

BY-LAWS  
Of  
LAKES CROSSING MUZZLE LOADERS  
A BLACK POWDER SHOOTING GROUP

Article 1 – Object

The object of this organization shall be to promote and encourage organized Black Powder Shooting, in the view towards Safe Gun Handling, and proper use of Firearms, as well as improved marksmanship, and to create a public sentiment for the encouragement of organized Black Powder Shooting as a Sport. Also as an Educational Facility to teach the Club Members, and others, about the History and Development of Black Powder, and the Guns to use it in, and its effect on Civilization in General, from its first use, down through the ages, to the present time.

Article 2 – Membership – Dues

Section 1 – Family membership shall include Parent, or Parents, or Guardian, and Children under 18. All others are required to secure Individual membership.

Section 2 – All members are required to purchase a “Life Membership” in the Club for \$5.00. Also required is an Annual Dues of \$25.00 per year, payable no later than January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. It can be pro-rated during the year for new members.

No member of the Club, in arrears, shall be eligible to vote or to enjoy any other of the privileges or benefits offered by this Club. An inactive member can regain active status by paying the current Dues.

Article 3 – Government and Officers

Section 1 – The Officers shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be elected each Year by the Membership, at the January meeting. Nominations will be opened for new officers at the December meeting and will remain open until being closed just before the elections at the January meeting.

The incumbent President will become an automatic nominee for Vice President for the upcoming elections.

To be eligible to hold an elected office, an individual shall have been an active member for 6 months.

Section 2 – The Board of Trustees shall consist of 3 to 4 members in good standing, elected by the membership each year, at the June meeting.

Section 3 – The President shall appoint the Committee Chairman for Specific Committees to serve for designated purposes and times. The Committee Chairman will select the members of their respective committees.

#### Article 4 – Duties of officers

Section 1 – The President shall preside at all meetings of the organization. He shall be a member, Ex-Officio, of all regular and special committees, and Himself perform all other Duties that usually pertain to his office. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President.

Section 2 – The Vice President shall have those duties that usually pertain to his office, and such other duties as the President shall appoint.

Section 3 – The Secretary shall conduct all Official Correspondence, pertaining to the proper preparation of, and forwarding of all reports required of the organization. The Secretary shall keep a true record of all meetings, and read the minutes, and have the custody of all pertinent Books, Papers, and Records of the Club. Applications for membership in the club shall be made to the Secretary.

Section 4 – The Treasurer shall be responsible for all Funds of the Club, and will place them in such Bank as may be approved by the Club. He shall disburse Funds as needed, or as directed by the President, or a majority vote of members present at any regular meeting. He shall furnish a detailed Financial Report of the current status of the Club's Financial Standing at every regular meeting. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all State and Federal Filings as required by law.

Section 5 – No member may transact any bills or obligate the Club in any way, without authorization of the Officers, or a two thirds majority of the membership present.

#### Article 5 – Meetings

Section 1 – There will be a regular meeting of the membership to be held at the time and place designated by the members.

Section 2 – A quorum shall consist of not less than Ten Percent of all members in good standing.

Section 3 – Any vacancy that may occur, in an Elected Office, shall be filled by appointment by the President, for the remainder of that term of office, with the concurrence of the Membership.

Section 4 – Any Officer, or Member, may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members in good standing, present at a Special meeting called for this purpose.

Section 5 – No vote on suspension or removal may be taken unless Fifteen days notice in writing shall have been give to the officer or Member, specifying the reason or reasons for this action.

## Article 6 – Amendments

Section 1 – Any Amendments to these By-Laws must be submitted in writing to the president, through the Secretary, to be voted on and passed by a majority of the members present at the meeting.

Section 2 – Proposed By-Law Amendments can only be passed by the membership after having first been read at the previous meeting and passed, and included in writing by the Secretary to all members, in the notification of the following meeting, and acted upon as the First order of Business at such following meeting, after the reading of the Minutes.

Section 3 – This Document takes Precedence over all Former Rules or By-Laws of this Club.

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