

# THE STONEY CREEK RADIO CONTROL MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB INCORPORATED

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## CONSTITUTION

- Article 1. Name  
The name of this organization shall be THE STONEY CREEK RADIO CONTROL MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB INCORPORATED, hereinafter referred to as the CLUB.  
The name "Stoney Creek Hawks" has been duly registered and may be used alternatively at any time.
- Article 2. Affiliation  
The CLUB is affiliated with the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada and is a charter club member of said organization hereinafter referred to as M.A.A.C.

- Article 3. Purpose and Objectives  
The main purpose of the CLUB shall be the advancement of safe enjoyment of all phases of model aircraft sporting activity to the greatest extent possible through the co-operation of all members to their mutual benefit and through the co-operation with National and International Modeling Organizations and the general public.
- Article 4. Manner of revising the Constitution  
Any proposed revision to this constitution requires that notification in writing, by means of the CLUB bulletin or otherwise, must be sent to all members prior to the Annual December meeting. All amendments will then be put to a vote at that meeting, requiring a majority vote of the attending members to carry.
- Article 5. Area of Operation  
Stoney Creek and District.
- Article 6. Mailing Address  
The mailing address of the CLUB shall be: That of the current President.
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## **BY-LAWS**

### **ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP**

#### 1. Membership Year

The membership year shall be from January 1st in any one year until December 31st of the same year.

#### 2. Eligibility

- a. Paid-up membership in the CLUB
- b. Paid-up membership in M.A.A.C.

#### 3. Classes of Membership

There will be four classes as follows:

- a. Junior Member Under 18 as of January 1st.
- b. Open Member Age 18 and over as of January 1st.
- c. Honorary Member At the discretion of the Executive.

d. Social Member No Flying Privileges, Voting Rights

#### 4. Admission to Membership

Initial Membership in the CLUB shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

#### 5. Rights of Members

Any member in good standing abiding by the CLUB rules shall receive full CLUB privileges including the right to vote on all CLUB issues, CLUB newsletter and M.A.A.C. benefits.

#### 6. Certificates and Insignia

All members will be provided with:

- a. CLUB membership cards
- b. A copy of the CLUB Constitution and by-laws, WINGS program, Waiver of Responsibility, and Instruction Schedule.

#### 7. Membership Limitations

The number of members in the CLUB shall be limited as the Executive sees fit.

#### 8. Expulsion of Members

A membership may be cancelled because of actions detrimental to the interests of the CLUB. This can be done only after a majority decision of the Executive Committee: After following the steps of warnings i.e. One (1) verbal and one (1) written warning and finally a letter of termination from the Executive Committee.

## **ARTICLE II ORGANIZATION**

### 1. Officers

The Officers of the CLUB shall be as follows and known as the Executive Committee:

- a. President
- b. Vice-President

- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer
- e. Safety Director
- f. Field Manager
- g. Chief Instructor

## 2. Elections

- a. The Officers of the CLUB shall be elected once each year at the December Annual meeting and shall assume office at the start of the following membership year (January 1).
- b. No member shall be elected President for more than three consecutive years.

## 3. Duties of Officers

- a. President To promote the aims of the CLUB and provide leadership. At all times to supervise and direct the activities of the Executive and their committees. To preside and establish committees. To delegate authority as he sees fit to any committees required to conduct CLUB activities.
- b. Vice-President To carry out, in the president's absence, all the duties of that office. To provide executive continuity to the best of his ability.
- c. Secretary To keep the minutes of all meetings and if unable to attend, to appoint a proxy to keep an accurate record which will then be added to the secretary's record of minutes. To handle all CLUB correspondence.
- d. Treasurer To collect, record and administer the revenues and expenditures of all CLUB funds. To make an up-to-date financial report at each regular meeting if requested.
- e. Safety Director To promote all phases of safety within the scope of the CLUB'S operations. To immediately upon becoming aware of a member breaking CLUB rules or some unsafe operation by a CLUB member, endangering other members or the general public, to take appropriate action. To report to the CLUB

executive, for their further action, any repeatedly unsafe practices by any CLUB member.

f. Field Manager

g. Chief Instructor

#### 4. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Officers of the CLUB with full authority to conduct the business of and to promote the aims and interests of the CLUB. Decisions regarding any proposals under consideration of the Executive may be made by a majority vote after each member of the Executive has been notified of the proposal. Any proposals for expenditures exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) must be put forward to the membership at a regular meeting or at a special meeting called at the discretion of the Executive.

#### 5. Committees

Committees may be set up by the Chairman or the Executive to conduct special CLUB activities.

#### 6. Removal From Office

Any Officer shall be removed from office provided the following conditions are followed:

- a. A special meeting to consider the removal of an officer must be called by the Executive Committee upon a written request signed by a minimum of ten CLUB members.
- b. Written notice of this special meeting must be sent to all CLUB members.
- c. A minimum of 51% of the CLUB membership must be present at this meeting in person or by proxy.
- d. The majority decision of the members at that special meeting shall be final.

#### 7. Filling of Vacancies

Should for any reason any office become vacant during the CLUB year, an election for a replacement will be held at the next CLUB meeting. Should there be no regular scheduled meeting within the next 30 days, or

should there be no nominations at or no quorum present at the scheduled meeting, the Executive shall have the authority to appoint a replacement.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **MEETINGS**

#### 1. Regular Meetings

The CLUB shall meet on a day and at a time and place specified in the Standing Resolutions. Decisions on any proposals presented to the meeting may be taken by a simple majority of members present, provided that any expenses involved shall be less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). For any expenses over that amount the membership must be notified by mail in advance of the meeting, at which time a majority of members present or by proxy will be able to make a binding decision.

