



Established 1937 - Charter Member SCTA ©

**CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**ROAD RUNNERS CAR CLUB**

The conduct and activities of the Club shall be conducted under the guidelines of this Constitution and By-Laws without exception.

**ARTICLE I**      Name and purpose of the Club

- A. This organization shall be known as the ROAD RUNNERS CAR CLUB.
- B. The purpose of this organization shall be to provide the membership with the opportunity to participate in organized motor vehicle speed events.
  - 1) The ROAD RUNNERS is a voting, affiliate club of the Southern California Timing Association, Inc. (SCTA), a 501©(3) public charitable corporation, and is subject to membership rules defined in Section IV, Sections B and C of the SCTA By-Laws. *(Language added 11/07)*

**ARTICLE II**      Membership

- A. Qualifications for membership
  - 1) Any person interested in the objectives of the ROAD RUNNERS CAR CLUB may be considered a candidate for membership, provided that:
    - a. The applicant possesses a valid motor vehicle driver's license.
    - b. Owns a motor vehicle and intends to participate in Club events.
    - c. Is of good moral standards.

- 2) Such a person, meeting the qualifications for membership and having filed a written application shall, if approved by the required vote as described in ART II, Sec. B-2 of this Constitution, become a member of the Club subject to the following:
  - a. Attend 3 meetings. Membership will be voted on at the next regular or special meeting.
  - b. Pay the initiation fees and dues in full. (*By-Laws amendment – 2/8/00*)
  - c. Serve 90 day probation period. (*clerical correction 1/12/10*)
  - d. ~~Attend all Club events during the probation period.~~ (*Amended 11/10/09*)

B. Manner of election to membership

- 1) Election to membership shall be by open vote of members present. (*Clarification 1/12/10*)
- 2) Three negative votes shall be sufficient to reject the application for membership.

C. Duties of members

- 1) All members shall, under penalty of fine or dismissal, take part in the programs and activities as assigned by the Club.

D. Causes for dismissal from the Club

- 1) Becoming more than 3 months in arrears on dues or more than \$10.00 behind in combined expenses.
- 2) Disregarding the rules and regulations of the Club, the Association, or the Motor Vehicle Code.
- 3) Failure to participate in at least 3 activities in a season.

E. Re-admittance

- 1) Any person dismissed from the Club who wishes to be re-admitted shall follow the same procedures as new members and shall pay all back dues, fines, and other commitments to the Club, the Association, and to any other Clubs where obligations are outstanding.

F. Associate Member (*Formerly known as Inactive Membership- revised 11/07*)

- 1) Associate members of the ROAD RUNNERS CAR CLUB are Club members only and not members of the SCTA.

- 2) Members of the ROAD RUNNERS who are not SCTA members may not hold Club officer's posts for those positions requiring a working relationship with the Association. Those posts are:

President  
Vice President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
SCTA Club Representative (appointed position - See Art III, Sec F)

Club members who do not belong to SCTA may hold posts dealing with Club activities which are:

~~Records Keeper (position removed 6/14/11)~~  
Sergeant-at-arms  
Historian (appointed position - See Art III, Sec F)  
Webmaster (appointed position - See Art III, Sec F)

- 3) Club members who do not belong to SCTA will pay only the Club dues and fees.
- 4) ~~Associate members have no voting right for Club Officers. (Clarification—12/8/09)~~ Associate members have no voting right for SCTA related Club Officers or on SCTA matters. Associate members may vote on all other non-SCTA related matters. (*Amendment to Constitution – 1/12/16*)

