

**PENSACOLA FLORIDA UNIT 029  
WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

**CONSTITUTION**

Approved April 2009

**ARTICLE I  
NAME OF ORGANIZATION**

This organization is a chartered Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. (WBCCI) and shall be known as the Pensacola Florida Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

**ARTICLE II  
OBJECTIVES**

The objective of this not-for-profit organization shall be:

- To furnish encouragement and assistance in the development of the Unit and thus afford fraternization for recreational vehicle owners.
- To encourage safe driving and assist in improving the general welfare of the recreational vehicle public through assistance and active participation of all its members in building a strong organization for the betterment of good will toward recreational vehicle travel.
- To coordinate with and participate in the interests and activities of the International and the Region.
- To cooperate with other organizations and units within our sphere which are seeking to elevate the standards and ethics of the various groups.
- To disseminate information of an advisory and educational nature that will be of value to its members and the public.
- To study, advise and recommend legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the recreational vehicle public.
- To encourage government and private agencies to provide more and better recreational vehicle parks and facilities.

## **ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Section 1**

**Adult ownership of a hard sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. shall be eligible for membership. (1/19/07)**

### **Section 2**

**There are two classes of membership in this Unit - Regular Members and Affiliate Members. (1/19/07)**

### **Section 3**

**An applicant for membership in this Unit must submit an application in writing and, upon the payment of International and Unit dues, shall become a Regular Member of this Unit. (7/8/94)**

### **Section 4**

**Regular Members who have sold their recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. may, upon request retain their membership as Regular Members of this Unit pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 2, Article VI of the International Constitution. Such Regular Members of this Unit shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including full voting rights in all elections and on all questions. (7/5/96)**

### **Section 5**

**Regular members of another unit may become Affiliate members in this Unit by an application to the Membership Committee and upon acceptance shall possess all the rights and privileges of this Unit, except:**

- The right to hold office in this Unit.**
- The right to vote in the selection or election of officers in this Unit, Region, or International or on any amendment to this Unit or the International Constitution.**
- The right to vote on the dissolution of this Unit, consolidation of this Unit with one or more units or the merger of the Unit with another Unit. (1/19/07)**

### **Section 6**

**Applicants for Affiliate membership in this Unit must submit dues and show evidence of membership in the International Club through another duly chartered Unit. (6/23/01)**

### **Section 7**

**Failure to pay either Unit or International dues will automatically terminate membership in this unit.**

## Section 8

In those cases of co-ownership of hard sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. the rights and privileges of membership shall be deemed to include the spouses of such co-owners but collectively such owners shall possess one vote only **except** such co-owners who each pay International and Unit dues to this Unit shall each have one vote. A co-owner is defined as **one of two** memberships on June 25, 2005, are not subject to this two membership limitation, as long as they maintain continuous membership in WBCCI. (1/19/07)

## Article IV Officers, Directors and their Election

### Section 1

The Officers of this Unit shall consist of:

- President
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President
- Corresponding Secretary
- Recording Secretary
- Treasurer
- Six Trustees (6/23/01)

### Section 2

The Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting in September and shall be installed and shall assume office at that time. An officer shall serve in an office for a term of one year or until a successor is elected but in no case shall an officer be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office except the Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, or Treasurer provided said officers are duly nominated and elected for each term of office. (1/19/07)

### Section 3

The Trustees shall be elected at the annual business meeting, each for a term of two years commencing upon installation, but arranged so that only one-half such Trustees terms expire in any one year. No Trustee shall serve more than one, two-year term consecutively. (1/19/07)

### Section 4

An Officer who advances to an office pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 5 of this Article shall not be deemed to have served a full term in such office unless said service is for a period of greater than one-half (1/2) the term of such office. (1/19/07)

**Section 5**

In the event of the death or resignation of the President or the death, advancement or resignation of a Vice President, or an officer's inability to fulfill the duties of office, the next ranking Vice President, (in order first, then second) shall advance thereto. All other vacancies on the Executive Board, except that of the Immediate Past President, shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board. (1/24/94)

**ARTICLE V  
EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**Section 1**

The Executive Board shall consist of all the unit officers plus the Immediate Past President of the unit.

**Section 2**

The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of this Unit and shall define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to this Unit, and shall exercise general control and supervision of all officers, directors and committees.

**Section 3**

The President or any two members of the Board may call a business meeting of the Executive Board at any time deemed necessary. (1/19/07)

**Section 4**

A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of a majority of its members.

