to fly the club burgee. Associate members shall pay reduced initiation fees and dues as determined by the Board.

D. - HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: Honorary membership may be conferred by unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees upon persons who, in the discretion of the Board, are worthy of such. The surviving spouse of a deceased active member, who does not remain active in Club activities, may be granted this membership. Boat ownership is not required. Dues and assessments are waived. . An active member in good standing who has been bestowed honorary membership may return to active or senior membership by notifying the Board and paying appropriate dues and assessments

Section 3.

Voting members of the Club shall be the Active and Senior Members. Each family shall have one vote, family being defined as a single person, married couple, or a person with a spouse equivalent.

Section 4.

Succession of Membership – Upon death of an active member, such membership shall automatically pass to the surviving spouse who shall assume all obligations and privileges of that class of membership. There shall be no succession beyond the original member except the surviving spouse.

ARTICLE III: APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

Applicants for all classes of new membership must be proposed in writing by one member in good standing and seconded by another member hereafter referred to as sponsors. This is to be done on an application form provided by the Club and approved by the Board of Trustees. The name(s) of the proposed applicant, together with the name(s) of the sponsor, shall be published in the Anchor Watch prior to voting into membership. The initiation fee must accompany the application, and the application and initiation fee shall be forwarded to the Membership Chairman

Section 2.

As soon as the written application is properly signed and received, the application will be referred to the Membership Committee, which shall conduct the investigation and report its findings to the Board of Trustees.

Section 3.

When the above requirements of this Article have been fulfilled, the Board of Trustees shall invite the applicant to membership by a unanimous vote. The application will be returned to the Membership Chairman to notify the new member of their acceptance and they will be billed for pro-rated annual dues. The annual dues will be prorated to the first day of the month following the board approval.

Section 4.

When an applicant for Club membership has been approved by the Board of Trustees, the applicant shall be notified by phone, e-mail or written notification by the Membership Chairman. The Membership Chairman shall arrange with his sponsor, or directly with the new member, to have them present at the earliest possible meeting or social event of the membership. The new member shall be introduced and presented with his membership packet, burgee (if appropriate to member class), and name tags with suitable formality and ceremony, if the new member cannot attend the next function or social event, the membership chairman will decide the best way to get the materials to the new member. Membership card will be issued by the Treasurer upon receipt of pro-rated dues. After receiving the membership material he shall be entitled to the privileges of the class of membership to which he has been accepted.

Section 5.

The Board of Trustees may by majority vote make exceptions to the above procedure and clarify details i.e. wait list procedure, moving from one class of membership to another, etc if deemed to be for the good of the Club.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION AND RENEWAL

Section 1.

Membership in this club may be suspended, terminated or reinstated as described in the following Sections.

Section 2.

Voluntary Resignation. - A member may voluntarily resign by submitting a written notice of resignation to the club Secretary The resignation shall not become effective until all financial obligations to the club have been satisfied.

Section 3.

Suspension or Termination. - Membership privileges may be suspended or terminated for violation of any part of these By Laws, including the following:

- a.) conduct unbecoming and prejudicial to the welfare of the club
- b.) failure to pay dues and assessments in a timely manner.
- c.) any other reason deemed sufficient to justify such action by the Board of Trustees.

Such suspension or termination shall be at the discretion of the board after review and discussion. Suspension of a member will be confirmed by a letter from the Commodore to the suspended member.

If a member's privileges have been terminated by action of the board, they shall not be eligible for reinstatement for a period of at least one year from the date of termination, at which time the former member may re-apply for membership in the club subject to the same requirements as a new member applicant.

Section 4.

Reinstatement.

Suspended. - Suspended membership privileges may be reinstated by the Board of Trustees after review of the conditions leading to suspension. This review must be requested by the suspended member within 10 days and be completed within 30 days following such request. If this review does not result in a reinstatement of membership privileges, then those privileges shall be terminated within the following 30 days.

