

ROUTE 66 CRUISERS CAR CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
BY-LAWS AND RULES OF ORDER

ARTICLE 1- PURPOSE

For the promotion and enjoyment of automotive type events on and around Illinois Route 66 as an incorporated club in the State of Illinois.

ARTICLE 11- MEMBERSHIP

Section A- Requirements

1. Prospective members must be a licensed driver, eighteen [18] years of age or older, and own at least one [1] vehicle that is twenty [25] model years of age or older [or other interest as approved by the Board]
2. Prospective members must apply for membership using the club's official application. Applications when submitted must be accompanied by the \$10 fee. The Board will review all new applications. An applicant becomes a member when he/she meets the qualifications as set forth in Article 11, Section A, Item 1, and a majority of the Board approves the application. Applicants failing to receive Board approval will have their application and fee returned along with a letter from the club Secretary stating the reasons for non-approval. An applicant failing to receive approval may re-apply when he/she is able to meet the requirements and overcome the reasons for non-approval.
3. Prospective members must be sponsored by a club member in good standing.

Section B- Dismissal

1. All club members attending club functions, meetings or events, or club sponsored functions or events, are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interest of the club. Use of foul language, being or becoming intoxicated, use of illegal drugs or stimulants, loudly playing music, interfering with operations, or other such behavior at functions, meetings or events shall be deemed cause for dismissal.
2. A club member shall be considered for dismissal only when a formal complaint- either verbally or in writing- is submitted to, or by, the club President. Complaints may not be submitted anonymously.
3. Upon receipt of the complaint, the club President shall inform all members of the Board by bringing the issue to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. If the majority of the Board approves, a hearing for the dismissal shall be held at a time and place set forth by the President.
4. Notice of the hearing shall be given to the accused member [defendant] either by phone, email, or regular mail. The President is obliged, but not obligated, to convene the meeting when it is mutually beneficial to the defendant and the Board.
5. At the hearing, the defendant shall state his/her reasons for not being dismissed. The Board shall consider all relevant facts of the issue and vote for or against dismissal of the defendant. A majority vote, either for or against, is necessary to determine dismissal or retention of the defendant's membership. Failure by the defendant to appear at the hearing shall constitute automatic dismissal.
6. The results of the hearing shall be provided to the defendant either verbally, by phone, email, or regular mail.

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ARTICLE 111- Dues

1. Dues are \$10.00 annually and are payable on or before the close of the February meeting of the current year.
2. Members who do not pay their annual dues by the close of the February meeting shall be removed from the membership list and shall not receive the monthly club newsletter.
3. Members who subsequently pay their annual dues shall be added back to the membership list and, if available, shall be reassigned their membership number. Re-instatement will qualify the member to receive the monthly newsletter starting with the next scheduled publication.
4. New members who joined the club and paid dues on or after September 1 of the previous year are automatically renewed for the current year.
5. the Treasurer shall notify the President at the adjournment of the February meeting of the name[s] of any Board member who has not paid their dues. Failure of the Board member to pay his/her dues on or before the start of the March Board meeting shall constitute immediate impeachment of his/her Board position.

ARTICLE 1V- Elections

Section A- Nominations of Club Officers and Board of Directors

1. A nominating committee, appointed by the President, shall present a slate of nominees to the membership at the November membership meeting.
2. Election of officers and board positions shall take place at the December membership meeting.
3. Newly elected Officers and board members shall take office at the January board meeting.
4. During even-numbered years, the slate of nominees shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. During the odd-numbered years, the slate of nominees shall consist of all board positions other than the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.
5. The official ballot shall be sent to all active members as part of the November newsletter. The ballot will instruct the members on how to submit their vote. Ballots must be submitted on or before the start of the December membership meeting.
6. When there are two or more persons running for the same position, each person's name will appear on the ballot for that position in alphabetical order by last name, except that if an incumbent is running for re-election, his/her name shall be listed first.
7. If an incumbent is running unopposed, the question "Shall [the incumbent's name] be retained as [title of the position]? YES___NO___[please check one] shall appear on the ballot for that position.

Section B- Terms of Office

1. Each person elected to a position shall serve a term of two [2] years.
2. Each person appointed to a position shall serve in that position until it is up for re-election.
3. The office of President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary shall be up for election in December of the even-numbered years. Each of these officers shall serve

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in their respective elected positions the following odd-numbered and even-numbered years. [Example; elected December 2006, serve as officer 2007 and 2008]

4. The Board members positions, other than President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary shall be up for election in December of the odd-numbered year. Each of these Board members shall serve in their respective elected positions the following even-numbered and odd-numbered years. [Example; elected December 2007, serve as Board member 2008 and 2009]

Section C- Board Member Dismissal

1. A person, holding a position as an officer or member of the Board may be dismissed if he or she fails to carry out the duties of his/her position. Such actions causing dismissal are, but not limited to, failing to attend three or more club meetings or events, failing to serve in the capacity of that position while attending club meetings or events.
2. An action to dismiss a person holding a position as an officer or member of the Board can only be initiated by the President or Vice-President.
3. A person holding a position as an officer or member of the Board is dismissed when such action is presented by the President or Vice-President and the decision to dismiss is approved by a majority vote of the Board.

Section D- Voting

1. Annual elections of officers and Board members shall be one [1] vote per membership. The votes will be counted by the Nominating Committee.
2. Unless otherwise directed by the Board, all other normal club business requiring a vote shall be by voice vote or show of hands.

Article V- OFFICES

Section A- Officers

1. The officers of the club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Merchandise Director, Door Prizes Director, Setup and Parking Director, Registration Director, Sergeant[s] at Arms, Newsletter Editor, and Webmaster.
2. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer may not hold another elected office within the club during the tenure of their office.
3. Other elected officers and/or their spouses may hold more than one elected office within the club, but not more than two elected offices at the same time.

