

ELDON ROUGH RIDERS SADDLE CLUB

Constitution

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ARTICLE I – Name

The name of this organization shall be the Eldon Rough Riders Saddle Club.

ARTICLE II – Object

The objects and purposes for which this association is formed are scientific, educational, and social, to teach and to preserve and pass down to future generations equine activities and train the members of the club the proper method of care and training of show and saddle horses, including the conducting of classes, teaching and fostering proper safety factors and methods of handling, showing, training of horses, including horseback riding; to promote and provide horse shows, rodeos, and other contests or functions relative there to, and providing for the maintenance and management of a building or buildings, and grounds to be used for meeting and training purposes, and to acquire or lease such training area and other property as are necessary for such purposes.

ARTICLE III – Membership

Section 1 – Membership in this organization shall be open to any person(s). A Family Membership shall consist of any immediate family members– including adult members and minor children. These persons shall be known as Active Members.

Section 2 – All members of this organization may attend any and all meetings, but the voting powers will be limited to: 1 Adult Vote per Individual Membership and 2 Adult Votes per Family Membership. All Voters must be present.

ARTICLE IV – Officers

Section 1 – The Officers of this organization shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Secretary-Treasurer, and a Board of Directors.

Section 2 – The Board of Directors shall consist of no less than two and no more than four members. The Board of Directors are to be elected each year with a maximum of two consecutive terms. If no other member accepts a nomination for the position, this term can be extended with a majority vote of the members in attendance.

Section 3 – The President, Vice- President, Secretary, Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected and serve a term of two years with a maximum of two consecutive terms.

Section 4 – A majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to constitute an election.

Section 5 – Vacancies in office shall be filled by a special election.

Section 6 – Only a member of good standing can be elected as an Officer.

Section 7 – When attendance reaches a minimum of 30 members in good standing, maximum term limits will be enforced.

ARTICLE V – Quorum

Section 1 – Four or more members of the association shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VI – Meetings

Section 1 – Regular meetings shall be held each month.

Section 2 – The Board of Directors shall meet at the call of the President whenever he/she deems it necessary. Each Officer and Board of Directors Member is entitled to 1 vote, except the President, who may vote due to a tie or by secret ballot.

Section 3 – Special Meetings shall be called by the President, or by the Vice-President in the absence of the President, or by any 2 Board Members.

ARTICLE VII – Amendments

Section 1 – This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting provided the amendments shall have been submitted at the last regular meeting, to be acted upon by the Officers and the Board of Directors of this organization by a majority vote. Adoption of the amendment(s) hereto shall require a two-thirds majority vote of members present at the next regular meeting.

Section 2 – Any previous amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws that may exist and are not presently included in this document are hereby null and void.

ARTICLE VIII – Code of Conduct

Section 1 – During a meeting a member must confine their remarks to the question, be courteous in their language and deportment, avoid all personalities, not arraign the motive of another member, and emphasize that it is not the individual, but the measure that is subject of debate. It is the duty of the Officers to enforce these behavioral guidelines.

Section 2 – Article VII section 3 extends to behavior and conduct of any member during sanctioned Eldon Rough Riders Saddle Club events or activities.