

Regulations and Procedures of the Pacific Northwest Fleet of the Classic Yacht Association

Article I: NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Pacific Northwest Fleet of the Classic Yacht Association. The geographic area of the Pacific Northwest Fleet encompasses the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Alaska, and Montana.

Article II: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the organization are reflected in the By-laws of the International Classic Yacht Association as delineated in Article II:

- A.** To promote and encourage an interest in the preservation, restoration and maintenance of fine old power driven pleasure crafts.
- B.** To promote, sanction and develop Corinthian yachting activities.
- C.** To cultivate a spirit of friendship among its members and to promote the welfare and happiness of its members.
- D.** To lease, purchase, use and enjoy, in fee simple or otherwise, any personal or real property necessary for the objectives the Pacific Northwest Fleet, and to buy and sell real or personal property and to apply incomes to the use of the Fleet.

Article III: MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be restricted to members of the Classic Yacht Association who pay their dues to the Pacific Northwest Fleet as well as *Charter, Life, and Honorary* members.

Article IV: CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

Classes of membership shall be those identified and defined by the Classic Yacht Association, and shall be as follows:

- A. Regular Members:** Those persons who own a qualified Classic or Vintage yacht. Regular members pay dues, have the right to vote, and may hold office.
- B. Associate Members:** Those who no longer own a qualified Classic or Vintage yacht but wish to remain active in CYA. Associate members will pay regular dues, may vote, and may hold office.
- C. Affiliate Members:** Those persons who do not own a qualified Classic or Vintage yacht but have an interest in old wooden pleasure craft and the objectives of the Classic Yacht Association. Affiliate members pay regular dues, may vote and hold Fleet office.
- D. Life Members:** Regular members whom the Association wishes to honor for outstanding service to CYA.
- E. Honorary Members:** For those persons or organizations that the Classic Yacht Association wishes to recognize for significant contributions to the objectives of the Association.
- F. Charter Members:** Classic Yacht Association Members who signed the CYA Articles of Incorporation have been designated as Charter Members.

Article V: MEETINGS

A. Annual Membership Meeting: There shall be an annual business meeting of the Bridge and the general membership of the Pacific Northwest Fleet of the Classic Yacht Association prior to November 1st of each year. The Bridge and International Directors for the following year shall be elected. The Bridge may utilize Absentee Balloting to conduct votes of the membership on such matters that it may, from time to time, deem appropriate. Any vote that includes absentee balloting shall be conducted in a manner that allows distribution of a final draft to the entire membership at least thirty days prior to the scheduled vote. All Pacific Northwest Fleet members are allowed one vote per membership number. Approval of any motion shall require a simple majority of the members casting votes. All other business to come before the Bridge shall be voted on by the members present.

B. Annual Change of Watch Meeting: There shall be an annual dinner meeting of the membership of the Pacific Northwest Fleet of the Classic Yacht Association. Such meeting shall occur on or before the last day of February.. The Bridge may elect to submit other agenda items for consideration by the Pacific Northwest Fleet Membership at this meeting, provided the draft of any proposal has been distributed to the membership at least ten days prior to the meeting.

C. Bridge Meetings: Meetings in addition to the Annual Meeting shall be held by the Bridge. Such meetings shall be held at quarterly intervals or as determined by the Commodore, or may be held within 30 days of receipt of written requests by regular members. Pacific Northwest Fleet International Directors shall be invited to attend all Bridge Meetings in an advisory capacity.

D. Annual Meetings of the International Classic Yacht Association: The Pacific Northwest Fleet will participate in annual meetings of the International Classic Yacht Association as such meetings are scheduled. The Pacific Northwest Fleet will provide a stipend for all members or Bridge-appointed alternate who are PNW Directors or who hold International CYA office under paragraph IX of the By-Laws of the Classic Yacht Association. The amount of the stipend will be determined annually by the Pacific Northwest Fleet Bridge officers.

Article VI: PACIFIC NORTHWEST BRIDGE

A. Pacific Northwest Bridge: The Bridge shall consist of the Staff Commodore, Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear Commodore, Oregon Staff Commodore, Secretary, and Treasurer.

B. Selection of Bridge: The Bridge shall be nominated at least 30 days prior to the Annual Membership Meeting and shall be elected by the voting members in attendance at this meeting. The Bridge may elect to distribute Absentee Ballots to the Membership in accordance with Article V Section A. All Absentee Ballots must be received by the Bridge prior to the start of the meeting and shall be counted with votes taken at that meeting. The Bridge shall take office upon installation at the annual Change of Watch meeting.

C. Duties of the Bridge: The Bridge maintains a fiduciary responsibility to the Membership of the Pacific Northwest Fleet. It shall be the duty of the Bridge to conduct all of the financial and organizational affairs of the Fleet. All decisions involving fundamental policies of the Fleet or significant expenditures of Fleet funds shall be submitted to the Membership for approval according to the procedures established in these *Regulations and Procedures*.