Section B-Vacancy

1. A vacancy in any elective office shall be filled through appointment by the Board of Directors, until such a time as the annual election is conducted.

SectionC- Duties

1. President

- a. Preside at all meetings of the club.
- b. Make the memorial announcement at the memorial cruise-in.
- c. Call special board meetings when club business requires.
- d. Present trophies at judged club events. [e.g.: muffler rapping and flame throwing]

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- e. Set an example of proper conduct for other club members.
- f. Facilitate the growth and maintenance of the club. This includes maintaining a high level of quality for the club cruise-ins and improving the cruise-ins.

2.Vice-President

- a. Shall assume the duties of the President in his absence or inability to serve, and shall perform such duties pertaining to the office.
- b. Assist the other board members as needed and able.
- c. Facilitate the growth and maintenance of the club. This includes maintaining a high level of quality for the club cruise-ins and improving the cruise-ins.

3.Secretary

- a. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of all meetings of the club, and shall perform such duties as may be delegated to him/her.
- b. Responsible for taking the minutes of the board meetings and membership meetings.
- c. Responsible for the club's correspondence.
- d. Receives registrations for club events, such as the Christmas party and weiner roast.
- e. Passes registration fees to the treasurer for club functions such as the weiner roast and picnic.
- f. Assist the other board members as needed and able.

4.Treasurer

- a. The treasurer shall receive all money of the club. [Receives membership applications and the dues money for the applications.]
- b. Shall keep an accurate account of receipts and expenditures. [Keeps the books for the club and the club's checking account.]
- c. Shall pay out funds for normal operating expenses and other expenditures as authorized by the club. [Responsible for paying bills incurred by the club in its normal operation.]
- d. A complete report shall be submitted at each meeting.
- e. Responsible for providing the moneys needed to run the club events from the club account.
- f. Assist the other board members as needed and able.

5.Directors

- a. The four [4] directors shall assist at club functions as prescribed by their individually assigned responsibilities.

i.Merchandise Director

- 1. Maintain inventory of the clubs merchandise.
- 2. Handle the sale, distribution, and ordering of club merchandise.
- 3. Assist other board members as needed and able.

ii.Door Prizes

- 1. Responsible for the purchase of door prizes for club cruises.
- 2. Responsible for storage of purchased door prizes.

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3. Responsible for the drawing of door prizes during club cruises.
4. Assist other board members as needed and able.

iii. Setup and Parking

1. Responsible for storing the clubs property that is used for club events.
2. Responsible for bringing the property to club events and the setup for said event.
3. If the setup director cannot attend a club function where the property is needed, then the director needs to make arrangements for another club member to fill in for that event.
4. Responsible for parking vehicles at club events such as cruises.
5. Assist the other board members as needed and able.

iv. Registration

1. Responsible for registration at club events such as cruises, poker walks, and other like events.
2. Assist the other board members as needed and able.

6. Sergeant[s] at Arms

1. The Sargeant[s] at Arms shall be charged with enforcing club
2. Regulations and policies at all club functions.

7. Club Newsletter Editor

- a. The Club Newsletter Editor is charged with assuring preparation and mailing of the Club Newsletter on a monthly basis.
- b. Create fliers for club cruises nad events.

8. Club Webmaster

The Club Webmaster is charged with keeping the Club Website up-to-date and in compliance with the purpose and standards of the club

Article VI- MEETINGS

Section A- Time and Place

Meetings shall be held the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Section B- Materials

All materials set out for distribution during a club meeting must have the approval of the member[s] acting as Registrar. Unapproved material[s] shall be removed by the Sergeant[s] at Arms to be returned, upon request, to the person[s] responsible for the material[s].

Section C- Executive Meetings

1. Board of Directors shall meet a minimum of once a month. This is a total of 12 regular meetings.
2. A board member may not miss more than three meetings without good

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cause.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Introduction of new members at the meetings.
Approval of minutes of previous meeting.
Reports of standing committees; executive committees, Treasurer, etc.
Reports of special committees.
Unfinished business.
New business.

Article V11- LIABILITY

Individual members are not liable for any claims or debts against the Club. The club is liable only to the extent of its treasury and club property.

Article V111- CLUB DISSOLUTION

Should the club decide to dissolve, the Secretary of State's rules for dissolution of a non-profit corporation are to be followed.

Article 1X- CHANGES TO THE BY-LAWS

These By-laws may be amended, after Board approval, at any regular meeting of the club by a simple majority vote of the members present and voting, provided notice of the proposed amendments were given at the preceding club meeting.

Article X- CLUB POLICY

1. The club will send flowers [cost not to exceed \$50] to the family of a deceased member.
2. The Annual Memorial Cruise shall recognize members in good standing who died during the previous calendar year.
3. The club will donate \$100 of the proceeds from the Memorial Cruise to the charity of choice, as designated by each descendant's family [total not to exceed \$300]
4. Each year, the club will donate \$200 from the Charlie Wells cruise-in to the Charlie Wells Memorial fund.
5. Club purchases of more than \$200 [except those authorized by committee] for a single item must be approved by the membership at a regular monthly meeting.
6. The Board may authorize a committee to audit the club's financial account[s].
7. The Board may authorize a committee to audit the property of the club.
8. Members may not have their vehicle[s] featured in the club's newsletter more than once every two years.
9. Members may not have their vehicle[s] featured on the club's dash plaque more than once every year.
10. Persons under the age of 18 are not permitted to sell tickets or collect money at club events.
11. Notification of membership expiration will be sent with the member's last newsletter.