

IRON TRINITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB

BYLAWS

PURPOSE

The purpose of the establishment of the Iron Trinity MC, hereinafter referred to as the "Club," or "ITMC" is to promote and advance the sport of motorcycling. To ensure, by example, safety in motorcycling and to provide fraternal spirit between the club and the community by the development and organization of Club sponsored rides, and events. The Club is non territorial and 100% neutral and does not support any other motorcycle organization.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES CHAIRPERSONS

Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," shall serve a term of 2 years beginning January 1 and ending December 31. Board members will serve a term of 2 years. President and Sgt. At Arms will serve beginning on the even years. Vice President and Treasurer will serve beginning on the odd years. Chairpersons will hold their position reflective of their desire to hold the office and be replaced or augmented as requested by the Chairperson(s). Board and Chairpersons positions are subject to Club approval annually by way of nominations from the floor or proxy.

Nominations will be held during the regular club meeting in November. Elections will be held at the regular club meeting in December by way of a written ballot. All members will have an opportunity to vote. If unable to attend the regular meeting, a Member may submit nominations, or vote, via e-mail or through regular mail. Voting will close during the last regular meeting in December. The results will be made available to all members.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business and affairs of the Club shall be managed by the board.

Vacancies

The Board, by majority vote, will select a replacement officer from the current membership. The replacement shall hold the office for the remaining portion of the current term.

Removal of Board from office

By majority vote of the membership, any, or all, members of the board can be removed from their perspective office. A new board will be selected per the requirements presented under "NONIMATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITIES CHAIRPERSONS" with exception of the new vote being taken within 30 days of the ratification of the removal vote. The newly elected board will be effective through the next annual elections.

Board shall consist of the following elected officers:

President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Sergeant at Arms

President

Subject to the authority of the Board, shall be the Executive Head of the Club. Shall have the authority to call quorums or special meetings of the Club membership. Shall also be responsible to schedule and manage all Club meetings and functions. Shall counter-sign any and all withdrawals of Club funds

Vice-President

Subject to the authority of the Board, shall, at the request of the President, perform the duties and exercise the same authority as the President in his/her absence.

Treasurer

Subject to the authority of the Board, shall manage all Club funds and property. Shall maintain current and accurate records of all receipts and disbursements. Shall make all bank deposits and pay Club debts in a timely manner. All transactions are to be pre-approved by the Board or the President. Shall make a full report of the Club's financial status at each monthly meeting. In the event the Treasurer is unable to attend the scheduled meeting, a financial statement must be provided to the Board for submission at the scheduled meeting.

Sergeant at Arms

Subject to the authority of the Board, enforces all actions mandated by the Board. Shall have the authority to recruit and appoint Road Captains to insure safety and order in all Club functions and group rides. Shall call regular meetings to order and ensure the Club by-laws are enforced.

COMMITTEES

The business of each committee is to be managed by the elected committee chair. Any committee motion must be presented to the Board and ratified by a majority vote of those Board officers present.

Vacancies

The Club, by majority vote, will select a replacement from the current membership. The replacement shall hold the office for the remaining portion of the current term.

Removal from Committee

By majority vote of the membership, any, or all, members of the Committee can be removed from their perspective position.

The Board reserves the right to create other Committee positions not listed in these by-laws.

The Committees Chairperson may schedule meetings to review Committee business. All meeting notes must be presented at the next regular meeting.

The Committees consist of the following:

- a. **Events Committee**
Scheduling and posting all club rides and after ride events. Posting all non-club events that are deemed acceptable by the majority vote of the membership. Updating and maintaining the ITMC web site.
- b. **Fund Raising Committee**
Responsible for organizing and managing all fund raising activities for the sole use of the club. Responsible for managing all aspects of charitable fund raisers directly or indirectly associated with the club.
- c. **Membership Committee**
Maintaining a master list of each member's vital information, membership forms, and dues paid. This Committee must work in conjunction with the Treasurer and web site manager to be sure all information is updated periodically.
- d. **Bike Night Committee**
Responsible for managing all aspects of any scheduled bike nights.

MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATES

Candidates to be considered for Full membership status shall be a man who owns a street legal motorcycle, equal to, or larger than, 750 cc's and be a "V-Twin" configuration, (Which can be excepted on a case by case basis, excluding "sport bikes".) a valid motorcycle operator's license and appropriate insurance.

Prospective Member (Prospect) Candidates

1. Prospect must be sponsored by a current Regular or Charter member in good standing.
2. A Prospect must be present and introduced by a current Charter or Regular member in good standing at a regular monthly meeting.
3. The Prospect must attend two club functions before being considered for final approval.
4. If the Prospect is approved by the Board of Directors, the Club membership shall vote on the candidate after at least three, but no more than six, months as a Prospect. Approval must be 75% majority vote of the voting members present.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Once approved as a member of the Club, the following status will be set for the member. To maintain all voting rights, privileges, and membership of a Club member, Charter and Regular members must:

1. Be a man who owns a street legal motorcycle equal to or larger than 750 cc's (V-Twin configuration, with possible case by case exceptions excluding "sport bikes".).
2. The motorcycle must be registered and able to be ridden.
 - a. (In the event that a member's motorcycle is stolen or not running that member has 6 months to purchase a new one or to make repairs.)
3. Maintain a current motorcycle operator's license and proper motorcycle insurance.

If any full member ever becomes disabled in such a way that the member can no longer ride that member will automatically become a lifetime member for as long as he wishes.

Charter Members:

Charter members are defined as those members that joined the Club on or before February 27, 2009.

