

Southeastern Touring Group
MAFCA Special Interest Group
By-Laws

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Article I - Name

The name of the organization shall be the Southeastern Touring Group and shall herein after be called "club". This club is a Special Interest Group of the Model A Ford Club of America herein after called MAFCA. MAFCA is an international organizations dedicated to the preservation of the Ford Model A.

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of this club shall be:

Section 1. To serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information and touring in Model A Fords.

Section 2. To unite in a central club all owners of Model A Fords who are interested in touring in these automobiles. It shall further be the purpose of this club to help those owners become better acquainted, encouraged and to maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship, sociality and fair play through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A Ford and family participation.

Section 3. This club shall be non-commercial and non-partisan.

Article III - Members

The club shall be family oriented. Each member is required to be members of MAFCA.

The following defines the requirements for members of this club.

Section 1. Classes of membership: The club shall have three (3) classes of members: Individual, Family and Life Member:

(A) Individual Membership: An individual member shall be entitled to receive the newsletter via email.

(B) Family Membership: A family membership shall be entitled to receive one copy of the newsletter via email.

(C) Life Membership: A member deserving of special recognition for his/her dedication to the club through their significant, continuing and unusual efforts for the betterment of the hobby may be awarded a Life Membership to the club. This status shall be recommended to the membership by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership at a business meeting. The life member will not be charged club dues and shall retain all the rights of a club member.

An applicant for membership must be of good character as to be of benefit to the club and its functions and objectives and must display sincerity of purpose.

Section 2. Distribution of the newsletter will be by website and/or email.

Section 3. Application: All new applicants must submit a club application form along with current annual dues. The applicant shall submit the application and dues via the club web site. If a member drops out of the club for a period of at least one year and wishes to rejoin, a new application must be submitted. Dues paid by a new applicant on or after November 1st shall constitute payment of the full dues for the next calendar year with membership commencing in the year of receipt of payment.

Section 4. Dues: Membership dues as submitted in a dues notice, via newsletter, to each member are due and payable by January 1 each year. Lack of dues payment by February 15th shall immediately terminate the membership of the member. Membership dues as recommended by the Board of Directors and voted on at an official business meeting shall be reflected in the club minutes for the record.

Section 5. Termination of Membership: If a member proves dissatisfactory, the member may be removed by a two-thirds majority secret ballot vote of the members present at a regular business meeting of the club.

Article IV - Club Meetings

Section 1. Meetings: Meetings will only be held during a tour. There must be two meetings per calendar year. There may be more, but no less than two. Each meeting shall have a business meeting for the purpose of transacting such business as may come before the club.

Section 2. Notice of meetings: A notice stating the place, day and hour of any meeting of club members shall be delivered by email to each club member at least one week in advance of the meeting date.

Section 3. Meeting and Tour Participation: All tour participants will be members of the club, hold current MAFCA membership and tour only in a 1928-1931 Ford Model A automobile.

Section 4. Quorum: A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members present attending the business meeting providing it is a stated regular meeting or one that has been properly called with discussion topic published.

Article V - Club Officers

Section 1. Elected Officers: The elected officers of the club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. With the exception of the Newsletter Editor the elected officers shall not be member and spouse of the same family membership. Each elected officer shall be a member in good standing. Other directors and committees of non-elected status for the promotion of club business and activities may be recommended and approved by the Board or nominated from the floor at a business meeting.

Section 2. Method of electing Club Officers: Officers of the club shall be elected annually by secret ballot in January. Nominations for new officers each year shall be identified as follows: A nominating committee consisting of the existing elected officers will bring a slate of nominees.

Section 3. Vacancies (elected or non elected), new offices and committees:

Filling a vacancy in any existing board position or staffing of newly created offices or committees may be by recommendation and approval of the Board or by floor nominations and approved at any club business meeting.

Section 4. Elected officer Duties and Term of Office:

(A) President: The President shall be the principal executive officer of the club and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the club. This is to include the preparation of the annual budget that will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and later presented to the general membership. The President shall preside at all meetings and in general perform all duties incident to the office of the President. The term of office will be for one year with a maximum of two concurrent years.