G. Out of Area Member (*Amendment to Constitution – 7/10/07*)

- 1) If an applicant lives over 100 miles from ROAD RUNNERS headquarters (Riverside) they may apply for Out-of-Area Member status
  - a. Attend one regular, scheduled, Club meeting. ~~(This can be a regular meeting or pre-arranged meeting with members at El Mirage or at another ROAD RUNNERS function as long as quorum is present).~~ Membership will be voted on at the next regular ROAD RUNNERS meeting. (*Amended 11/10/09*)
  - b. Must submit a comprehensive racing biography including experience, plans and detail why the applicant wishes to be a member.
  - c. Pay first year's ROAD RUNNERS and SCTA dues and pay an additional year's dues as a probationary fee. After the first year of membership and all requirements and duties are met, the probationary fee will be applied toward the member's second year's dues. Failure to meet requirements and duties will result in forfeiture of dues and probationary fee.
  - d. Member must perform assigned Club/SCTA duties. These may include such duties as Patrol Duty, Cone pick-up, Course Prep, Course Walk, Club Rep., etc. Members are only required to do a single duty but may volunteer for more. (Failure to meet duties results in fines to the Club by

SCTA. Fines resulting from failure to perform assigned duties are passed directly to the member.)

- e. Following successful completion of the probationary period the member will have full Club member status.
  - f. Out of Area Members must be present at the November Membership meeting to vote on the new board.. (*Clarification – 12/8/09*)
- 2) Only the driver(s) / owner(s) of a race vehicle need to become an SCTA member. Crew members may or may not apply for membership at their discretion. *Note: Any owner listed on an official SCTA or BNI race entry form must be a member of that organization.*

H. Life Member (*Amendment to Const & By-Laws, 6/11/13*)

- 1) Any original member of the Club (Charter Member) may join the Road Runners as a Life Member (Associate Member). There will be no dues charges for Life Members.
- 2) Life Member eligibility will include any Road Runners who were active members, at any time, from 1937 to and including 1949.
- 3) Potential Life Members may be self nominated or nominated by a current Club Member.

ARTICLE III Officers

A. Titles

- 1) President
- 2) Vice President
- 3) Secretary
- 4) Treasurer
- 5) Sergeant-at-arms
- 6) ~~Record Keeper~~ (*position removed 6/14/11*)

B. Election and Tenure

- 1) Nominations for officers shall be opened during the October meeting. The officers shall be nominated from the floor and elected at the regular meeting in November. All officers shall be elected by majority vote of those present at the November meeting. Election shall be by closed ballot when there are two or more candidates for an office. (*Amended – 11/14/00*) Tenure of office is January 1 through December 31. (*Clarification – 11/28/07*) (*Amended 2/9/10*)

C. Eligibility to hold office

1) Any member of the Club shall be eligible to hold an officer's post under the conditions as follows:

- a. The nominee is a member in good standing.
- b. The member has completed the 90 day probation period and has been a member for at least 6 months.
- c. The nominee is a Club member and an SCTA member to hold the post of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- SCTA Club Representative (appointed position - See Art III, Sec F)

- d. The nominee is a Club member but not necessarily an SCTA member to hold the posts of:

- Sergeant-at-arms
- ~~Record Keeper~~ (*position removed 6/14/11*)
- Historian (appointed position - See Art III, Sec F)
- Webmaster (appointed position - See Art III, Sec F)

D. Vacancies of office

1) Should any office become vacant, the Club shall, at the earliest possible date thereafter, order a special election for the purpose of filling the vacancy.

The member thus elected shall immediately enter the office and assume its duties, and shall hold the office until the next regular election is held.

E. Duties of officers

1) The President shall:

- a. Preside over all meetings of the Club.
- b. Be responsible for all Club business and relations.
- c. Attend all Association meetings as a Representative of the Club.
- d. Enforce all regulations of the Club.

2) The Vice President shall:

- a. Carry out the duties of the President in his absence.

