# **NEW SOUTH CRUISERS BY-LAWS**

#### **ARTICLE I**

#### Name

The name of this organization shall be New South Cruisers, and its principal office shall be in Dothan, Alabama. The club shall be incorporated as 501-C (Internal Revenue Service non-profit status) and shall file appropriate IRS form and corporate forms each year.

### **ARTICLE II**

# **Purposes**

The overall purpose of this organization is to preserve and promote the collector car culture in the Wiregrass. As a group, we promote fellowship, goodwill, and fun to our members and their families. By promoting and organizing car shows, cruises-ins, and other automotive-related activities, we generate revenue to give back to our community in the form of scholarships and donations.

# **ARTICLE III**

#### **Members**

# Section 1: Requirements

- Requirements for membership shall not insist upon the actual possession of an antique automobile.
- A new member must be sponsored by a member in good standing.
- All prospective members will sign that they have read, understand, and agree to abide by the by-laws.
- Membership can be terminated by a majority vote of the board of directors for any reason it deems necessary.
- Dues are not refundable.

# Section 2: Dues

The dues payable by members shall be in the amount established by the Board and shall be payable no later than the first meeting in January of each year. New members dues extend through the following year after six (6) months.

# Section 3: Personal Liability

All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with, or having any claim against the corporation or the Board of Directors shall look only to the funds and property of the corporation for payment of any such contract or claim.

#### ARTICLE IV

# **Meetings of Members**

Section 1: Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the members shall be held during August in each year.

Section 2: Regular Meetings

Regular meetings of the members shall be held monthly.

Section 3: Special Meetings

Special meetings of the members may be called either by the President, another officer, or not less than one-tenth of the members.

Section 4: Notice of Special Meetings

A written or telephone notice stating the place, day, and hour of any special meeting shall be delivered to each member of such meeting, and the purpose for which the special meeting is called shall be stated in the notice.

Section 5:

All meetings shall be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order (Revised).

Section 6:

The Board of Directors shall meet each month to conduct the club's business prior to the regular meetings.

# ARTICLE V

#### **Officers**

The officers of the club shall be a President, an Internal Vice-President, an External Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

Section 1: Election, Term of Office

Officers of the club shall be elected at the annual meeting and shall serve for the period following the annual meeting at which they were elected through the following annual meeting. Officers may serve for a maximum of two consecutive terms an officer may serve longer than two consecutive terms by consent of the officer and two- thirds vote of present members.

Section 2: Vacancies

A vacancy in office during the year shall be filled by appointment from the Board of Directors and approved by a ½ vote of the members present.

Section 3: Removal from office

Any elected or appointed officer or committee member may be removed from office for misconduct, or negligence of his duties.

Section 4: 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. He shall preside at all meetings of the members and shall perform all duties

incident to the office of President.

Section 5: Internal Vice-President

The Internal Vice-President shall assist the president as Program Coordinator, and be responsible for the planning of all programs and activities for all regular meetings.

Section 6: External Vice-President

The External Vice-President shall work with the President to be in charge of the coordination of the outside activities of the clubs (shows, etc.)

Section 7: Secretary

The Secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings, create and distribute monthly newsletter, and emailing members, as needed, and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary.

Section 8: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds of the club. The Treasurer shall be required to prepare and present a financial report at each scheduled monthly meeting.

# **ARTICLE VI**

# The Official Board

Section 1: Official Board

The Official Board shall contain nine members. These members are the five club officers, the Membership and the Publication Committee chairmen, the immediate Past President or member-at-large, and one person elected member-at-large each year.

Section 2: Responsibilities

The Official Board is responsible for all phases of the club's activities.

Section 3: Vacancy

A vacancy on the board will be filled by appointment by the remaining members of the board.

# **ARTICLE VII**

# **Elections**

Section 1: Time

The election of officers shall be held during the annual meeting in August.

Section 2: Re-election of Officers

A Person may be re-elected to a given office for a maximum of two consecutive terms. An officer may serve for longer than two consecutive terms by consent of the officer and a two-thirds vote of members present.

Section 3: Nomination from the floor

At the time of the election of officers, nominations from the floor shall be accepted, provided the nominee has previously agreed to serve in that office, if elected.

# **ARTICLE VIII**

# Audit

The President shall appoint an audit committee of two people to audit the club books the first week of January of each year to have it prepared by the end of the month or prior to the January member meeting.

# ARTICLE IX

# Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the club shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December in each year.

# ARTICLE X

# **Amendments to the By-Laws**

These by-laws may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of the members present at the meeting of the members, provide at least ten days written notice is given of intention to alter, amend, or repeal, or to adopt new by-laws at such meeting.

# New South Cruisers Operating Guidelines

- 1. Initial dues will be \$30/year (with the year beginning January 1). A spouse will be included in the \$30 membership fee.
- 2. New South Cruisers' car shows and cruise-ins will be recommended by the Board and voted on by the club membership.
- 3. Board of Directors meetings will be at a time and place to be set by the Board.
- 4. All car show participants MUST register and are not guaranteed a trophy.
- 5. Club members' vehicles may be in a New South Cruisers club show, but will *NOT* be judged and members *DO NOT* receive trophies.