(B) Vice-President: In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice-President shall perform other such duties as assigned by the President. The term will be for one year with a maximum of two concurrent years.

(C) Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be responsible for all funds and securities of the club and in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and other such duties as assigned by the President. The Treasurer will receive and give receipts for all money due the club, deposit all such money in the name of the club in banks, trust companies or depositories as approved by the club. The Treasurer shall provide a written treasurer's report to the Secretary, at each business meeting, to be made a part of the meeting minutes. The report shall show dates, a beginning balance, money received, money dispensed and an ending balance. The term will be for one year with a maximum of four concurrent years.

(D) Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings of the members and the Board of Directors; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws; and in

general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors. The term will be for one year with a maximum of three concurrent years.

(E) Newsletter Editor: The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for preparing the club newsletter. The Board of Director's actions and the official actions of the club regarding the newsletter shall guide the Editor. Distribution of the newsletter may be by web site and email. The Newsletter Editor will be for one year with concurrent terms optional.

ARTICLE VI - Board of Directors

Section 1. General. The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the club. The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers as described above in Article V and others as described below and appointed by the Board. Board positions may be added or deleted as the affairs of the club dictate. The terms of appointed directors shall be one year with consecutive terms optional.

Board members in addition to the elected officers are:

(A) Membership Director: The Membership Director will be responsible for updating the membership roster in late February and providing a copy to each club member by means of email and/or the web site. The Membership Director shall prepare a dues notice to be emailed to each member during the month of November for club dues that are due as of January 1 of the New Year and payable through the club website only. The Membership Director will prepare and submit the annual club renewals with MAFCA each December after the club Officers and Directors are established for the New Year. He/she shall perform other such duties as assigned by the President.

(B) Safety Officer: The Safety Officer will be responsible for determining if proposed tour routes are the safest route to travel in a Model A Ford.

Section 2. Director Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President or any two Directors. The person or Directors authorized to calling a special meeting of the Board of Directors may fix the time and place, including electronic meetings, for holding any special meeting of the Board of Directors called by them. Notice of a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least two days previous thereto to all the Directors.

Section 3. Director Quorum. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided, that if less than a majority of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting without further notice.

Section 4. Director Vacancies. The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors. A member of the Board of Directors approved to fill a vacancy shall be approved for the unexpired term of his/her predecessor in office.

Section 5. Director Removal. The Board of Directors may remove any member of the Board of Directors whenever such member indicates a noticeable disinterest in the welfare of the club. Such removal requires a vote by the Board of Directors, with majority ruling.

Section 6. MAFCA Liability Insurance: MAFCA provides liability insurance for the officers and Directors of the club as well as club activities.

Article VII - Finances

Section 1. No officer has the authority to spend or obligate the club for any amount without the specific prior authority of a majority of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The financial records of the club may be informally audited by a club member appointed by the Board of Directors at the beginning of the new calendar year.

Section 3. Requests by the membership to allocate any of the club finances shall be brought up in writing to the Board of Directors who will discuss and vote on the request. The result will be brought up at the next scheduled membership meeting, or at a special meeting called by the President if the matter is urgent.

Article VIII - Calendar Year

The calendar year of the club shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December of each year. Annual membership dues will apply accordingly.

Article IX - Not-For-Profit Organization

The Club operates as a not-for-profit organization and was established to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas and touring of the Model A Ford and to aid them in their efforts.

Article X - By-Laws

Section 1. Intent: It is the intent of these By-Laws to be in general agreement with the MAFCA By-Laws and policies. Any differences ruled in conflict shall be resolved in accordance with Article X, Section 2 of these Bylaws.

Section 2. Amendments: These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed.

Article XIII - Dissolution

Rights of Dissolution: In the event of dissolution of the club, distribution of the assets of the club then remaining shall be donated to an appropriate charitable organization selected by the Board of Directors.