# BY-LAWS OF RANCHO MURIETA CORVETTES

### **ARTICLE I**

### **SECTION 1. NAME**

The name of the Club shall be **Rancho Murieta Corvettes (RMC)**. It shall consist of an Executive Board of Officers, and a general membership.

### **SECTION 2. PURPOSE**

The general purpose of the Club shall be to encourage planned trips, events and social activities for Members, to provide and regulate events and exhibitions for Corvette owners, to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways, and to conduct charitable activities and donations to individuals or organizations for charitable purposes.

### **ARTICLE II**

### **SECTION 1. MEMBERS**

- A. Membership in the Club shall be restricted to owners of any generation Corvette.
- B. Members must be at least 21 years of age and reside in the Rancho Murieta Community. Any exception will be subject to the vote of the Executive Board. Prospective non-resident members must be sponsored by a resident member. Non-resident membership shall not exceed 20% of the total membership.
- C. Members in the Club will be encouraged to host, co-host, or plan a minimum of one run or activity/event per year.
- D. The Executive Board can grant annual honorary RMC membership.

# **SECTION 2. DUES**

A. Active regular membership is the sum of RMC membership dues as stated on the application form, and any additional amounts as determined by the Executive Board..

- B. Members will be notified at the November meeting that the annual Club dues are to be paid in advance for the following year. Any member who does not pay dues by the January Club meeting date will be considered a non-member and will only be reinstated when full payment has been made.
  - 1. Any member who wishes to resign will receive no refund of dues.
  - 2. Annual dues will be paid as follows:
    - a. Returning Members will pay full annual dues of \$30 for RMC.
    - b. New Members joining RMC before July 1 will pay the annual membership dues of \$40. New members joining after June 30 will pay \$25 membership dues for the remainder of the year.

# **SECTION 3. PRIVILEGES**

Active Members are entitled to all Club privileges.

In order to participate in any general voting at RMC meetings, members must be present to participate. No proxy votes will be accepted from members not attending that specific meeting.

### **SECTION 4. EXPULSION**

Every member of RMC will conduct themselves in a manner benefiting RMC while attending any Corvette-related event. Any conduct detrimental to RMC must be brought to the attention of the RMC Board in writing and is subject to membership vote for suspension or expulsion from RMC.

Any member may be suspended/terminated by a majority vote of Club Members present after three-fourths of the Officers determine if suspension/termination may be in order. If suspension or expulsion is determined, no refund of membership fees will occur.

## **SECTION 5. RESIGNATION**

Any member may resign by directing a letter of resignation to the Secretary. The resignation shall be effective upon receipt, provided all indebtedness to the Club is paid and all Club properties have been returned to the Club. Membership dues are not refundable.

#### ARTICLE III

# **SECTION 1. ANNUAL MEETING**

The annual meeting for the purpose of electing Officers will be held at the regular business meeting in November.

### **SECTION 2. MEETINGS**

Regular meetings of the Executive Board shall be held the second (2nd) Tuesday of every other month.

Regular monthly general membership meetings shall be held the third (3rd) Wednesday of each month.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

**SECTION 1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS** (The following summarizes the duties of the members of the Executive Board. A full description is available in the Duty Statement of each position as provided by the Secretary.)

### A. President

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Members and Executive Board. He/she shall be Chief Executive of the Club. The President:

- 1. May call special meetings of Members
- 2. Has the power to fill appointive offices
- 3. Welcomes/introduces guests, provides guest names to secretary

### B. Vice-President

In the absence of the President or in the case of his/her resignation or inability to act, the duties usually pertaining to that office shall be performed by the Vice-President.

### C. Secretary

The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Members and Executive Board and shall record all minutes and votes in a book kept for this purpose. RMC monthly meeting minutes shall be made available upon request. He/she shall give all notices of meetings to the Members required by these Bylaws and shall perform all duties incident to this office required by the majority vote of the Executive Board. He/she shall have custody of the Club's records. In the absence of the Secretary from said meetings, the presiding Officer pro tempore shall choose a Secretary.

