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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE SAN DIEGO SPORTING DOG CLUB, INC.

ARTICLE I

Section 1

The name of the Club shall be San Diego Sporting Dog Club, Inc., and the club shall be guided by this Constitution and By-Laws. and the rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club.

Section 2

The Board of Directors is charged with registering the San Diego Sporting Dog Club, Inc. with the proper authorities and resisting the unauthorized use of the Name.

ARTICLE II

Section 1 The object and purpose of the Club shall be:

To conduct dog shows, field trials, obedience trials, and sanctioned matches under the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club.

To actively promote the advancement and performance of all sporting dogs by field training classes and related activities.

Section 2 Incorporation

The Club shall incorporate as a nonprofit organization and maintain its incorporation in the state in which it is to operate.

The Club shall not be conducted or created for profit and no part of any profits or remainder of residue from dues or donations to the Club shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual.

ARTICLE III

Section 1

Membership in this Club shall be Single, or Husband and Wife and all children under eighteen (18) years of age. Members shall be eighteen years of age or older who subscribe to the purposes of this Club.

Section 2

Members shall subscribe to the purposes of this Club and be governed by its Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 3 Termination of Memberships

Membership in this Club may be terminated as follows:

By resignation tendered in writing to the Secretary.

By indebtedness to the Club because of failure to pay dues.

Any member expelled more than three times shall not be eligible for reinstatement.

A former member wishing to be reinstated must present his name as a former member, which must be regularly presented and handled in the same manner as a new candidate.

Any behavior deemed by the Board of Directors to be detrimental to the Club. The Board of Directors, after considering the proper evidence, shall have authority to suspend or expel any member by a two-thirds majority for a period of not less than six months and not to exceed five years.

Section 4 Election to Membership

Each applicant for membership shall apply on a form approved by The Board of Directors and which shall provide that the applicant agrees to abide by this Constitution and By-Laws and the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club. The application must state the names and address of the applicant and be endorsed by an active member in good standing. Initiation fee and current year's dues must accompany application.

All applications are to be filed with the Membership Chairman and each application shall be considered by the Board of Directors. Applications approved by the Board of Directors will be published in the following newsletter. In the absence of any objections by the membership, the application will become fully effective at the next General meeting. Any objection to an application will be reviewed by the Board of Directors. Applicants for membership who have been rejected by the Club may not reapply within six months after rejection.

Section 5 Initiation and Dues

Initiation fee shall be \$20.00. Annual dues shall be set by the Board. Annual dues are due and payable on or before the First of January each year and not later than the fifteenth day of March each year. Failure to pay dues by March 15th shall terminate membership.

Dues of any applicant voted to membership after July First shall be one-half of- the regular dues for the remainder of the calendar year.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1 Regular Meetings

Meetings of the Club shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month at the hour and place that shall be designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 2 Special Meetings

Special meetings may be called by the President at the request of a majority of the Board of Directors or by petition of the membership and shall be held at the time and place requested.

Section 3 Voting

Each active member shall be entitled to vote on each motion or proposal at regular or special called meetings of the Club.

Section 4 Notice of Meetings

The members shall be notified no less than five (5) days in advance of regular or special called meetings by phone calls, a written mailed notice or by notice in a Club publication.

ARTICLE V

Section 1 Board of Directors:

- a. The Board of Directors shall consist of the Club officers and four (4) additional members known as Directors, one of which is the retiring President.
- b. The management of affairs, business, and property of the Club shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

At the first regular meeting of the Club where this Constitution and By-Laws is adopted, an initial Board of Directors shall be elected. Duties of those Directors shall commence immediately.

Section 2 Election

The election of Officers and Directors shall be by active members, the conduct of said election being the responsibility of the Nominating Committee. If an Officer or Board Member resigns before their term expires, that position shall be replaced at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Section 3 Eligibility's

The Directors shall hold such meetings as they see fit, but in no event shall they be less than once in three calendar months, such meetings being open to active members. Special meetings may be called by the President or by the Secretary at a written request of three (3) members of the Board. Directors shall be notified in advance.

Section 4 Quorum

Four (4) of the officers actively serving the Board shall constitute a quorum at any Board Meeting.

ARTICLE VI

Section 11 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and/or Treasurer and four (4) Directors.

Section 2 Term of Office

Shall be for one year and no more than three consecutive years.

Section 3 Eligibility

Any active member in good standing of the Club is eligible to serve as on the Board of Directors.

Section 4 The President

Shall be present at all meetings of the members and meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall name the standing committees and be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 5 First Vice-President

Shall perform all the duties of the President in case of absence or disability of the latter. In the event both President and First Vice-President are absent or unable to perform their duties; the Second Vice-President shall assume these duties.

Section 6 The Secretary

Shall keep the records and minutes of the meetings for both the Club and the Board of Directors, answer all general correspondence and issue all notices relating to the Club.

Section 7 The Treasurer

Shall receive and have custody of all funds and securities of the Club; shall pay all bills under regulations prescribed by the Board of Directors; shall keep full and accurate accounts; shall present a quarterly statement to the Board of Directors and at regular meetings report on financial standing of the Club. An annual report covering receipts and expenditures for the preceding fiscal year shall be presented to the Club and Board of Directors. Checks written in behalf of the Club shall be signed by any of the Executive Board.

Section 8 Delegation of Duties

The President may delegate specific duties to the two Vice-Presidents and to members of the Board of Directors. A Director will be expected to serve on at least one of the standing committee.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1 Election Committee

There shall be a Nominating Committee Chairman appointed by the Board of Directors, who in turn will select three (3) persons from the members at large to assist him. This committee shall be selected at the August meeting and consist of four members. They shall serve a term of one year.

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of Officers and Directors at the October meeting. The election of Officers shall take place at the November meeting and Officers and Directors elected will be installed at the January meeting. Additional candidates may be submitted by any five members at large, from the floor the night of election, provided said candidates have expressed their willingness to serve.

Section 2 Appointed Standing Committees

At the first regular meeting of the year, the President shall appoint such standing committees as are deemed necessary for the functioning of the Club. The Standing Committee Chairman shall make an annual report in writing to the Board of Directors.

Section 3 Committees

May be appointed by the President as they are needed and shall serve until they complete the project for which they were appointed, and render a final report in writing to the Board of Directors.

Section 4 All Committees

Shall consist of at least three (3) members. They are responsible to the Board and make recommendations to the Board for action

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1 Resignations

Any member of the Board of Directors or any member of any committee who fails to attend two consecutive meetings, unless he has been previously excused by the Chairman, shall be considered to have resigned from the Board or committee, and shall cease to be a member thereof.

ARTICLE IX

Section 1 Amendments

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a majority of the members present and voting at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose; the proposed amendments must be embodied in the call for such meeting and mailed to each member ten days prior to the date of such meeting.

ARTICLE X

Section 1 The Fiscal Year of the Club

Shall be the calendar year - January 1st through December 31st.

Section 2 Dissolution

The Club may be dissolved at any time by written consent of not less than two-thirds of the members. In the event of dissolution of the Club, whether voluntary or involuntary, or by operation of law, none of the property of the Club nor any proceeds thereof, nor any assets of the Club shall be distributed to any member of the Club, but after payment of all debts of the Club, its property and assets shall be given to a Charitable organization for the benefit of dogs, elected by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XI

Section 1

The parliamentary authority of the Club and the Board shall be Robert's Rules of Order Revised in all cases to which they apply and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

Dated: September 13, 2006