Full Members:

Full members are defined as those members that joined the Club after February 27, 2009.

Associate Members

Associate members must be sponsored by a full member and once accepted as an associate member can stay on even if the full member leaves the club. Associate members do have voting rights but can not become officers in The Club. They can also be committee members but cannot head committee's

All elected Club members must, pay monthly dues, and maintain a good membership standing per the requirements set forth in these by-laws. Associate members will pay exactly one half of full membership dues.

VIOLATIONS OF ORDER, DIGNITY, AND CONDUCT

All members of the Club will be of good character and are expected to conduct themselves in a fashion as to not bring discredit to the Club or its members. All members are expected to promote safety and respect for others while operating motorcycles or on all club business and functions. If a member has a concern with any other member you should feel free to discuss the issue in a respectful manner. Resolution of concerns can occur simply through mutual understanding, respect and agreement. Any issue of a serious nature should be brought to the attention of one of the Board members.

DISMISSAL FROM THE CLUB

Any member of the Club that brings discredit to the Club or its members may be dismissed per the following guidelines: The suggestion that someone be dismissed should be submitted in writing to the Board for review. The Board will then substantiate or dismiss it for lack of integrity or merit. If needed, the Board may appoint an investigative committee to assist in substantiating the complaint. If the Board finds that the member in question has in fact brought discredit to the Club or its membership, the Board shall present its findings to the membership at the next monthly meeting. Voting for dismissal will be conducted by the regulations set forth in these by-laws under sub section "VOTING." If dismissed the member will be dropped from the roster, will not be reimbursed any paid dues and will turn in his club Colors. The member in question shall not be present for this decision.

MONTHLY DUES

For active full members, monthly dues are set at \$20.00, Associates pay \$10, and are payable to the treasurer on the first of every month. Member dues will be considered past due by the 15th of the month. If dues are not paid by that date, the membership will be frozen and all rights and privileges suspended. Only those members, who have paid their dues by the 15th, shall be eligible to vote on Club business and the annual elections. Members more than three months in arrears will be dropped from the roster. Dropped members must re-apply to the club per the requirements set forth in these by-laws and per the subsection "MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATES." Charter members dropped from the roster will lose Charter Status and can be reinstated but only as Full members. Membership dues are used to support Board approved club activities.

MEETINGS

Regular Club Meetings (Church) will be held monthly. It is the intention to have the meeting on the first Saturday of each month at a location agreed upon by the Board. However due to circumstances outside the control of the Board, it may be necessary to change the date, place, and time. It is the responsibility of the Board to notify members in a timely manner of these changes. At the end of each meeting the President will announce the day, time, and location of the next meeting. All members are encouraged to attend meetings assist in organizing and supporting all Club rides and events. Attendance will insure that you, the member, have a voice on the direction and position the Club takes on important issues.

MOTIONS

Motions can be presented during regular meetings or in writing to the board. Any motions submitted in writing will be placed on the next regular meeting agenda. Once discussion has concluded, the Board will vote on the motion per the laws set forth in these by-laws and / or per subsection "VOTING."

VOTING

Any motion or vote brought before the Board will be ratified by a majority vote of those officers present. The Board may choose to conduct open votes on issues related to club business. Decisions that are to be made by the membership, require that members be present. The vote will be ratified by 75% majority vote of the members present. Any motion having been submitted for consideration at a meeting shall be considered passed, and approved, if done so by a simple majority vote of the Board or members present. Any motion or voted issue approved, in due process, becomes effective immediately unless otherwise provided for in said motion.

CLUB COLORS

The Club patches, consisting of top and bottom rockers, a main center patch and the "MC" designation, heretofore referred to as "Colors", are an important insignia of membership in the Club. Only those who are Charter or Full members may wear the Club Colors.

1. The Colors are not to be modified in any way.
2. The Colors are to be placed on the back of a black leather vest with side lacings.
3. The Colors are to be located on the vest according to the layout design (see "Attachment A") for a vest.
4. Nothing is allowed on the back of the vest except for the Club Colors.
5. The front left (of the wearer) chest of the vest will have the members "road name" patch, directly beneath that will be any applicable officer patch.
6. The Colors are awarded to new members after completion of appropriate prospect period but remain the property of the Club.
7. Cost of all patches is the responsibility of the new member.
8. Any use of the Club Colors must be approved by the Board.
9. The wearing of the Colors is a privilege and they must be worn with the dignity they deserve.
10. Any member discrediting the Colors will be subject to dismissal under the provisions provided in these bylaws.
11. Any member who loses their colors, or allows them to be taken, will be immediately dismissed from the Club and will forfeit all rights, privileges and dues.
12. Anyone who leaves the club, voluntarily or involuntarily, will turn in their patches to the current president with no monetary remuneration.
13. Associate members will receive the center patch and a bottom bar that reads "ITMC."

MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THESE BY-LAWS

Any modification or amendments to the By-Laws having been submitted for consideration at a Club meeting, discussed, properly seconded, and passed by 75% of attending members shall be recorded by the Secretary. The By-Laws will be considered amended immediately and a revision shall be distributed as soon as practicable.

PROCLAMATION OF BY-LAWS

We, the Board of Directors of the Iron Trinity MC do hereby accept and authorize these written By-Laws, to be established. This the Governing Charter to which we stand united in the pursuit of the enjoyment and camaraderie of safe and organized motorcycling.

Authorized on this date _____
President _____
Vice President _____
Treasurer _____
Sergeant at Arms _____

