

## Savannah Chatham Off-Road Racing Enthusiasts Bylaws

## I. Organization

A. Savannah Chatham Off-road Racing Enthusiast (SCORE) Is a membership club organized to promote Radio controlled car racing.

B. Management of SCORE will be vested in a Board of Directors. The board will consist of Chairman, Treasurer, Race Director, Track Maintenance, and Public Relations

1. The term of office will be one year and will commence on the date of election.

2. Any member of the board who misses three consecutive meetings without acceptable excuses will be dropped from the board.

3. Any member of the board who is not fulfilling the requirements of their position may be removed by unanimous decision by the other board members.

4. The board of directors will meet monthly to conduct club business. The meetings will be at a time and place designated by the chairman. Special meetings may be held at any time they are considered necessary.

C. Board position duties are as follows:

1. The Chairman shall preside at all club meetings, act as a spokesman for the club, coordinate the duties of the other club board members. The Chairman shall conduct his actions for the club in a democratic fashion, strive hard to recognize, understand, and reflect the needs of all club members, and in general be responsible for the smooth day to day running of the club to the best of his ability. He shall also be responsible for the long-term planning necessary to ensure continuous availability of a racetrack for the club. If the president is unable to attend a club meeting for any reason, he shall appoint a Deputy (another board member) to act in his stead.

2. The Treasurer shall be responsible to the Chairman, keep an accurate detailed historical record of income and expenditures, provide a detailed profit and loss summary at the monthly board meeting, frequently analyze the clubs long term financial situation and make recommendations on how to best maintain its solvency, and keep an updated record of the club's membership. Additionally, he is the primary party designated to act as an authorized signer of checks issued by the club. In the event the Treasurer is unable to fulfill his duties for any reason (e.g., incapacitation, illness, out of town, etc.), the chairman may act in his stead with the same authority to sign checks. If the Treasurer is unable to attend a club meeting for any reason, he shall appoint a Deputy (usually the Chairman) to act in his stead.

3. The Race Director shall be responsible to the Chairman and shall ensure a robust race schedule is planned for the year including club races, SCORE series, and large event races. The race schedule will be posted as soon as it is feasible, and in the event of a cancelation due to weather, a notice will be posted on social media sites and a make-up date, if needed, will be announced. Additionally, the Race Director will be responsible for coordinating with the Track Maintenance Director prior to an event to ensure a raceable track, will secure an announcer for the event, enforce the club code of conduct as outlined herein these bylaws, and help with collection of entry fees.

4. The Track Maintenance Director shall be responsible to the Chairman, and shall ensure that all track equipment (e.g., spectator safety fences, staging area, bulletin board, driver's stand, pit lane, tractors, leaf blowers, etc.), and the track itself, are maintained in an acceptable condition to accommodate radio control racing. He shall report on the general track status at each meeting, noting any deficiencies which are found, and shall organize assistance from any and all other SCORE members as may be required in order to maintain the desired level of track maintenance for supporting active radio control racing. It is expected that all members will respond positively to any request by the Track maintenance director for any assistance with track maintenance work. If the Track Maintenance Director cannot attend a club meeting for any reason, he shall appoint a Deputy (usually the Race Director) to act in his stead.

5. The Public Relations Director shall be responsible to the Chairman and shall be responsible for maintaining the SCORE and Phil Hurd Raceway Websites and social media pages, promoting the club and its events, and sustaining and expanding the club membership through community outreach. Additionally, he will coordinate with the Treasurer to provide members access the private SCORE member social media page.

D. Decisions affecting the club will be made by a majority vote of the Board of Directors or members, as appropriate, at a scheduled meeting.

1. A quorum for the board of directors will be 5 directors/ or all active position holders.

2. A quorum for the members will be the members attending a meeting or scheduled race, with no specific number required.

3. It is our goal to engage our members by empowering them with the ability to vote when they cannot be physically present at a scheduled meeting. Each member is allowed to select another member who will be physically present at the meeting to vote in their place. All proxy votes will be declared prior to any vote being cast. A handwritten and signed vote by proxy is required for elections, suspensions, and expulsions.

4. Online voting will be used at board discretion.

## II. Membership

- A. Membership is open to the public.
  - 1. Dues are \$12.00 per month per person, \$15.00 per month for one person and a child under 18 years old, or \$20.00 per month for an entire family including all children under 18 years old.
  - 2. Anyone is welcome to become a member, no matter their race, age, gender, religious beliefs, and/or sexual preference.
- B. All racers are encouraged to join SCORE, but membership to race in any event is not required. Additional entry fees may apply to non-members. To earn points in any points series race, racer must be a member in good standing.
- C. Memberships are valid for the current month only. All memberships expire on the last day of the month.
- D. Disqualifications, suspensions, and expulsions will be by SCORE rules and the judgment of the Board of Directors.
- E. SCORE memberships must be current to earn points and to be eligible for the discounted race entry fees.
- F. New members and renewing members can race one SCORE series race free of charge annually and all club races free of charge.
- G. All members will have access to the closed group on Facebook once dues are paid, they will also have access to any members only pages on any social media or website that SCORE operates.