**ARTICLE VI  
BUSINESS MEETINGS**

**Section 1**

The annual business meeting of this Unit shall be held during the month of September in each calendar year. Additional business meetings may be held during any rally of the unit, and also may be called at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The date, time and purpose of all Unit business meetings shall be announced by written notice to the members no less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at any business meeting shall be not less than 10% of the regular membership. (1/19/07)

**Section 2**

All Regular Members voting at the annual or additional business meetings of this organization, and each such membership, identified by the International Club Membership number, shall be considered one vote, except for co-owners who each pay International and Unit dues to this unit as provided for in Article III, Section 8. (7/5/96)

**Section 3**

A mail ballot may be used to obtain the vote of the members of this Unit on a proposal when such is deemed desirable or necessary. When a mail ballot is used to obtain a vote of the members of his Unit on a proposal, no other method of voting on such proposal shall be utilized. (1/21/94)

**ARTICLE VII  
BYLAWS**

Bylaws consistent with this Constitution, and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of this Unit may be adopted by the Executive Board, are extant and may be further modified or adopted by the Executive Board.

**ARTICLE VIII  
AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1**

Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for their consideration.

**Section 2**

Any Article or Section of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting at a business meeting of this Unit or a special meeting called for that purpose, providing in either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been mailed first-class to each member of this Unit at least ten (10) days prior to each meeting.

**Section 3**

All amendments to this Constitution shall become effective upon adoption.

This Constitution adopted and becomes Effective Apr, 2008 at Mystic Springs Cove Park, McDavid, FL.

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Sidra S. Spies, President 2007/2008

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Robin Brewton, Parliamentarian/ Legislative 2007/2008

# **PENSACOLA FLORIDA UNIT 29 WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

## **BYLAWS and POLICIES**

**April 2008**

### **ARTICLE I ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Section 1 Parliamentary procedures for all meetings of this Unit and Executive Board shall be governed by the current edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED except when they are in conflict with the Constitution or Bylaws of this Unit. (1/19/07)**

**Section 2 The order of business shall be:**

**A. Opening Ceremonies**

**Invocation (Nonsectarian)**

**Pledge of Allegiance (The United States Pledge of Allegiance may be omitted at all WBCCI rallies, events, and functions held outside the United States). (1/17/03)**

**B. Roll call of Executive Board and determination of quorum**

**C. Approval or minutes**

**D. Approval of Officers and Committees**

**E. Special Orders**

**F. Unfinished business**

**G. New business**

**H. Announcements**

**I. Adjournment**

### **ARTICLE II COMMITTEES**

**Section 1 Standing Committees may be established as follows:**

**A. Budget**

**B. Caravan**

**C. Constitution and Bylaws**

**D. Ethics and Grievances**

**E. Family/Youth**

- F. Historical
- G. Hospitality
- H. Legislative

The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nomination Committee. (1/21/94)

Section 2 All Standing Committees shall consist of a chairperson and as many members as deemed necessary by the President. Chairpersons of Standing Committees shall report at each meeting of the Executive Board. (1/21/94)

## STANDING COMMITTEES GENERAL DUTIES

1. **BUDGET**: In cooperation with the incoming and outgoing Treasurer of the Unit, prepare for the Executive Board a budget projecting the unit's income and expenditures for the next year. (1/19/07)
2. **CARAVAN**: To plan, organize, and obtain leaders for unit caravans that are operated or conducted for the Unit within the scope of the WBCCI Caravan Handbook. To develop an aggressive Unit Caravan program and to coordinate Unit caravan matters with appropriate Region and International Caravan Committee personnel. (1/21/94)
3. **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS**: To conduct a continuing review and study of the Unit and the International Constitution and Bylaws and to make recommendations For any amendments or additions deemed desirable and in the best interest of the Club. (1/21/94)
4. **ETHICS and GRIEVANCE**: To investigate and assess all grievances or complaints made by members and others and to make recommendations thereon to the Unit Executive Board.
5. **FAMILY and YOUTH**: Plan programs to encourage participation of family/youth at unit functions and to be the liaison person between the Unit and International Family/Youth Standing Committee. (1/21/94)
6. **HISTORICAL**: To record events including written and pictorial material associated with unit activities and to maintain an historical record of such. (1/21/94)
7. **HOSPITALITY**: To receive and make welcome guests and new members at club functions. Recommend ways to meet all club members and guests at rallies and/or seasonal functions. (1/21/94)

8. **LEGISLATIVE:** To study, advise and recommend legislation in the interest of the Club and its members; to recommend opposition to all legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the interest of the Club and its members. (1/21/94)
  
9. **MEMBERSHIP:** Be the Unit/Club contact for prospective new members and explain the purpose and objectives of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International. Extend invitations to prospective members to attend a rally or meeting when making application for membership. Coordinate with the Treasurer to ensure having an accurate list of paid-up members, and to assist the Treasurer, as needed, in following up on all members who have not paid dues by October 15<sup>th</sup>.
  