- b. Be responsible for Club duties and equipment. *(Amended – 3/10/92)*
  - c. Coordinate Patrol activities.
- 3) The Secretary shall:
- a. Record and keep as a record the proceedings of all Club meetings.
  - b. Conduct the correspondence of the Club.
  - c. Report to the Club on issues from the past meeting minutes where requested.
  - d. Issue notices of meetings to all members. This notification may be via US Mail, e-mail or phone call. *(Clarification - 7/10/07)(function moved from Records Keeper to Secretary 6/14/11)*
- 4) The Treasurer shall:
- a. Collect all fees and dues.
  - b. Render to the Club an accounting each month, or as required, of all receipts and expenditures.
  - c. Advise the Club on matters of financial importance.
  - d. Be responsible for the financial affairs of the Club.
- 5) ~~The Records Keeper shall:~~ *(Position removed 6/14/11- Responsibilities moved to Secretary and Sergeant-at-arms positions.)*
- ~~a. Take roll call at Club meetings~~
  - ~~b. Issue notices of meetings to all members. This notification may be via US Mail, e-mail or phone call. *(Clarification – 7/10/07)*~~
  - ~~c. Maintain a record of point standings for Club awards.~~
  - ~~d. Tally points at year end and report to the Club awards committee on standings.~~
- 6) The Sergeant-at-arms shall:
- a. Maintain order during Club meetings.
  - b. Be empowered to assist and collect fines during Club meetings.
  - c. Take roll call at Club meetings

- d. Maintain a record of point standings for Club awards.
- e. Tally points at year end and report to the Club awards committee on standings.

F. Appointed Positions

- 1) SCTA Club Representative (Club Rep)
  - a. Club Rep is defined as a Club duty. *(Amended – 4/91)*
  - b. Requirements for Member Club Representative are defined in Section V of the SCTA By-Laws.
  - c. Meeting and Special Meeting requirements for Member Club Representatives are defined in Sections VI and VII of the SCTA By-Laws.
  - d. SCTA Club Representatives must be full members of SCTA. ROAD RUNNERS Associate Members are not eligible.
- 2) Historian *(Description added 11/07)*
  - a. Maintain the historical files of the Club.
- 3) Webmaster *(Description added 11/07)*
  - a. Establish and maintain a ROAD RUNNERS website on the Internet.
  - b. Coordinate Club content and links with the SCTA Webmaster.

ARTICLE IV Meetings

A. Time and Place

- 1) Meetings shall be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month unless otherwise specified.

The place and the time of the meeting shall be determined by the Club.

B. Special meetings

- 1) Special meetings may be called by the President or upon demand of any 5 members.

C. A minimum of two Board Meetings will be held each calendar year. Dates to be determined, generally one pre-season and one during the racing season. *(Added 11/10/09)*

ARTICLE V Club points and awards

A. Fast time trophy

- 1) A FAST TIME TROPHY will be presented to the member with the fastest time recorded in a regular season, **one award each to Fast Time Car and Fast Time Motorcycle**. To be eligible, the entry must be entered as a Road Runner. For any entry to qualify for Road Runner club points or trophy, it must first have received full SCTA points under the Road Runner club name. Entry must enter 3 meets in a season to be eligible. (Applicable to SCTA competitions only.) *(Clarification added 11/07)(Amended 10/8/19 – Begins with 2020 Season)*

B. Racing award trophy (High Points Champion)

- 1) A RACING AWARD TROPHY (High Points Champion) shall be presented to the member who runs the high point entry for the DRY LAKES and the 1/4 mile season based on TOTAL SCTA ASSOCIATION points.

To be eligible, the entry must be entered as a Road Runner. For any entry to qualify for ROAD RUNNER club points or trophy, it must first have received full SCTA points under the ROAD RUNNER Club name. (Applicable to SCTA competitions only) *(Clarification added 11/07)*

- 2) High Points Champ is not required to perform Club Duty. *(Amended – 4/12/94)*

C. Harvey Haller Memorial

- 1) This award shall be a perpetual trophy presented by vote to one of the top 5 members in the annual point standings based on the following system:  
Attendance = 1 point  
Association duties = 3 points  
Club activity participation = 4 points  
Special duties = 1-3 points

Points are maintained by the ~~Record Keeper~~ Sergeant-at-arms. *(Clarification 11/07)(Amended 6/14/11)*

- 2) The Harvey Haller Award selection committee shall be made up of the immediate previous recipient as Chairperson and appointees/volunteers as follows. The Chairperson shall appoint one member and the Club President shall appoint two members. Nominating/voting membership will be the Chairperson and the three appointees/volunteers. *(Amended 6/12/12)*

D. President's Gavel presentation

- 1) It is traditional that the outgoing Club President be presented with a gavel as a symbol of attaining the highest post in the Club.