Voluntary Resignation - Any member who has voluntarily resigned may be readmitted to membership by reapplication to the club and following the normal application process. At board discretion, membership may be reinstated without waitlist requirements.

ARTICLE V: INITIATION FEES, DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

Section 1.

Annual membership dues will be established from time to time based on a recommendation by the Board of Trustees and approved by club members.

Section 2.

A majority vote by the members of the Board of Trustees will be required to make such recommendations for changes to the membership. A majority vote of at least two-thirds of those members eligible to vote and attending a meeting for this purpose will be required for approval of the recommendation. Notice of at least ten (10) days in advance of such meeting must be given to all club members. This notice may be in the form of a separate mailing to each member or by an announcement in the club newsletter that such meeting is to take place.

Section 3.

Any proposed special assessments or levies against club members shall be handled in the same manner as the membership dues described in Section 2.

Section 4.

Annual membership dues shall be due and payable on January 31 of each year. Any such dues not paid by January 31 of each year shall be considered delinquent. Special assessments shall become due on the date voted and approved by club membership. Any such assessments not paid within 30 days of the due date set for such payments shall be considered delinquent.

Section 5.

Membership privileges for any member whose payment for dues or assessments become delinquent may be suspended or terminated at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. Reinstatement or renewal of suspended or terminated membership privileges shall be subject to the provisions of Article IV of these By Laws.

Section 6.

The Board of Trustees may, by majority vote, waive annual dues, special assessments or other miscellaneous charges for an individual member for reasons it deems appropriate.

ARTICLE VI: POLICY RULES

Section 1.

The Board of Trustees may from time to time, and by majority vote, promulgate policy rules for the general government, maintenance, and operation of the Club not inconsistent with these Bylaws

Section 2.

A permanent file of all policy rules in effect shall be maintained by the Secretary.

ARTICLE VII: GOVERNMENT

Section 1 – General Policies.

- A. - General policies governing the Club shall be established by majority vote of members present and voting at a business Meeting or Special Meeting called by the Commodore or Board, or at an Annual meeting, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws.
- B. - Roberts Rules of Order, revised, shall govern all procedures of the Club when not in conflict with these Bylaws.
- C. - The Commodore shall be directly responsible for the interpretation and enforcement of these Bylaws.

Section 2 – Board of Trustees and Succession

A. - The business of the Club will be conducted by the Board of Trustees in behalf of the Membership. The Board shall exercise complete control over the funds, property and business of the Club except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws.

B. - The Board of Trustees will consist of the following seven (7) Members, whose duties are spelled out in Section 4 of this Article. The Commodore shall serve as Chairman of the Board and Vice Commodore will serve as Vice Chairman.

- Commodore
- Vice Commodore
- Rear Commodore
- Fleet Captain
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Past Commodore Trustee

C. - The elective officers of the Club shall be Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be elected at the Annual Meeting. The Fleet Captain is an appointive Officer. The Past Commodore Trustee shall be the immediate Past Commodore. Officers shall serve for a term of at least one year or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. None shall hold the same office for more than two (2) successive terms.

D. - The Flag Officers shall consist of the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain.

E. - For the good of the Club and for continuity of Club leadership it is understood there shall be a succession from Rear Commodore to Vice Commodore to Commodore, and that the nominations for Commodore and Vice Commodore will be automatically implemented by the Nominating Committee. Further, it is expected the person accepting nomination to Rear Commodore will accept this commitment prior to assuming office.

F. - To qualify for elective office a nominee shall have been a member of the Club for at least 2 years. Except for the Fleet Captain a Flag Officer must have at least one year service experience on the Board of Trustees prior to assuming office. The positions of elective and appointed officers are open to members and spouse/spouse equivalents.

G. - The Board of Trustees shall meet at least once every two (2) months at the call of the Commodore. A quorum shall consist of 4 (four) Board members.