## III. Facilities

- A. The entry fee for each race will be determined by the Board of Directors.
- B. All money collected will be accounted for by the treasurer. These funds will be used to pay for track rental, equipment, track improvements, awards, and other purposes agreed upon by the Board of Directors.
  - 1. The Board may vote on expenses that total no more than \$500.00
  - 2. Expenses over \$500.00 will be brought to a vote at a club meeting or race.
  - 3. Any club member must have prior approval from the Board on any purchases/expenses totaling more than \$50.00.

## IV. Conduct of Races:

- A. Racing will be by SCORE rules. Exceptions must be approved by the Board of Directors and will be published separately.
- B. Events, inspections, and protest will be by SCORE rules.
- C. The club will race all classes provided there are a minimum of five cars entered in that class.

- D. If the minimum number of cars are not entered for a club race, classes may be combined.
- E. The Board may establish separate classes for a make of car or type of vehicle.
- F. The maximum number of cars in a single heat or race will be twelve, unless the race director deems more are necessary.
- G. All races will be under the control of the designated race director.
- H. The race director reserves the right to cut off entries for any event at a specified time or number of entrants.
- I. Races will consist of 2 or 3 heats and mains. The number of heats during a points series will be 3. Dropping or increasing heats during club races will be put to a vote by the paid participants.
- J. It is the racers responsibility to corner marshal the following race after theirs unless otherwise specified by the race director. If racer is competing in back to back races, he/she must find a replacement marshal.
  - 1. First failure to marshal will result in racer losing his/her fastest qualifier.
  - 2. Second failure to marshal will result in race day suspension.

#### V. Schedule:

- A. The club will race on Saturday or Sunday afternoons, or at other times as indicated by the separately posted racing schedule available on the clubs public social media page or website. Dates will be reserved for rain make-ups, special events, or left open as decided by the Board of Directors.
- B. There will be multiple racing series as determined by the Board of Directors.
- C. Classes that are included in a racing series will be determined by the Board of Directors, based upon the popularity of the class.
- D. A minimum of 5 entries on a regular basis will be required for a class to be considered for a series.

#### VI. Points Series:

- A. Points will be awarded for main events and only to SCORE members in good standings. Points will be counted for non-members, but the non-members position in the attended round of the series will stand.
- B. Points will be used to determine overall series standings with one race dropped. Awards will be based upon total accumulation of points in a class for the series.
- C. In the event of ties, best qualifying position will determine the tie breaker. If a tie remains, the tie breaker will be determined by best finishing positions.

- D. Qualifier style (rocket round or qual points) will be voted on at the beginning of each series.
- E. Novice class will be run what you bring.
- F. Points are awarded as follows.
  - 1. 5 points awarded for all races attended.
  - 2. 200 for first, 195 for second, 190 for third and so on with each next position being 5 less points. 5 bonus points awarded for TQ position.
  - 3. Lowest race is dropped.
  - 4. In the event of multiple mains, drivers will earn points on overall finishing position.
  - 5. The number of cars per main, bumps will be determined by the Board of Directors. The number of racers per main will be determined by the number of entries in each event. This will help split the number of drivers on the track at one time, allowing equal amounts of turn marshals.

## VII. Awards:

- A. Awards will be limited to ribbons, trophies, and plaques as determined by the Board.
- B. Donated awards may be accepted but must be approved by the Board.
- C. Awards will be based upon results of a single race or a points series.
- D. Awards will depend upon funds available and the discretion of the Board.

## VIII. Member Conduct

- A. Members will conduct themselves in a positive manner at all times.
- B. Lying, cheating, stealing, and/or physical or verbal abuse are grounds for immediate expulsion with forfeiture of all dues, interests and rights as a member.
- C. Disciplinary action will be handled by a majority ruling of the board except in the case of expulsion from the club which will require a 75% or greater majority of the board in favor of expulsion. Disciplinary action will be immediate.
- D. The disciplined member has a right to dispute the board's decision by giving a written notice to dispute the decision to the Club President prior to the next scheduled club meeting. The disciplined member's case will be heard at the next scheduled club meeting. The membership may overturn the board's decision with a 75% or greater vote of the members. Once a decision has been made by the members, it will be final. A member may not be tried again for the same offence.

## IX. General:

- A. Lake Mayer is a public, family-oriented facility. Use of the track is dependent upon following Chatham County Recreation Department rules. Specifically, prohibited are alcoholic beverages, drugs, harsh or abusive language and altercations. Violations of these rules is grounds for expulsion from the club and the facility.
1. A warning will be issued by the Board if any member uses abusive and/or foul language or starts an altercation. This warning will stay in effect for 3 months.
  2. If during that 3 months a second violation occurs, said member will be suspended from any and all functions (races, meetings, practices) at Phil Hurd Raceway for no less than 3 months.
- B. Members are encouraged to donate time, talent, equipment, and materials to improve the SCORE track and facilities.
- C. The Board of Directors will maximize efforts to publicize racing events and attract new members.
- D. These By-Laws may only be amended by a majority vote of the Club members at any regular or special meeting called by the Chairman. All meetings that will have a vote held will be advertised and promoted by the board for no less than one week prior to meeting being held.