

**ARTICLE 1. NAME:**

The name of the organization shall be Silver Spur Rodeo Club (herein referred to as SSRC)

**ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE:**

1. To offer a unified and organized horse speed and roping events association.
2. To offer a variety of timed speed events to please most breeds of horses.

**ARTICLE 3. MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING:**

1. Membership shall be open to anyone interested in participating and promoting the purpose of the SSRC.
2. Any current year paid member has full voting rights.
  - a) Each individual membership has one vote at end of year general meeting.
  - b) Each family membership has up to two votes (if there are two members of the family present and at least 18 years of age).
3. Memberships are not transferable and nonrefundable.
4. Membership fees for the year will be determined annually.
5. Membership will be defined as any member who is currently a paid member and is entitled to participate in all monthly shows and participate in the membership meetings and banquet.
6. Membership in this club may be revoked for any of the following reasons:
  - a) Violation of the by-laws and current SSRC rulebook, or duly adopted resolution of the club.
  - b) Conduct detrimental to the best interest of the club. The basis of revoking membership shall be as follows: after investigation at a hearing to which the member would be invited to attend, if, in the opinion of the majority of the board of directors, a membership should be revoked. A majority vote of the Executive Board present at the meeting will be necessary to revoke a membership.
7. No member shall be eligible for membership to the club, nomination to any office, to hold office or to vote on any issue or participate in the election of officers or directors or sit on the board of directors who fails to settle, for any purpose, his or her indebtedness to the club.
8. The Executive board serves the right to refuse, by majority vote, membership to anyone or attendance to club or club related activities.

**ARTICLE 4. OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

1. Executive Officers of SSRC shall consist of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. These officers shall serve as the Executive Directors of the Club.
2. The Board of Directors shall include the Executive Directors as well as the event directors.
3. If in any case, the total number of Board Members drops, the Executive board may, by majority vote, add a board member with the responsibility assigned as part of the board position.
4. All Board Members of the club with the exception of Treasurer shall be elected annually by the membership at the yearend meeting. The election shall be by hand or popularity vote; however, in the case of only one (1) person being nominated for the office, a hand or voice vote may be

taken. Each officer shall hold office until his/her successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified. Terms of office shall begin at the end of last show. All Executive board members shall pass on all documents and assets to his/her successor by January 1<sup>st</sup> before the next show year. Legal actions may be taken to acquire club property if member refuses to pass on club property and documents.

## **ARTICLE 5. HOME ARENA:**

Silver Spur rodeo club "home" shall be West Cal Arena in Sulphur, La. Except in the event of an emergency; such as damage to the facility, natural or manmade disaster or compromising issue with show dates.

## **ARTICLE 6. MEETINGS:**

1. The annual meeting of the members shall be at the yearend meeting at which the Executive Board will post place, time and date.
2. Meetings will generally follow Robert Rules of Order.
3. Information-Only meetings may be held as needed throughout the year at regularly scheduled events.
4. Decision-making meetings of the membership require the following:
  - a) Verbal notice must be provided to the membership at one or more shows stating the place, day and time of year end meeting.
  - b) The notice must include the list from the suggestion box of topics to be discussed at the meeting.

## **ARTICLE 7. MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

1. Annual membership dues are assessed by single or family enrollment.
2. Household will be defined as persons in immediate family living at that present address.
3. The entry fees in the monthly shows will be determined by Executive board by the first show date.

## **ARTICLE 8. AMENDMENTS:**

The rules may be altered at year end meeting of membership as provided in Article 6 providing that the following requirements are met.

1. Changes to the bylaws or rules must be submitted to the Executive board. If the board votes in favor of presenting the proposed change it will be put forward to the membership at the year end meeting or at a special-called meeting in accordance with Article 6.
2. A copy of the proposed amendment must be submitted to the board of directors at least 10 days prior to the meeting.
3. The name(s) of the member(s) submitting the amendment must appear on the amendment.
4. The amendment will be read aloud at the membership year end meeting by the presiding officer.

5. A vote “yes or no” on the amendment will be taken.
6. The amendment must receive a majority vote of all members present to pass.

## **ARTICLE 9. OFFICERS:**

1. President - the president shall be the administrative head and oversee all interest of the club, shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as are required, and contact the arenas for available show dates. The president also aids the treasurer as needed. The President will sign all club checks.
2. Vice-president - the vice-president shall assist the President, shall assume the duties of the president in his/her absence and/or resignation, will contact appropriate help when needed and shall prepare. The Vice President will co-sign all club checks.
3. Secretary - the secretary will keep accurate books of Points at the shows. They will also keep accurate minutes at all meetings. The secretary will record Points on a spread sheet and have this available at the next show.
4. Treasurer - the treasurer will handle the club's accounts, including all of the club memberships entry fees, sponsorships, arena rental, insurance and other monthly bills. He/she shall maintain proper records and accounts of receipts and expenditures, request a draw on the club's bank account after satisfying his/herself as to the propriety of the expenditure from the President and Vice President.
5. They will have available accurate records at all times. The treasurer will be available at the show to work the registration table or to assign person/persons to take over this responsibility. In the event of a vacancy of an office or event directorship other than president, the Executive Board will appoint a person to fill the vacancy. Notification of this appointment will be verbally made to the membership at the next scheduled event.
6. In the event of a vacancy of the President, the Board will call a special meeting of the membership in accordance with Article 6.

## **ARTICLE 10. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Membership is open to any horse enthusiast that has filled out a membership form and has paid the appropriate annual membership fees.
2. Active members shall be notified of show dates and allowed to participate in the show as long as they can submit a clean health certificate or coggins certificate for their horses.

## **ARTICLE 11. RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Silver Spurs Rodeo Club reserves the rights to their website and facebook accounts. Any information added to these sites must be approved by President and/or Vice President.
2. The Club assumes no responsibility or liability for injury, loss or damage to any person, property or stock or to the Lessor of such property or stock.

## **ARTICLE 11. DISSOLUTION:**

1. Any meeting in which dissolution is to be voted on shall be promoted as outlined in Article 6.

2. A vote for dissolution shall require that a quorum of one-half-plus-one of the voting membership be present and receive at least two-thirds of the votes in favor of dissolution to be adopted.
3. Any assets belonging to the club at the time of dissolution shall be donated to a horse related organization such as the Calcasieu parish 4-H Horse project or Calcasieu Parish Therapeutic Riding Center either one being decided upon by general vote at time of dissolution.

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