H. - The Flag Officers and Treasurer shall submit monthly a written Officer’s Report to the Secretary for inclusion in the monthly Newsletter.

I. - No member of the Board will receive any remuneration for services unless specifically provided otherwise in these Bylaws.

J. – An officer or trustee having sold or otherwise disposed of his boat shall be eligible to serve as a voting member of the Board until the next regular election.

Section 3 – Duties, Powers and Responsibilities of Officers

A - COMMODORE

1 - The Commodore shall command the Club Squadron, shall enforce the Bylaws and Rules of the Club. He shall attend and preside over all meetings of the general membership and the Board of Trustees. He shall appoint, except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws, all non-elective officers, committee members, delegates and other Club representatives, who shall hold office at his pleasure during his term in office. He shall serve as an ex-officio member on all appointive committee except the Nominating Committee.

B - VICE COMMODORE

1 - It shall be the duty of the Vice Commodore to assist the Commodore in the discharge of his duties and in the absence or disability of the Commodore, to officiate in his stead. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of Commodore, the Vice Commodore shall succeed to that office.

2 - The Vice Commodore shall be Chairman of the Membership Committee. As such, he shall exercise direct supervision over all matters pertaining to new membership applications, new member incentive and recruiting programs and the indoctrination and orientation of new members, all under the guidelines of Article III of these Bylaws.

3 - The Vice Commodore shall appoint the next Fleet Captain one year in advance of his formal assumption of said position.

4 - The Vice Commodore will be responsible to keep a correct and current roll of all members and spouses which shall establish the voting eligibility of each member.

5 - The Vice Commodore is responsible for seeing that a "New Member" packet is properly delivered to new members in a timely fashion. The packet will include a Burgee (if appropriate to member class), Club Handbook including Roster, Outstation Rules and By-laws and Name Badges.

6 - The Vice Commodore will be authorized along with the Commodore and Treasurer as a signatory on all checks and vouchers issued in payment of Club accounts.

C - REAR COMMODORE

1 - It shall be the duty of the Rear Commodore to assist the Commodore and Vice Commodore in the discharge of their duties; and in their absence or disability, shall officiate in their stead. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Vice Commodore, the Rear Commodore shall succeed to that office.

2 - The Rear Commodore shall be Chairman of the Out-Station Committee and shall exercise direct supervision over all matters concerning Club Outstation facilities, keeping the Board of Trustees advised of all matters concerning those facilities.

3 - The Rear Commodore shall be the chairman of the Reciprocal Committee, and shall be responsible for all matters dealing with the Club reciprocal docking facilities.

4 - Early in the year the Rear Commodore shall send invitations to other yacht clubs announcing the new Board of Trustees with an invitation to participate in the Club reciprocal program for the year including details of the current Club reciprocal offering.

5 - He shall maintain an updated list of names addresses and mooring details of all participating reciprocal yacht clubs and will be responsible for all relationships and communication with these clubs.

6 - Prior to publication of the annual member handbook he shall submit an updated reciprocal list to the Roster Committee for inclusion in the handbook. Throughout the year he will see that the membership is kept up to date on all relevant revisions to the reciprocal list by publication in the monthly Newsletter

D - FLEET CAPTAIN

1 - The Fleet Captain is an appointed officer of the Club. The Fleet Captain shall be appointed by the Vice Commodore one year in advance of his formal assumption of duty as noted in duties of the Vice Commodore in these Bylaws. The Fleet Captain appointee shall attend all meetings of the Board of Trustees. The Fleet Captain appointee will not be a "voting" member of the Board during this interim period.

2 - The Fleet Captain shall be Chairman of the Regatta Committee. In that capacity he shall be responsible for establishing a schedule of cruises and non-cruise events for his cruising year.

3 - The Fleet Captain shall be responsible for insuring that all cruises and other non-cruise events are manned by at least 4 people including at least 2 members.

