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Hard Times Street Rods, Inc. Bylaws

Article I Name and Emblem

Section 1. The name of the club is the Hard Times Street Rods, Inc. located in Newport, Tennessee.

Section 2. The emblem of the club will be a 37 Ford parked in an old garage.

Section 3. The colors of the club will be Brown and Yellow.

Article II Purpose

Section 1. The preservation of antique or historical automobiles by restoring these automobiles into a safe operating specialty vehicle.

Article III Objectives

Section 1. To promote interest in various forms of street rodding activity.

Section 2. To create and promote food, fellowship, and sportsmanship among all members of this sport.

Section 3. To uphold the principles of good government.

Section 4. To conduct club functions and activities in a manner befitting members of the street rodding sport, and to encourage a better understanding of the restoring of antique or historical vehicles, a constructive family sport, among members of the public, press, and all enforcement agencies.

Section 5. To promote and stress safety in driving, automobile maintenance, and overall vehicle operation.

Section 6. To promote and support the National Street Rod Association, as this club is to be NSRA affiliated.

Article IV Membership

Section 1. This club shall consist of no more than twenty five (25) active members.

Section 2. There shall be two types of membership in this club; Active and Inactive.

Section 3. Club membership is limited to:

A. Persons owning a car or truck of 1972 or earlier manufacture.

B. Car must be restored or in the process of restoration.

C. If a car is sold, member has 12 months to replace.

Section 4. All candidates desiring membership to this club must:

A. Fill in information on application form and submit to the membership committee.

Membership committee will review and present application to club. Membership committee will invite applicant to a future meeting.

B. Applicant will attend two (2) consecutive regular meetings.

C. Applicants will be voted on at a meeting after two consecutive meetings, and the applicant will not attend this meeting.

1. Applicant must have the vote of a majority of members present before becoming a member.

2. Applicant will be notified by mail of acceptance or rejection.

D. Each member should attend at least three (3) car shows a year, and report on them to the club.

Section 4. All members will obey traffic laws and maintain their street rod in areas of safety to sustain their membership.

Section 5. Any undesirable conduct by any member, while in any function or activity, which may degrade this club or sport in the eyes of the public, press and/or law enforcement agency, will be grounds for expulsion of membership by the board of directors.

Section 6. The membership of this club will not tolerate any excessive drinking of alcoholic beverages, the use of drugs, and/or any form of street racing while involved in any activity of this sport.

Section 7. Any member missing more than (3) consecutive meetings without contacting a club member with an excusable reason, such as work, sickness or any uncontrollable circumstance will be dropped from the club or given the opportunity to become inactive.

Section 8. Inactive members must have been an active member for five years and they will have the same privileges as active members except;

A. They are not required to attend monthly meetings.

B. They have no voting privileges.

C. They pay no dues.

D. Should an inactive member wish to become active again they will have priority over non members to become active if, or when, an opening is available.

Article V Dues

Section 1. Dues for the club members will be Twenty-five (25) dollars per year.

Section 2. Dues are paid at the January meeting each year.

Section 3. If dues are not paid by March 1st. membership will be terminated.

Section 4. When new members are accepted in the club, dues will be payable at this time, except those becoming a member after July 1st. will not pay dues again until January after their first anniversary.

Article VI Officers

Section 1. The elected officers of the club include President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. A majority of the Board of Directors constitutes a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. The Board of Directors consists of the President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President.

Article VII Elections.

Section 1. All nominees for any office must be a member in good standing.

A. Nominees for office must have one year of good standing before holding office.

Section 2. All elected officers and Board of Director members must remain members in good standing for the duration of their terms in office.

Section 3. All officers and directors are elected at the November meeting.

Section 4. Nomination must be made from the floor during a regular meeting; all voting will be by a show of hands.

Section 5. All voting in this club will be by a show of hands by the majority of the membership and/or secret ballot. A majority of the membership present will carry.

Amendments to the by-laws will require two thirds majority of the membership present to carry.

Article VIII Duties of Officers

Section 1. The President will preside over all meetings of the club; serve as chairman of the Board of Directors; act as ex-officious member of all committees; issue the call for regular and special Board of Directors. meetings; schedule regular elections, and be sure they are held in accordance with this constitution; and carry out direction of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The Vice President will perform all duties of the President in his absence.

Section 3. The Secretary will record and maintain the minutes of the meetings of the club, maintain membership records; record members present at meetings; give notice of all

regular and special meetings of the membership and Board of Directors; based on directives from the President; and supervise all records of the club.

Section 4. The treasurer will collect dues; collect all other income due the club, maintain the club accounting books; make payments from club funds when so ordered by the Board of Directors; and make regular reports of the club's financial status to the Board of Directors.

Section 5. The Board of Directors constitutes the Executive Board of the club, responsible for the execution, through its officers, of the authorized policies; by the majority vote.

Fills vacancies in any office of the Board of Directors; and submits to the club during regular meetings and recommendations affecting the policies of the club which have been previously approved.

Article IX Meetings

Section 1. A majority of members in good standing constitutes a quorum.

Section 2. Regular membership meetings will be held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. However, should the first Monday fall on a Holiday the meeting will be held on the second Monday. Also, the Board of Directors may reschedule any meeting as they deem necessary; providing the secretary notifies each member of the changes.

Section 3. Special membership meetings and special Board of Director meetings can be called by the President.

Section 4. Roberts Rules of Order will be applied during meetings to effect parliamentary procedure; unless otherwise amended and provided for in the by-laws.

Section 5. The order of business for all meetings of the club and the Board of Directors is as follows:

- a. Call to order
- b. Roll call
- c. Introduction of visitors
- d. Reading and approval of minutes of previous meetings
- e. Reading of correspondence.
- f. Secretary's report.
- g. Treasurer's report.
- h. Committee's reports.
- i. Unfinished business.
- j. New business.
- k. Announcements
- l. Adjournment.

Article X Safety Check.

Section 1. Every active member of the club will strive to have his car pass the NSRA safety check as this club would like to be 100% in this category also.

Section 2. Each member's vehicle should contain a fire extinguisher which is easily accessible.

Article XI Delegations

Section 1. Delegations will be appointed by the President, but are subject to approval of the Board of Directors, to represent the club at any club convention, meeting, or assembly that may be deemed necessary. Any and/or all delegations are authorized to exercise only those powers specifically vested in them by the Board of Directors.

Article XII Amendments

Section 1. The club constitution and by-laws can be amended at regular or special meetings of the membership in attendance to which there is a quorum (two thirds majority of all members present in good standing), provided the Board of Directors has previously approved the merits of the proposed amendment. After Board of Directors approval, notice must be furnished to each member at least one week before the proposed amendment is voted upon.

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HARD TIMES STREET RODS

Constitution and By-laws