Article VII: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

A. Commodore: It shall be the duty of the Commodore to preside at all meetings and to perform all duties incident to the management of the affairs of the Pacific Northwest Fleet. The Commodore shall be responsible for communicating with all members of the PNW Bridge regarding affairs of the Pacific Northwest Fleet and with the International Board of Directors regarding Pacific Northwest Fleet issues and concerns.

B. Vice Commodore: The Vice Commodore shall assist the Commodore in the discharge of his/her duties and shall act as Commodore in the absence of the Commodore or in the case of a vacancy in the office of Commodore. The Vice Commodore shall Chair the Membership Committee and encourage the recruitment of new members into the Classic Yacht Association. The Vice Commodore shall also supervise the initiation of new members and work with the Fleet Historian to document the sale and transfer of member vessels.

C. Rear Commodore: The Rear Commodore shall assist the Commodore in the discharge of his/her duties and in the case of absence or vacancy in the office of Vice Commodore shall act as Vice Commodore, or in the case of absence or vacancies in the offices of both Vice Commodore and Commodore shall act as Commodore. It shall be the responsibility of the Rear Commodore to act as Editor of the Pacific Northwest Fleet newsletter and work with the Art Director to insure that it is published regularly and in a timely manner. The Rear Commodore shall also be responsible for organizing the annual Change of Watch meeting.

D. Oregon Staff Commodore: The Oregon Staff Commodore shall assist the Pacific Northwest Commodore in the promotion and growth of the Oregon membership.

E. Secretary: The Secretary shall maintain a record of the proceedings of the organization, maintain minutes of Bridge meetings and submit them to the Bridge for review and approval.

F. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall disburse all funds on behalf of the Pacific Northwest Fleet, keep an accounting and present reports on receipts and disbursements, and provide additional information with regards to the financial status of the organization as the Commodore or Bridge requests. The Treasurer shall submit an annual financial statement for presentation at the annual Membership Meeting.

G. Judge Advocate: The Judge Advocate shall be appointed by the Bridge annually. The Judge Advocate shall provide advice to the organization on request from the Commodore, members of the Bridge or International Directors.

H. Pacific Northwest Fleet Historian: The Historian shall gather and preserve all items of historical interest regarding classic pleasure craft and the Pacific Northwest Fleet. The Historian shall be appointed annually by the Bridge.

Article VIII: INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORS

The number and term of Pacific Northwest Fleet International Directors shall be in accordance with the by-laws of the International Classic Yacht Association. Nominations for International Directors shall be made at least 30 days prior to the Annual Membership Meeting and Directors shall be elected by the voting members in attendance. The Bridge may elect to distribute Absentee Ballots to the Membership in accordance with Article V Section A. All Absentee Ballots must be received by the Bridge prior to the start of the meeting and shall be counted with votes taken at that meeting. The Directors shall take office upon election, except in the case of a PNW Director who is replacing an international Flag Officer, in which case they will take office at the end of Day 1 of the International Board Meeting. The PNW Fleet International Directors shall communicate with and advise the Pacific Northwest Fleet Bridge and Membership regarding Classic Yacht Association issues and concerns as they pertain to the Pacific Northwest Fleet. Pacific Northwest Fleet International Directors shall represent the interests and positions of the Pacific Northwest Fleet to the International Board of Directors.

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Article IX: DUES, INITIATION FEES AND MEMBER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

Annual dues for the various categories of membership shall be determined by the Classic Yacht Association and the Pacific Northwest Fleet. Invoices for annual dues shall be mailed to the membership during the month of October of the preceding year. Dues shall be collected by the Pacific Northwest Fleet on behalf of the Classic Yacht Association in accordance with deadlines set by the International Bridge.

Article X: FLEETS

The Pacific Northwest Fleet shall not establish sub-fleets and shall refer questions regarding the development of new fleets to the Classic Yacht Association.

Article XI: AMENDMENTS

These *Regulations and Procedures* may be amended, or new *Regulations and Procedures created*, at the annual Membership Meeting or at a special meeting called, with 30 day written or electronic notice to voting members, for that purpose. Methods of electronic notification shall include e-mail, fax and postings to the Classic Yacht Association Website. The voting shall be conducted in a manner prescribed by the Bridge in accordance with existing *Regulations and Procedures*. All Pacific Northwest Fleet members are allowed one vote per membership number. Approval shall require a simple majority of the members casting votes. Tabulation and certification of the balloting shall be conducted by the Judge Advocate in the presence of the Secretary or another Bridge officer.

These PNW Fleet *Regulations and Procedures* approved and adopted at the PNW Fleet Annual Membership Meeting on October 16, 2010.