A. The initiation fee for new (full) Members shall be \$141.00\*. *(Amended 12/2024)*

- 1) SCTA Hospital fund \$ 5.00
- 2) ROAD RUNNER Club fee \$10.00
- 3) ROAD RUNNER dues \$40.00 *(Amended 12/2024)*
- 4) SCTA dues \$85.00\* *(SCTA raised dues by \$10 on 12/2024)*

a. SCTA Life Members, as described in SCTA By-Laws, Sec. IV.A.1.b, pay only Club dues.

- *\* NOTE: SCTA member Club dues are sometimes subsidized by SCTA-BNI. When subsidy is in effect, the SCTA portion of a Club member's dues are reduced by the amount of the subsidy.*

- 5) *SCTA fee* \$ 1.00

## B. Annual dues and fees and related information.

- 1) ROAD RUNNERS Club dues \$40.00 *(Amended 12/2024)*
- 2) SCTA dues \$85.00\* *(SCTA raised dues by \$10 on 12/2024)*

a. SCTA Life Members, as described in SCTA By-Laws, Sec. IV.A.1.b, pay only Club dues.

- *\* See NOTE in ART VI.A.4 above.*

- 3) Annual dues must be paid by January 31 of the new year. - Failure to pay dues and outstanding fees on time may lead to dismissal from the Club. *(Amended 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. 2007) (Date corrected 12/12/07)*
- 4) Charter Members of the Club shall be exempt from Club dues.
- 5) Associate Members who do not belong to SCTA pay only the Club dues and fees.
- 6) HONORARY Association members shall pay only Club dues and fees.
- 7) Club trophies and awards will be presented only to members who are paid up in full for all Club obligations
- 8) The Club shall have the power to assess the membership as deemed necessary.

C. Fines shall be assessed by the Sergeant-at-arms on the following schedule:

- Late arrival at meetings or duties \$ .50
- Talking out of turn \$ .25
- Profanity \$ .50
- Causing a disturbance \$ .50
- Failure to carry out assigned duty, plus  
Make-up of that duty within one year \$50.00
- Falling out of chair or other seating device \$ 1.00

ARTICLE VII Quorum

- A. For any meeting of the Club, a quorum shall consist of a simple majority of the attending membership.

ARTICLE VIII Amendments

- A. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Club by a 2/3 vote of the attending membership (quorum) providing that the proposed amendment has been presented to the membership present and entered formally into the meeting minutes.

Upon final discussion, the amendment may be voted on at the next regular Club meeting.

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 Submitted by Review Committee: Jerry Cornelison, Bill Harris and Richard Ross  
 Update: March 11, 2008 – Art VI, Sec. A.4, a and B.2, a – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: November 11, 2009 – Art IIG1a, IIA2d and IVC1 – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: December 10, 2009 – Art IIF4, IIG1f, VIA, VIA4 and VIB2 – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: March 24, 2011 - Art IV (change in SCTA Dues) – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: January 12, 2012 – Art IIF2, IIIA6, IIIC1d, IIIE3d, IIIE5, IIIE6c,d,e, VC1 – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: June 12, 2012 - Art VC2 – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: June 11, 2013 – Art II, H – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: January 12, 2016 – Art II, F,4 – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: October 8, 2019 – Art V, A.1 – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary  
 Update: December 10, 2024 – Art VI, A, B – Jerry Cornelison, Secretary