

Barren River Rod & Gun Club, Inc.



Constitution and By-Laws

Enacted 1967

Amended 1974, 2015, 2019

Amended by the Membership on August 5, 2021.

Incorporated under the Laws of the State of Kentucky as a non-profit organization.

Article I (Name)

The name of the corporation is, and it shall be known as THE BARREN RIVER ROD AND GUN CLUB INC.

Article II (Objectives)

The Barren River Rod and Gun Club Inc declares as its objectives:

No. 1. The conservation of fish, wildlife, and natural resources.

No. 2. The owning of land to provide its own meeting quarters and to develop family recreational facilities for its membership.

No. 3. The encouragement of all forms of healthful outdoor recreation; development of friendly cooperation between sportsmen and landowners, this relationship to be one of mutual interest, and assistant, with the sportsman at all times respecting the rights and wishes of the farm owner, and he in turn to cooperate fully with the sportsman club in its endeavor to make the Commonwealth better in all phases of conservation; to cooperate with agriculture agencies; to cooperate with the league of Kentucky Sportsmen, Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and with Civic Clubs where the club's interest will be helpful and needed. The education of the growing generation in ideals of sportsmanship and as to the importance and value of sound conservation policy and administration; and uphold the principles of good government.

Article III (Officers)

Government of the Barren River Rod and Gun Club Inc is vested in the officers and the board of directors as follows:

Section 1. The officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and a 12 member board (amended June 2015) of which the President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Recording Secretary shall be members. The President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Recording Secretary shall serve as officers of the board as well as for the club.

Section 2. The President shall not be entitled to a vote at any time, except in case of a tie.

Section 3. Each officer must be, at the time of his election, a member in good standing.

Section 4. The board of directors shall have power to fill vacancies in office, however caused, but tenure of office so filled shall cease at the expiration of the regular term.

Section 5. The 12 member board of directors is empowered to act on any issue of interest and betterment of the club without prior contact with the membership, if it receives a majority vote of a quorum.

Article IV (Elections)

Section 1. The President shall appoint a nominating committee, consisting of not less than three members, for the purpose of proposing the names of candidates for the various club offices. This committee shall be appointed at the June meeting.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall report its findings to the board of directors at the July meeting.

Section 3. An election shall be held at the regular August membership meeting. At this meeting nominations for all offices to be filled in the succeeding year may also be made from the floor.

Section 4. All officers shall be elected annually and shall take office on September 1, the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Section 5. The President & Vice President shall not hold the same office for more than two consecutive years.

Article V (Duties of Officers)

Section 1. The officers of the Club shall perform the duties customarily incident to the position held and such other duties as may be prescribed by the club or its board of directors.

Section 2. The Treasurer shall have the authority to disburse club funds authorized by the board of directors for regular and authorized obligations. All funds and accounts shall be audited regularly and a report of the audit made to the Annual Meeting. The board of directors may require and audit and report at any time.

Section 3. The President shall have the authority to approve the issuing of payments not to exceed \$250

Section 4. The Board of Directors will carry insurance coverage to cover the loss of funds and assets in the event of a loss caused by Club Officer's or Board Members.

Article VI (Membership)

Section 1. Any citizen of the United States may become a member of the BARREN RIVER ROD AND GUN CLUB upon payment of its required dues and approval of current board of directors.

Section 2. The Board of Directors will investigate and is empowered to suspend or permanently expel any member for conduct which in its judgment may endanger the welfare, interests and reputation of the club, provided that such member may have a hearing before the Board.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall be empowered to approve all applications for membership into the Club.

Section 4. (Dues) The annual dues will be one hundred five dollars (\$105.00) a year and may be changed at the discretion of the Board of Directors before the beginning of any year.

Section 5. (Added to Article VI Nov. 1974 Amended July 2019) The Barren River Rod and Gun Club will have an annual membership of not more than 439. Any new member or past member who has dropped out and wish to rejoin must be endorsed by a club member in good standing and must attend New Member Club and Range Orientation before admission to the club. An initiation fee of \$25.00 be applied to all new members and past members who have dropped out and wish to rejoin. The initiation fee will be in addition to Article VI Section 4. (Dues). The initiation fee will not apply to current members who are on the membership list at the date of this amendment, nor will it apply to anyone who wishes to join after date of amendment if their parent is or deceased parent were a member in good standing, and same will carry first priority on waiting list. After the 439 member count, those persons desiring membership in the club will apply with the board of directors and may be added to the membership on a first applies for basis, when an existing member drops his or her membership.

Article VII (Meetings)

Section 1. Annual Meeting of club members shall be held each August, time and place to be set by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall meet once a month at a time and place fixed by the Board, or may meet on the call of the President or any five members of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. (Amended June 2015) A quorum of at least six (6) members of the Board is required to transact official business of the club.

Section 4. All meetings of the club and its directors shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order.

Section 5. A total of 25 club members shall constitute a quorum at general membership meetings. A quorum must be present for business to be transacted.

Article VIII (Definitions)

Section 1. Member – Any person who is a citizen of the United States and is in good standing with the club shall have full voting privileges.

Section 2. (Amended March 1974) Associate Member – May be the spouse of the member, or his or her children who have not reached the age of 18. Associate members 16 years of age and over shall have full membership and voting privileges.

Article IX (Appointment to Committees)

Section 1. The President shall be empowered to appoint any and all committees, on which he and the Vice-President shall serve ex officio.

Article X (Amendments)

Every proposition to alter or amend these bylaws shall be submitted in writing at one of the general membership meetings and shall be voted upon at a following general membership meeting, when upon receiving the vote of two-thirds of the voting members present, (by a show of hands), it shall become a part of these bylaws.