10. **PUBLICITY:** To collect newsworthy items of interest to club members and to publish monthly a newsletter containing past and future events of the unit, Region and International. To publish yearly a roster in the form and content as directed by the Executive Board. Forward material to Headquarters for publishing in the Blue Beret and Directory with respect to the Unit's activities schedule. (1/21/94)
  
11. **PUBLIC RELATIONS:** To maintain communications with the International and Region Public Relations Committees for maintaining a continuing program of public relations between WBCCI and communities being exposed to rallies and caravans. (1/21/04)

Section 3 Special Committees may be appointed by the President as required.

### **ARTICLE III GUESTS**

**Sect 1** A guest (or guests) sponsored and invited by a member in good standing and using the member's trailer or motorhome or staying in a non-RV facility as a cabin, motel room, etc. may attend activities of this Unit. Members sponsoring such a guest shall pay one extra rally fee, exclusive of the parking fee. (1/19/07)

**Sect 2** A member in good standing in this Unit may sponsor and invite a non-member Airstream recreational vehicle owner, as a prospective members attend rallies and other activities of this Unit. (7/5/01)

**Sect 3** Members in good standing in the International Club may attend activities of this Unit provided that such members, and where required, shall have made prior reservation for each attendance. (1/19/96)



**Sect 4 A Unit, once each calendar year, may host a rally, caravan or combination thereof with a recreational vehicle club not chartered by the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and it may conduct, twice each calendar year, (but not more than 50% of the rallies and caravans conducted by that unit in any calendar year) a Buddy Rally, caravan or combination thereof to which each member of this Unit may invite not more than one (1) non-member recreational vehicle family. (7/5/02**

**The non-member RV family to be invited is intended to be one which is a prospective Member and one which does not own an Airstream. The family is invited to the Buddy rally or caravan to introduce them to the WBCCI "Way of Life" and the unit Members in the hope they might decide to purchase an Airstream and join the club. A buddy rally is not intended to be used by current or past WBCCI members to attend a WBCCI rally in their non-Airstream vehicles. (7/5/02)**

## **ARTICLE IV NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

### **Section 1**

**The Executive Board shall, not less than ninety (90) days prior to this Unit's annual business meeting , appoint a three (3) member Nominating Committee, who shall, after having obtained the prior consent of each proposed nominee, place in nomination one candidate for each office and director to be filled by election, and submit a written report to the Executive Board which shall include the names of all candidates considered, and the President shall distribute the report to the membership not less than fifteen (15) days prior to said business meeting. Additional candidates who have previously consented to accept the office if elected, may be placed in nomination from the floor of said meeting. No seconds are required for any nomination. (1/21/94)**

### **Section 2**

**If, at any time other than the normal election of officers and directors by the membership at the annual meeting, a vacancy should occur in the Executive Board, the following action will be taken:**

- a) In the event of the death or resignation of the President or the death, advancement or resignation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, the next ranking Vice President (in order first, then second) shall advance to fill the vacancy.**
- b) Should a vacancy occur in the office of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, or any Director, the Executive Board shall by majority vote elect a replacement to serve in a temporary capacity until the next annual meeting when the membership will elect officers and directors selected by a duly empowered nominating committee.**

## **ARTICLE V**

## **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

### **Section 1**

**The President shall:**

- **Preside at all meetings of this Unit and the Executive Board.**
- **Enforce the Constitution and Bylaws.**
- **Appoint all standing committees and the Parliamentarian. (1/19/07)**
- **Have such powers and duties as normally pertain to the principal executive officer.**

### **Section 2**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President shall:**

- **Attend all business meetings of this Unit and the Executive Board.**
- **Shall assist the President.**
- **Assume the duties of the President in the President's absence. (1/21/94)**

### **Section 3**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President shall:**

- **Attend all business meetings of this Unit and the Executive Board.**
- **Shall assist the President and the First Vice President.**
- **Assume the duties of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President in the absence of said officer.**
- **Shall assume the duties of the President in the case of the absence of the President and the First Vice President.**
- **Perform such duties as assigned by the Executive Board.**

### **Section 4**

**The corresponding Secretary shall:**

- **Issue notices of all meetings of this Unit and the Executive Board as prescribed in Article VI, Sections 1 and 2 and Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution and Article XI, Sec I or the Bylaws. (1/19/07)**
- **Prepare an agenda of pending business for use by the presiding officer at each meeting.**
- **Coordinate with the Treasurer to maintain an accurate roster of paid-up members of the unit. (1/19/07)**

### **Section 5**

**The Recording Secretary shall:**

- **Record and preserve the minutes of all official meetings of this Unit and the Executive Board, and mail copies to the members of the Executive Board not more than fifteen (15) days following each meeting. (1/19/07)**
- **Post copies of the minutes on the official Unit bulletin board.**

- Record the attendance of the officers and directors at each meeting and advise the presiding officer if a quorum is present.