#### 2. Annual Meetings

The Annual General Meeting shall be the regular December Meeting at which time any proposed amendments to the CLUB constitution shall be considered and voted upon. This meeting shall be the Annual Election meeting.

#### 3. Election Meeting

The Annual Election meeting shall be the December meeting.

#### 4. Special Meeting

A special meeting may be called at the discretion of the Executive.

#### 5. Election Voting

All voting shall be by a secret ballot unless otherwise directed by majority decision of the CLUB executive.

#### 6. Executive Meetings

Any time before the regular monthly meeting, the Executive shall meet at a prearranged time and place favorable to them, to discuss problems and business of the CLUB.

#### 7, Quorum

The necessary Quorum of members at any Meeting shall be 30 percent of the current CLUB membership either present or by proxy.

**ARTICLE IV FINANCE**

1. Financial Year

The fiscal year shall be the same as the membership year. (January 1 – December 31).

2. Dues

The Annual Dues for each class of membership shall be as set out in the Standing Resolutions.

3. Banking

Cheques drawn on the CLUB account must be signed by any two of the following officers: the President, the Secretary or the Treasurer. All revenues, disbursements, etc. of CLUB funds shall be properly documented by means of acceptable business practices.

**ARTICLE V INSURANCE**

The CLUB shall maintain out of CLUB funds the maximum coverage available through M.A.A.C. for third party liability for each CLUB approved flying field.

**ARTICLE VI ALTERATION OF BY-LAWS**

Any proposals to alter these by-laws shall be presented for debate in at least two regular meetings after which the Executive shall put any proposals to an immediate vote.

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**STANDING RESOLUTIONS**

S.R. #1- Meetings: Article III By-Laws Sec. 1

The regular monthly meeting shall take place at a time and place determined by the membership, from October to May.

S.R. #2- Dues Articles #'s I & IV By-Laws

The Executive shall set down the dues payable at the commencement of each CLUB year. Ten (10) dollars from each Open membership shall be reserved in the "Contingency Fund". In accordance with M.A.A.C. policy, if a new member joins after September 1, his CLUB dues shall be reduced by 50%. Renewal dues are due on the

last day of December of the preceding Membership year. If the renewal dues are not paid by the last day of February, a \$20.00 "late fee" will be assessed.

#### S.R. #3 -CLUB Insurance

See Article # V By-Laws

#### S.R. #4 -Dissolution of Club

Should for any reason this CLUB be disbanded any funds or assets remaining after all property accounts have been settled shall be donated to M.A.A.C. for furthering of modeling interest in Canada.

#### S.R. #5 Aerodrome Test Flights

Member wanting to fly at the Aerodrome, must have permission from the owner of the Aerodrome, Ralf Biancaniello will be the only contact to Heli Links to obtain permission to test fly. Flyer must have a radio monitor present; he must then go to the Hawks Field and place frequency pin – with a note. He will have 1 1/2 hours to make test flights, then return to the Hawks Field to remove frequency pin and note.

#### S.R. #6 Noise Mitigation

Club standard is 94db with an objective to get to 92db. If testing shows over 94db, pilot can fly for that day, but must take corrective measures to meet or be less than the Club standard. Then he must make arrangements to re-test before flying again. No flying will be allowed if testing measures 96db or over. Every effort shall be made to have new planes tested ASAP.

#### S.R. #7 FLYING AND SAFETY RULES:

1. Flight times, for all powered and non-powered flying activities, including running engines on the ground, are 10:00 a.m. until dusk, seven (7) days a week.
  2. Frequency markers are to be posted or removed from the frequency board by the person whose name is on the marker ONLY.
  3. A maximum of four (4) aircraft are allowed in the air at one time.
  4. Takeoffs and landings are to be made in the direction of the runways ONLY.
  5. No landing approaches are to be made from the North toward the pits.
  6. Airplanes that are landing must be given priority over others.
  7. No taxiing is allowed in the pit areas.
  8. No flying is allowed over the pit areas, the parking areas or to the SOUTH of the creek. However, Helicopters can use the area south of the creek, beside Station 7, for approach and landings if necessary.
  9. No children under the age of reason (7) are allowed past the spectator barrier.
  10. No pets are allowed beyond the spectator barrier.
- The initial turns on takeoff must be AWAY from the flight line.
12. All new or repaired aircraft must be inspected by the Safety Officer or by a qualified instructor before it can be flown.

13. All students must have an instructor. Club instructors assume no responsibility for the student's aircraft. NO one is permitted to fly by himself until he has completed the Wings Program or has been certified by the chief instructor.
14. If an aircraft is being flown for the first time, either when new or repaired after a crash, the pilot may request the field for himself in order to make sure the aircraft is air worthy.
15. Acceptable mufflers are mandatory on all engines.
16. All pilots (members, or guests) must have valid M.A.A.C. membership.
17. Frequency pins must be used at all times and a transmitter impound set up when deemed necessary by the Executive.
18. All spectators must be kept well away from the flight line.
19. All cars are to be parked in the specified area, not past or in front of the "hut".
20. The flying field is to be maintained free from scrap, debris, etc. and kept in a clean and neat condition.
21. No aircraft shall fly over the South East of the field or the West corner over the driveway, unless your taking off or landing an aircraft.
22. Flight station 7 will be the only "hovering" area for helicopters.
23. Helicopters must be flown from Flight station 6 and/or 7 only.
24. Visitors (non-members) will be granted flying privileges for 3 days in a one-year period. They must sign the Guest Book and must be sponsored by a member after showing a valid M.A.A.C. or A.M.A. membership.

S.R. # 8 M.A.A.C. WINGS PROGRAM:

The Wings Program and its recommendations and amendments as set out by M.A.A.C. shall be an integral part of the CLUB.