# D. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be made by the Executive Board, have custody of all monies, debts, and obligations belonging to the Club. He/she shall receive all monies of the Club and deposit it in the Club account. He/she shall make all payments of Club debts upon approval of the Executive Board. All contracts, checks, drafts, notes, or other orders for payment of money shall be signed in the name of the Club by any two (2) of the Officers for amounts over \$500, else one signature is required. He/she shall give bond, at the Club expense, if required by the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall provide a written report on the financial status of the Club at the Annual Meeting and, if so directed, at any other meeting of the Executive Board. The Treasurer without specific approval of the Executive Board shall incur no obligation, debt, or other liability.

# E. Membership Director

The Membership Director shall maintain the club roster as members join or terminate membership; process all membership applications and provide a "membership kit" to new members (e.g. copy of by-laws, instructions to access the club Web site, and car membership sign).

#### F. Events Coordinator

The Events Coordinator shall coordinate events and activities of the Club, send event information to Club members, and coordinate with the Club's Webmaster for posting the events calendar and activity information on the Club's website. If deemed necessary, he/she can create and Chair an Events Committee.

# **G.** Member Representatives

The President may appoint representatives of the general membership to serve on the Executive Board. Such representatives shall attend Board meetings and will have full Board voting rights in matters affecting the Club.

### **H.** Past President

The immediate Past President shall serve on the Board. The Past President shall assist the President and Board in assuring a smooth and orderly transition of office and serve as Advisor to the Executive Board.

### **SECTION 2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A. Nominations of officers shall take place during the business meetings held in October and November in the years of election. Any member in good standing may nominate another member in good standing, providing the nominated member has been with the club at least one year. A member in good standing is one in which no actions by the Executive Board has been brought upon. Any member nominated must confirm their acceptance as a candidate prior to or during the November meeting.

## B. Method of Elections

- 1. The secretary will prepare the ballot and include the ballot in the November Business meeting minutes.
- 2. Election is by secret ballot returned at the November meeting or by absentee ballot. Absentee balloting for election of Officers is permitted by written vote emailed to the Club Secretary and must be received prior to the November meeting.
- 3. Ballots will be counted immediately at the November meeting by the Secretary and two members of RMC not running for a Board position, and reported to the club President before the end of the November meeting.
- 4. A special election shall be called to fill any office for the remaining term, vacated through resignation, dismissal, or failure of the officer to fulfill the duties of the office.

# C. Term

- 1. No individual may hold more than one elective position.
- 2. Terms of office shall be two calendar years.
- 3. A spouse or significant other, or any other family member of an elected Club Officer, may not be an officer in the club during the same term.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **SECTION 1. FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year shall be from January 1 through December 31.

### SECTION 2. FINANCIAL RECORDS

The Treasurer shall provide a written report on the financial status of the Club at the Annual Meeting and monthly meetings and, if so directed, at any other meeting of the Executive Board.

### **ARTICLE VI**

# SECTION 1. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The President shall appoint such committees as he/she finds desirable from time to time and shall outline the duties and responsibilities of such committees. All reports or action taken by a committee must be voted on by a majority of the entire committee.

### **ARTICLE VII**

## **SECTION 1. PERSONAL LIABILITY**

All persons attending any Club event, meeting, or run must ensure that his/her Corvette insurance is current. In addition, a waiver must be signed which releases Rancho Murieta Corvettes, its Board, club members, and anyone connected from all personal and public damages and any liabilities that may result from participation in any runs, events and/or meetings.

#### ARTICLE VIII

### SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

New By-Laws may be adopted or these By-Laws may be amended or repealed by the affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the entitled voting members present at any duly called business meeting of members. The application or effect of any By-Laws may be suspended or waived by the affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the entitled voting members present at any duly called meeting of members.

\*\* End of By-Laws \*\*