## Section 6

The Treasurer shall:

- Maintain the financial records of this Unit and receive all monies, as prescribed in International Bylaws, Article IV, Sections 11A, and promptly deposit them in the bank previously chosen by the Executive Board.
- Shall notify members of expiration of dues, Maintain an up-to-date roster of paid-up members. Changes to this roster will be shared with the Corresponding Secretary, the Newsletter Editor, and the Membership Chairman. In addition, the Membership Chairman shall be notified of all members who have not paid their dues by October 15<sup>th</sup> in order that the membership chairman might assist the Treasurer in contacting those members to collect their dues prior to November 1<sup>st</sup>. (1/19/07)
- Submit a full written report of finances to the Executive Board at each meeting. Each year the books and accounts will be audited by a committee of not less than three (3) members selected by the incoming President. The Treasurer shall deliver all books, monies and property of this Unit pertaining to the office of treasurer promptly to the newly elected Treasurer. (6/23/01)

## Section 7

The duties of the Directors shall:

- To attend all meetings of this Unit and the Executive Board.
- To accept special assignments as directed by the President. Additional duties may be to chair or be members of committees. (1/19/07)

## ARTICLE VI DELEGATES

The Executive Board shall appoint one delegate and one alternate from among the officers, directors and members, who will attend the annual Delegates meeting of the parent organization, the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. Any vacancy occurring following such selection shall be filled by appointment by the President. The delegate should be instructed with respect to the wishes of this Unit on matters to come before the meeting. The President and Secretary shall certify to these appointments.

## ARTICLE VII DUES

Section 1 The annual Unit dues of Regular and Affiliate members shall be set by the Executive Board. (1/17/97)

**Section 2 A member who fails to pay properly assessed International and Unit dues before November 15<sup>th</sup> may not be listed in the Annual Membership Directory of the International Club for the following year. If the dues are not paid and received by the Treasurer on or before December 31 membership will be terminated. (7/5/96)**

## **ARTICLE VIII CODE OF ETHICS**

**All members shall abide by the following Code of Ethics:**

- A. To be ever mindful of our responsibility to the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. and through conduct, indicate to the public that membership in this organization is an assurance of our courtesy on the road and goodwill to all peoples and countries.**
- B. To be ever mindful of what we say or print with respect to its effect on others so as to avoid disharmony and ill feelings among club members and to dedicate ourselves to the work of cementing together the members of WBCCI in bonds of good fellowship and mutual understanding. (1/19/07)**
- C. To conduct ourselves so as to inspire others also engaged in recreation vehicle travel to a full appreciation of the intent and meaning of this code.**
- D. To maintain our camps and parking areas in an orderly manner and to leave them in a neat and clean condition.**

## **ARTICLE IX LIABILITY**

**Neither this Unit nor its officers are responsible for the loss of or damage to property, or for injury to or death of a person on the premises of any club function. This freedom from responsibility for loss or damage to property applies regardless of whether that property has been received by any member or officer or left upon the premises.**

## **Article X Policy**

**Policy consistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Unit and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of the Unit may be adopted by the Executive Board or the Unit Members.  
(1/19/07)**

## **ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS**

### **Section 1**

**These Bylaws may be amended at any business meeting of the Executive Board by two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted to all members of the Executive Board in writing ten (10) days prior to such meeting.**

### **Section 2**

**Such amendments shall become effective upon adoption.**

## **ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION**

**In the event of dissolution of this unit, the members shall, through the President, assign all assets to the International Club, or in the case of an incorporated unit, to such director appointed in accordance with the laws governing non-profit corporations in the State or Province of their corporation, to be held in trust until such time as the charter is restored, the unit reorganized or a new charter is issued, when such assets shall be returned or transferred to the newly functioning unit. These procedures are in accordance with Section 501 (C) 7 of the Internal Revenue Service Code. Whether the Unit merges with another Unit, or consolidates with other Units, or the Unit dissolves, none of the funds or property of this Unit shall inure to the benefit of any members. (1/19/07) Upon dissolution, the Unit Charter and all International Club Property shall be returned to International Club Headquarters.**

These Bylaws, as last amended, were adopted on April 2009  
(1/19/07) (Date)

at McDavid, Florida  
(City, State, or Province)

Sidra S. Spies,  
President 2008

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