4 - The Fleet Captain shall insure that his Cruise Captain teams are properly instructed on their duties and given guideline lists for conducting successful cruises. He shall act as "Manager" of the Cruise Captains and be a resource for them to successfully perform their duties.

5 - The Fleet Captain shall see that a calendar of all cruise and non-cruise events is published at the beginning of the cruising year. He will also coordinate with the Secretary to insure that the cruises and events are properly promoted and announced in the Club Newsletter and other appropriate means in a timely manner.

6 - The Fleet Captain shall see that a record is logged on all cruises and events. This will include the date, location, names of boats, captains and guests participating, and that a "Cruise/Event Report" is transmitted to the Secretary in a timely fashion for publication in the next newsletter.

7 - The Fleet Captain shall be responsible for all Club cruise supplies. He shall maintain inventory of these supplies and see that they are properly transferred among the Cruise Captains before and after their respective cruises.

8. Any and all sanctioned and or promoted RHYC cruise or event shall be under the oversight and auspices of the Fleet Captain.

E - SECRETARY

1 - It shall be the duty of the Secretary to act as both Recording and Corresponding Secretary of the Club.

2 - The Secretary shall see that minutes are taken at all meetings of the Board of Trustees and general membership, transmit them to all Board Members in a timely fashion and make them available to any member upon request.

3 - The Secretary shall keep and update a keep a file of all transactions, documents, records, reports and communications connected with the business of the Club. These shall be the permanent property of the Club.

4 - The Secretary shall prepare, publish and distribute to the members the monthly RHYC Newsletter (Anchor Watch), which shall be the Official publication of the Club. It shall apprise the members of current developments in Club business, meetings, cruise activities, applications for membership and added members, proposed and approved changes to the Bylaws, schedules, notices and other matters of interest relating to Club activities.

5 - The Secretary shall be allowed the necessary and proper disbursements for postage, stationery, printing, copying and related items for the proper discharge of business.

6 - The Secretary shall receive a printed ballot with nominees for elective offices from the Nominating Committee by the end of the 1st week in October. At that time the ballot, along with a self-addressed return envelope, shall be sent out to the membership. The envelope shall be pre-addressed, postage paid, to the Election Committee, Roche Harbor Yacht Club. The mailing shall request that ballots be returned ten (10) days prior to the November Change of Bridge Meeting, and that ballots received after that time will be disregarded.

7 - In addition to the above, the Secretary shall perform such duties as are incumbent upon the office or essential to the proper conduct of Club affairs or which may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Trustees.

F - TREASURER

1 - The Treasurer shall conduct the financial business of the Club and shall perform the other duties usually incumbent on the office, including keeping suitable books of accounts which shall be the permanent property of the Club

2 - The Treasurer shall receive all monies due the Club from any source, give a receipt for any cash when appropriate and deposit such funds into a bank or banks approved by the Board of Trustees. Such deposits shall be made only in the name of the Roche Harbor Yacht Club.

3 - The Treasurer is authorized, along with the Commodore and Vice Commodore, as a signatory on all checks and vouchers issued in payment of Club accounts.

4 - The Treasurer shall disburse Club funds under the general direction of the Board of Trustees. Appropriate records of such disbursements will be kept and made available to the Board when requested.

5 - The Treasurer shall be responsible for billing annual membership dues as outlined in Article V of these Bylaws. The bill shall be sent out by the incoming Treasurer during the 1st week of December, together with a stamped pre-addressed return envelope.

6 - The Treasurer will make a written report at each Business meeting of the general membership, showing the receipts and disbursements since the previous report. He shall make a full and complete statement of the financial condition of the Club at the close of each fiscal year. A copy of such report shall be distributed to each member attending these meetings.

7 - The Treasurer shall be allowed necessary and proper disbursements for postage, stationery and incidental expenses.

