

BY-LAWS OF THE WASHINGTON ORNAMENTAL AND GAME BIRD BREEDERS

(As modified May 1996)

ARTICLE ONE - MEMBERSHIP

Section I:

Membership will be open to anyone interested in the captive propagation and perpetuation of pheasants, waterfowl, and related birds.

Section II:

Members will be divided into two (2) classes and two (2) sub-classes as follows:

A. General Members

1. Single Memberships
2. Family Memberships

B. Honorary Members

Section III:

Rights of members:

A. General Members

1. Single memberships are open to any qualified person or entity upon tender and acceptance of the applicable fee. Single memberships entitle the person, if 12 years of age or older, or entity to a single vote in all matters calling for a vote of the general membership.
2. Family memberships are open to any group of two or more qualified persons, not single members, upon tender and acceptance of the appropriate fee. Family memberships entitle the group of two votes in all matters calling for a vote of the general membership; provided that no more than one vote may be exercised by any individual group member and that each voting individual be 12 years of age or older.

B. Honorary memberships are perpetual for the life of the member, unless sooner revoked by action of the Board of Directors, and are to be awarded, if at all once annually by designation by the Board to the person who the Board selects to honor for his outstanding contribution in the field of aviculture. Honorary members may also be general members but have no vote as honorary members of the corporation.

Section IV:

Local chapters may be established throughout the State of Washington upon application and approval by the Board.

ARTICLE TWO - MAMANGEMENT

Section I:

Duties of the Board of Directors: The business and property of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of nine (9) directors except as otherwise provided.

Section II:

Allocation of funds to the various committees and projects and chapters and the Pheasant Pen must have Board approval and may be accomplished by approval of operations budgets.

Section III:

Duties of the officers:

A. The President shall preside at all general membership meetings.

B. The President shall call and preside at all meetings of the Executive Board and shall vote at all such meetings.

C. The President will appoint all committee chairmen and will fill all vacancies occurring on committees.

AMENDED TO READ: The President will appoint all committee chairmen, with the exception of the Show Chairman, and will fill all vacancies occurring on committees, with the exception of the Show Committee, unless otherwise provided.

AMENDED TO READ: (Rev'd 12/90)

a. The Show Chairman will be selected by the President and the Board of Directors. The Show Chairman shall select his own committee, with no limitation to the specific number. The Show Chairman and his committee shall serve for the calendar year for which they are appointed. The Show Chairman may be reappointed.

AMENDED TO READ: (Rev'd 12/90)

b. The Show Chairman and the Show Committee shall establish a set of "Show Rules" which must be approved by the President and the Board of Directors. All people who enter birds, doves, sucks, etc. in a WOGBB show will abide by these rules. This committee will have full authority to enforce all of these rules concerning the show. A copy of these rules will be placed in the Secretary's file.

D. In the event the President is unable to perform his duties, the Vice-President will act in his place.

E. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all official meetings, shall carry on all correspondence, and will have on file a copy of all correspondence.

F. The Treasurer will collect and keep all money, pay all legitimate bills, keep an accurate record of all receipts and expenditures, and submit a monthly and yearly financial report to members. The Treasurer will be bonded, the amount to be determined by the Executive Board prior to the end of February each year. All books will be submitted to the Executive Board for annual audit.

ARTICLE THREE - ORGANIZATION:

Section I:

Composition of the Board of Directors: The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers and chairmen of the standing committees.

Section II:

Standing Committees. The Standing Committees shall be:

- A. Program and Publicity
- B. Refreshment
- C. Chapters
- D. Raffle

AMENDED TO READ: Add E. Show

AMENDED TO READ: Add F. Propagation

AMENDED TO READ: Add G. Membership

Section III:

Non-standing Committees may be created from time to time by the Board for terms of one year or less, subject to extension or renewal. Chairmen of non-standing committees no otherwise members of the Board shall not be members of the Board.

Section IV:

The Pheasant Pen shall be the official publication of the corporation.

ARTICLE FOUR - QUALIFICATION OF BOARD MEMBERS:

Section I:

Any member qualified to vote and not otherwise prohibited from holding a particular office will be eligible for election to office an appointment to committee chairmanships; provided that chairmen of standing committees must have been members for four (4) months or more prior to appointment.

Section II:

The President must not have bee President by election for both of the two preceding terms.

Section III:

The Vice-President must not have been Vice-President by election for both of the preceding terms.

Section IV:

The Treasurer must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

ARTICLE FIVE - ELECTIONS APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES:

Section I:

No cumulative voting and no proxy voting shall be allowed.

Section II:

Officers will be elected by majority vote of returned mail ballots. Ballots not returned prior to the November general membership meeting will not be counted.

AMENDED TO READ: Nominations will be opened at the November general meeting. Nominations will be closed at the November general meeting. All nominations must come from the floor. Officers will be elected by a majority vote of returned mail ballots. Ballots not returned by the December general membership meeting will not be counted.

AMENDED TO READ: Nominations will be opened at the October general meeting. Nominations will be closed at the November general meeting. All nominations must come from the floor. Officers will be elected by a majority vote of returned mail ballots. Ballots not returned by the December general membership meeting will not be counted.

A. Written notice of nominations for officers must be sent by the Secretary to all members one (1) month prior to the November meeting.

B. Election chairman will send one ballot to each single membership and two to each family membership one week after the November meeting, under separate cover with return envelope enclosed. Ballot to be returned by mail only before the December meeting date.

C. Return envelopes should be marked "Ballot" on outside of envelope. The envelopes will be sealed to

be opened during the December general meeting in the presence of the election committee.

