

# **BYLAWS OF THE GREEN VALLEY CAMERA CLUB**

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## **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of the organization shall be Green Valley Camera Club.

## **ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

Section 1: To promote and develop skills in photography for its members

Section 2: To foster an appreciation and understanding of photography and digital imaging as Art and as a Medium of Communication.

Section 3: To provide equipment, assistance and training, and to maintain facilities for the common good of its members.

## **ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP**

Any person interested in photography and who is a member in good standing with Green Valley Recreation, Inc. (GVR) may become a member of the Camera Club.

## **ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

Section 1: The Board of Directors consists of 12 Club members, five (5) Officers and seven (7) Directors at large, all of whom are herein defined as Directors. Six (6) Directors shall be elected annually for a 2-year term by the members of the Club as provided in the Bylaws.

Section 2: At the April General Meeting of the Club, members of the Nominating Committee appointed by the Board of Directors shall present a slate of candidates to fill six (6) two-year term positions on the Board of Directors.

Section 3: After the slate of candidates has been presented, the President shall call for Nominations from the floor and then request a standing vote, hand vote or paper ballot to elect the Board of Directors. A majority affirmative vote of members present is required to elect these Board members.

Section 4: After the April Board of Directors meeting, the President shall convene the newly elected Board for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

Section 5: The Directors elected at the April General Meeting shall assume their duties at the next scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

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Section 6: The Board of Directors shall be responsible for all activities, standing and special committees and special events. The Board also has the responsibility, duty, and power to administer the affairs of the Club as a non-profit organization in compliance with its Bylaws and GVR's Guidelines, Procedures and Policies for use of their Facilities and Equipment and GVR's Charter Club Operations.

Section 7: The five Officers of the Club shall be President, Two Vice Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall be elected by and from the Board of Directors for a term of one year. Any person who serves as an officer during their first year as a Board Member shall remain on the Board for the balance of their term. The current President shall preside at the first meeting of the new Board for the sole purpose of conducting the election of officers.

Section 8: A general meeting quorum shall consist of Club members in good standing attending a General Membership Meeting. A Board of Directors quorum shall consist of 7 Directors attending a Board of Directors Meeting.

Section 9: All business meetings of the club shall be conducted in accordance with "Roberts Rules of Order".

## **ARTICLE V: VACANCIES**

Section 1: Either Vice President shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President during the absence or disability of the President.

Section 2: If any Office, other than that of the President, shall become vacant, the remainder of the term shall be filled by appointment by the President with Board approval. These appointments shall be made if possible from the currently elected Board members.

Section 3: The Board will be maintained at twelve members by appointments from the general membership by the President with Board approval.

## **ARTICLE VI: NEWSLETTER**

A comprehensive electronic newsletter is available to all members on the internet at URL: [www.gvcameraclub.org](http://www.gvcameraclub.org). The website includes:



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- a. A brief summary of actions taken and reports presented at the most recent meeting of the Board of Directors.
- b. A schedule of classes, workshops and future programs.
- c. A schedule of other Club activities, photographs and other matters considered appropriate by the Board and webmaster.

## **ARTICLE VII: DUES AND OTHER RECEIPTS**

Section 1: The Board of Directors shall assess annual dues at its April Board meeting.

Section 2: Annual dues are due before July 1st for that calendar year. New or renewing members paying on or after July 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered to have paid dues through the end of the next calendar year.

Section 3: Receipts from other activities sponsored by the Club will be at rates approved in advance by the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE VIII: FINANCIAL PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT**

Section 1: The fiscal year is the calendar year.

Section 2: Not later than the November meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board will adopt a budget of estimated income and expenses for the following calendar year. The details of this budget will be published at the discretion of the Board.

Section 3: All monies received from any source will be turned over to the Treasurer for deposit into one of the Club's bank accounts.

Section 4: All disbursement checks shall be issued by the Treasurer or in the Treasurers absence by the President or by any other person signatory to the account. Board approval must be obtained in advance for all expenditures not specified in the budget.

Section 5: The Treasurer shall support each transaction of income and expense by a hard-copy voucher and subsequent entry into an appropriate accounting structure such as a General Ledger with a collateral general journal.

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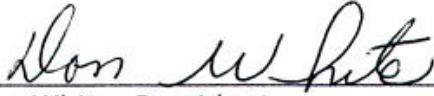
Section 6: The financial records of the Club shall be reviewed by a qualified independent person appointed by the Board at least once a year. The President shall arrange for and schedule the review. The Treasurer shall supply the Board with a current copy of the Club's financial standing at each Board meeting.

Section 7: The Treasurer shall account for all physical assets of the club. Any additions or deletions of Club assets are to be reported to the treasurer.

## ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Amendments to the Bylaws must be approved by a majority vote of the Club members in good standing attending a general or special meeting of the Club.

Section 2: Proposed amendments shall be submitted to Green Valley Recreation, Inc. for review prior to being voted upon for adoption. After adoption, amendments will be filed with GVR within 30 days.

  
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Don White, President  
Green Valley Camera Club

10/23/2008  
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Anndrea Blackshear, Executive Director  
Green Valley Recreation, Inc.

10/28/08  
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