8 - The Treasurer shall maintain the special account known as the Investment Account to provide for the Club Outstations and/or any other properties or physical facilities leased, rented to or owned by the Club. The Investment Account may be increased from time to time at the discretion of the Board of Trustees, using any net operating funds not needed for other Club business.

9 - The Treasurer shall make no withdrawal from the Investment Account except on authorization of the Board of Trustee, and to the annual limit of \$3000. Such withdrawals are to be deposited to the regular Roche Harbor Yacht Club account, and disbursed only as provided under Paragraph 2 above.

10 - The Treasurer shall make no other withdrawals from the Investment Account except as authorized by a majority vote of the membership at a Business Meeting, Annual Meeting, or a Special Meeting called by the Commodore or Board of Trustees for that purpose.

11 - Within thirty (30) days from the end of a Treasurer's annual term in office, the Club's book of accounts shall be audited by a Special Committee named by the Commodore with results of such audit being reported to the Board of Trustees by the Committee.

12 - The treasurer will distribute annual membership cards after receiving the appropriate dues payment. The cards will be signed by the commodore and secretary.

13 - The treasurer will maintain accounting and general oversight of the ships store.

G - PAST COMMODORE TRUSTEE

1 - The immediate Past Commodore shall automatically be appointed by these Bylaws to assume the position on the Board as Past Commodore Trustee. In event he is unable to serve another Past Commodore shall be appointed by the incoming Board of Trustees.

2 - The Past Commodore Trustee will serve as Chairman of the Nomination and Election Committee with duties as described in these Bylaws.

3 - The past Commodore Trustee shall conduct the Officer Induction Ceremony at the annual Change of Bridge membership meeting.

Section 4 - Meetings

A. - Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting of the membership shall be held in November; the date, time and place of the meeting to be mailed to the members at least ten (10) days prior to said meeting. Ordinarily the meeting will be held in conjunction with the Change of Bridge Dinner. The order of business shall be directed by the Commodore and shall include recognition of the outgoing Board of Trustees and installation of the new Board.

B. - Spring Business Meeting. The Spring Business Meeting of the Membership shall be held in April; the date, time and place of the Meeting to be mailed to the members at least ten(10) days prior to said meeting

C. - Order of Business. The order of business at Membership Meetings shall be as follows:

- 1 - Welcome by senior attending Flag Officer
- 2 - Introductions –officers, past commodores, new members, guests
- 3 - Reading of Minutes and important communications
- 4 - Officer Reports
- 5 - Committee reports
- 6 - Old Business
- 7 - New Business
- 8 - Good of the Club
- 9 - Adjournment

D. - Special meetings of the membership may be called by the Commodore or Board of Trustees by giving five (5) days written notice thereof to the members stating the purpose, date, time and place of the meeting.

E. - A quorum of a general membership meeting shall consist of ten (10) voting members of the club and three (3) members of the Board of Trustees.

F. - Minutes of each meeting of the membership shall be prepared by the Secretary and entered into the permanent club records. Copies will be distributed to members of the Board and any member on request. Summary meeting results will be submitted in the newsletter immediately following the meetings.

Section 5 -Voting

- A. – The right to vote, either upon issues before the membership or in election of officers, shall be exercised only by voting members in good standing and without indebtedness to the Club.
- B. – Voting at a membership meeting, other than in the election of officers, shall be in person. Voting by proxy is not allowed.
- C. - There is one vote per family membership.