D. The President and/or Vice-President will certify that all envelopes are sealed and post-marked prior to the deadline. Any ballots that do not meet these conditions will not be counted.

Section III:

Officers will be installed at the December general membership meeting.

AMENDED TO READ: Officers will be installed at the March general membership meeting.

AMENDED TO READ: Officers will be installed at the January general membership meeting.

Section IV:

Committee chairmen, including standing committee chairmen, may be appointed by the President provided that rules adopted by the Board for specific non-standing committees may provide other selection methods.

AMENDED TO READ:

Committee Chairmen, including standing committee chairmen, but excluding the Show Chairman, may be appointed by the President provided that rules adopted by the Board for specific non-standing committees may provide other selection methods.

AMENDED TO READ: Add:

A. A Show Committee will be established consisting of five (5) members. The original committee and chairman to be established by a majority vote of the members attending a general meeting on the first general meeting after the passing of this amendment. This committee will serve for an indefinite term; or until such time a member resigns, is no longer a member of the club, or dies. New members will be selected by the members of the remaining committee. If and when the

original show chairman ceases to be chairman, the new chairman will be selected by the members of the remaining show committee. In the event that all members of the show committee cease to function or resign, a new committee and a new chairman will be established in the same manner as the original committee.

B. The show chairman and the show committee shall establish a set of "Show Rules" by which all people who enter birds, doves, ducks, etc. in a WOGBB show will abide by these rules. This committee will have full authority to enforce all of these rules concerning the show. A copy of these rules will be placed in the Secretary's file.

C. Show committee members may be removed by a 2/3 vote of the Board Members at a regularly scheduled Board Meeting, provided: To be subject to such removal, a member must be given prior written notice by the Board specifying the charges being made against him with thirty (30) days thereafter for the member to correct conduct or respond to charges. At expiration of the thirty (30) day period, the Board may schedule and notify the member that action will be taken as provided in the first sentence of this paragraph.

D. A propagation committee will be established consisting of three (3) members. The original committee and the chairman to be established by a vote of the members attending a general meeting. The original committee to be established on the first general meeting after the passing of this amendment. This committee will serve for an indefinite term; or until such time a member resigns, is no longer a member of the club, or dies. New members will be selected by the members of the remaining propagation committee. In the event that all members of the propagation committee cease to function or resign, a new committee and a new chairman will be established in the same manner as the original committee.

E. Propagation committee members may be removed by a 2/3 vote of Board members at a regularly scheduled Board Meeting, provided: To be subject to such removal, a member must be given prior written notice by the Board specifying the charges being made against him with thirty (30) days thereafter for the member to correct conduct or respond to charges. At expiration of the thirty (30) day period, the Board may schedule and notify the member that action will be taken as provided in the first sentence of this paragraph.

Section V:

Vacancy in any elected office shall be filled by the Board of Directors, y majority vote, at any regular or special Board meeting within 40 days.

ARTICLE SIX - MEETINGS:

Section I:

General membership meetings will be held at the call of the President once a month, provided that no meeting will be required in July and August.

Section II:

The time and place of general membership meetings will be determined by the President unless by a majority vote at a Board meeting or general membership meeting a different time or place of meeting shall be directed.

Section III:

Formal notice of general membership meetings shall not be required. Notice through publication in the Pheasant Pen prior to the meeting date shall be sufficient notice pursuant to RCW 24.03.080.

Section IV:

A quorum shall consist of at least ten (10) voting members at any general membership meeting.

Section V:

Board meetings may be called once a month by the President and at such other times as may be deemed appropriate.

Section VI:

Formal notice of Board meetings shall not be required. Notice through publication in the Pheasant Pen prior to the meeting date shall be sufficient notice.

Section VII:

A quorum shall consist of five (5) members of the Board of Directors. The President may vote in any Board meeting.

Section VIII:

All Board meetings are open to all members who wish to attend.

ARTICLE SEVEN - DUES:

Section I:

Membership fees will be due the first month of the year.

Section II:

New memberships, accepted after November 1st will be paid for the remainder of the current year and the following year.

AMENDED TO READ: New memberships, accepted after October 1st will be paid for the remainder of the current year and the following year Amended January 21, 1995.

Section III:

Dues shall be three dollars (\$3.00) per year for single memberships and five dollars (\$5.00) per year for family memberships.

AMENDED TO READ: Dues shall be six dollars (\$6.00) per year for single memberships and ten dollars (\$10.00) for family memberships.

AMENDED TO READ: Dues shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per year for single memberships and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for family memberships.

AMENDED TO READ: Dues shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00) per year for both single and family memberships.

AMENDED TO READ: Dues shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per year for both single and family memberships.

ARTICLE EIGHT - AMENDMENTS:

Section I:

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of returned ballots of the entire voting membership, by mail ballot.

Section II:

Articles One through Six and Eight of the By-laws may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of returned ballots of the entire voting membership, by mail ballot.

AMENDED TO READ: Articles One through Six and Eight of the By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of returned ballots of the entire voting membership, by mail ballot.

Section III:

Article Seven of the By-Laws may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of any general membership meeting provided written notice be sent to all members or notice be given in the Pheasant Pen three (3) weeks prior to submitting to vote.

ARTICLE NINE - FORMAL ADOPTION:

These By-Laws, substantially the same as those governing the association prior to incorporation, are hereby adopted by the Board of Directors at the first meeting of the corporation as provided in RCW 24.03.00 and RCW 24.03.155.