Section 6 - Nomination, Election and Installation of Officers

- A. – A Nomination, Election and Installation Committee, whose Chairman will be the Past Commodore Trustee, will be formed no later than June each year. The Chairman will select two (2) active members, preferably active Past Commodores, to serve with him on the Committee.
- B. – The Committee will confirm with the Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore that they will accept nomination to the next Flag Officer rank in succession and place them in nomination for their next term.
- C. – The Committee shall nominate at least one (1) Active member to the elective positions of Rear Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer after confirming willingness of said nominee to accept the nomination and confirm nominee's availability to serve. If necessary, nominations will also be made for Commodore and/or Vice Commodore in the event a normal Flag Officer succession cannot be implemented.
- D. - The Committee shall submit the names of the nominees to the Secretary for publication to the membership in the September newsletter.
- E. - Additional nominations to each elective office may be made by a petition signed by at least 10% of the active members in good standing such number as announced by the Treasurer at the most recent annual meeting. The petition will be submitted to the Chairman by the end of the first week in October, to be added to the ballot to be submitted to the membership for election.
- F. – When nominations close and there is only one nominee for each elective position, the nominees will be deemed elected by acclamation.
- G. – If there is more than one nominee for an elective position, the Committee will prepare a ballot and submit it to the Secretary for mailing to the membership as noted under duties of the Secretary in these Bylaws. The Committee will tabulate the ballots and confirm to the membership the results of the election. The nominee receiving a majority of votes cast shall be declared duly elected
- H. - At the Annual Meeting in November the outgoing Past Commodore Trustee will take command, dismiss the outgoing officers and conduct the installation of the incoming officers.
- I. - Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of Rear Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer or Past Commodore Trustee the Commodore, with approval of the Board of Trustees, will appoint a successor who will serve until the next election of Officers. Any appointed successor shall be qualified according to Article VII Section 2 above.
- J. - Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of Commodore or Vice Commodore, the next officer in the normal chain of succession shall move into the vacated position.

Section 7- Committees, Delegates and Representatives

- A. - Ship Stores Committee. A Ship's Store Committee Chairman will be appointed by the Commodore to manage all activities of the Club's Ship's Stores. The Ship's Stores will be a resource for Club members to obtain high quality RHYC logo merchandise at a fair price. The Treasurer will oversee and, with approval of the Board of Trustees, will advance funds to the Chairman to carry necessary inventories. The Treasurer will stay in regular contact with the Chairperson to facilitate accurate compilation of financial data to include in Treasurer's Reports.
- B. - MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. This Committee will include the Vice Commodore as Chairman and other members as he may see fit to assist him in conducting his duties dealing with Membership as defined in Section 3 of this Article of the Bylaws.
- C. - OUTSTATION COMMITTEE. This Committee will include the Rear Commodore as Chairman and other members as he may see fit to assist him in conducting his duties dealing with the Club Outstations as spelled out in Section 3 of this Article of the Bylaws.
- D. - REGATTA COMMITTEE. This Committee will include the Fleet Captain as Chairman and other members as he may see fit to assist him in conducting his duties dealing with Cruises as defined in Section 3 of this Article of the Bylaws.
- E. - COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE. This Committee shall be chaired by appointment of the Commodore. and shall be assisted by and report to the Fleet Captain. The Committee shall be in charge of and responsible for notifying the membership of scheduled and special events. The primary method of notification will be via e-mail, with telephone calls made to members without e-mail service.
- F. - NOMINATION, ELECTION AND INSTALLATION COMMITTEE. This Committee will include the Past Commodore Trustee as Chairman and other members as he may see fit to assist him in conducting the duties as described in Sections 3 and 6 of this Article of the Bylaws.
- G. - ROSTER COMMITTEE. This Committee will include a Roster Committee Chairman appointed by the Commodore and assisted by other members as he may see fit to assist him in maintaining the Club Master Membership Roster. This Committee will also be responsible for compiling, arranging, printing, assembling and distributing the Annual Update to the Club Handbook which shall be distributed to the membership at the time of the Annual Spring Meeting. The Roster Committee Chairman will report directly to the Commodore.
- H. - WEBSITE COMMITTEE. This Committee will include the Webmaster appointed by the Commodore and reporting directly to the Commodore and other persons as needed to perform needed duties. Primary responsibility will be to control and update the Club Website for external and internal communication at the direction of the Board. Expenditure of any funds for website activities must have prior approval from the Board of Trustees.
- I. - SUNSHINE COMMITTEE. The Sunshine Committee Chairman will be appointed by the Commodore to serve as a Club resource to gather and distribute news dealing with member-related events such as accidents, sickness or deaths and to convey expressions of Club concern or condolences as appropriate on these matters. Expenditure of any funds for expressions in the name of the Club must have prior approval of the Board of Trustees.

J. – Investment Committee: The investment Committee shall be a permanent standing committee comprised of the Commodore, Treasurer, and two Active Club members appointed by the Board of Trustees. The appointed members shall serve for indefinite terms but may be replaced from time-to time by the Board of Trustees. An Investment Committee Chairperson shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees to direct the Committee's activities and to report to the Board as set forth herein. The Investment Committee shall be authorized by the Board of Trustees to have fiduciary responsibility for the management of the Club's investment accounts. The Investment Committee shall have the authority to make investment decisions on behalf of the Club without the prior approval of the Board of Trustees. The Treasurer shall provide information at such time that it is normally presented to the Board of Trustees. The Committee shall submit a report of its activities to the Board of Trustees at the end of each quarter of the calendar year and shall submit a report to the membership at the Club's business meetings.

K. – DELEGATES. Delegates to RBAW, Blue Gavel and other boating organizations shall be appointees of the Commodore

L. - SPECIAL COMMITTEES. At the discretion of the Commodore and the Board, Special Committees may be formed from time to time to perform special tasks. Upon completion of these tasks the Special Committee will be disbanded.

M. - No Committee Chairman or member will receive any remuneration for services unless specifically provided otherwise in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII: UNIFORMS

Section 1.

The regulation winter uniform shall consist of black cap with black visor, dark blue blazer, gray trousers, white shirt, dark blue or black four-in-hand tie, black belt and shoes.

Section 2.

The regulation summer uniform shall consist of white cap with black visor, dark blue blazer, white trousers, white shirt, dark blue or black four-in-hand tie, white belt, white socks and shoes. The Board may, at its discretion, choose the winter uniform as the summer uniform of the day.

ARTICLE IX: PENNANTS

The Club Pennant, Burgee and logo, whenever and wherever displayed shall consist of red and blue triangular field and a six point white star with a blue center superimposed on a blue field. An Active or Senior member shall be entitled to fly the club pennant on any vessel which the member is operating; except that the club pennant may not be flown on any vessel engaged in any commercial operation or on any vessel not under command of a member. Upon disposal of a boat, member is to remove Club Burgee and Handbook.

ARTICLE X: AWARDS

No official awards to members of the club shall be made except as authorized by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE XI: ROSTER PRIVACY

The club roster including Names, phone numbers, addresses and e-mail addresses are for the use of members only for the purposes of club business and contacting other club members. The information in the club roster is not to be used in any commercial or non-club related solicitation. The club roster is not to be shared in any way with other persons or groups outside of the club membership. Club members may, by written request, exclude personal information from the handbook or website.

ARTICLE XII: NULLIFICATION OF PREVIOUS BYLAWS

These Bylaws shall be effective upon adoption and ratification and shall supersede and nullify all previous Bylaws and Amendments.

ARTICLE XIII: AMENDMENTS

A. - Proposals for amendment to these Bylaws may be presented by majority vote of the Board of Trustees or by a petition signed by 10% of the voting membership.

B.- To be accepted amendment proposals require a vote of two-thirds (2/3rds) of members present and voting at an Annual Meeting, Regular Business Meeting or a Special Meeting of the membership called for that purpose.

C. - Written notice of proposed changes will be provided to the membership not less than ten (10) days prior to said meeting in either the newsletter or by special mailing.

D. - Amendments accepted by membership vote will be published in the next Club newsletter following acceptance by the voting membership.

ARTICLE XIII: REFERENCES TO GENDER

All references in these Bylaws to he, him or his shall be considered to include reference to she, her or hers and vice versa.