

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME

Section 1. The name of this group shall be Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Incorporated.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

Section 1. The purpose of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. shall be to protect and propagate game and fish, to assist in the conservation of forests and streams, to assist in making fish and game laws, and to foster and perpetuate a feeling of goodwill between fellow sportsmen, farmers, and fish and game authorities. It shall be our further purpose to promote the responsible use of firearms and the natural resources of our country.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., shall be divided as follows: regular, life, service, honorary, and junior as prescribed by the –laws.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., shall be elected for the period of one year, and shall consist of the following.

- *President*
- *Vice-President*
- *Recording Secretary*
- *Financial Secretary*

- *Treasurer*
- *Section 2. The board of Directors shall be composed of six active members of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, inc. for the period of on year, also elected.*

ARTICLE V

COMMITTEES

Section 1. The regular committees of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. shall be appointed for the period of one year and shall consist of the following:

A. Game Committee E. Educational

B. Fish Committee F. Publicity

C. Conservation G. Archery Range

D. Legislative H. Grounds Maintenance

Section 2. Sub-committees to the various committees may be appointed when it is deemed necessary to assist in the duties of the regular committees.

Section 3. Special committees may be appointed for a period of time required to perform the duties for which they are appointed.

ARTICLE VI

MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular annual meeting of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., will be held in December.

Section 2. The regular monthly meetings of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., shall be held on the fourth Monday of each month with the exception of November, no meeting is scheduled. Should the fourth Monday fall on a holiday, said meeting shall be voted on.

Section 3. Special meetings may be held at the request of either the Board of Directors or at the request of the majority of the members present at any meeting. All active members shall be notified of all special meetings. A call for a special meeting must state for what purpose the meeting is called and no other business can be acted upon at such special meetings.

Section 4. In the event a motion is passed at a meeting of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., that clearly violates the Constitution and/or By-Laws, a petition of (7) seven signatures of members in good standing to repeal this motion can be delivered to the presiding officers before the meeting is adjourned. This motion will then be annulled and debated at the following regular meeting.

Section 5. A quorum to transact business at any meeting, either special or regular, shall consist of the number of members present.

ARTICLE VII

FINANCE

Section 1. In the event it ever becomes necessary for said Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., to raise special funds for the advancement of said group, as herein set forth by the Constitution and By-Laws, the Board of Directors shall recommend to the members of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., at any regular or special meeting a method by which said condition may be established.

ARTICLE VIII

AMMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendments to the Constitution here set forth and the following By-Laws in writing at a regular or special meeting and signed by at least seven members in good standing. The said proposed amendments shall be carried until the next regular or subsequent meeting and signed by at least seven members in good standing. The said amendment or amendments shall be carried until the next regular or subsequent meeting, and to procure adoption, they must be received by vote by the majority of members present.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Nomination of candidates for the elective offices of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., may be made from the floor. The election shall be by ballot or by acclamation at the annual meeting in December and the candidates receiving the most votes shall be declared elected by the Present.

Section 2. Vacancies in any office by death, resignation, or otherwise shall be filled by the Board of Directors whose action shall be valid until the next annual election.

Section 3. Only regular, life or junior members may hold office in Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc.

ARTICLE II

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. President: It shall be the duty of the President to be presiding officer. He shall call all regular and special meetings as prescribed by the Constitution and By-Laws. He shall appoint all regular, special, and sub-committees. He shall affix his signature to all legal documents of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. He shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors, an Ex-Officio Member of all regular and special committees and attend to all other matters coming under his jurisdiction as President.

Section 2. Vice-President: In the absence of the President at any regular or special meeting, as well as meetings of the Board of Directors and meetings of regular and special committees, it shall be the duty of the Vice-President to assume the duties of the President.

Section 3. Recording Secretary: The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of both Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and the Board of Directors. He shall prepare, certify, and sign all orders to the Treasurer of the Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., when directed to do so by the proper authority. He shall notify the Board of Directors of all board meetings and attend to all matters coming under his jurisdiction.

Section 4. Financial Secretary: The Financial Secretary shall collect all membership dues and forward the same to the Treasurer of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. He shall forward to each member the necessary credentials upon payment of dues and keep a true record of their standing. He shall attend to all other matters coming under his jurisdiction.

Section 5. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all money received and dispersed by him, showing especially for what account collected and for what purpose expended. He shall give a detailed account of all money received dispersed at each meeting, as well as a yearly report at the annual meeting. He shall deposit all money belonging to Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. The Treasurer shall be bonded at an amount determined by the Board of Directors. He shall attend to all other matters coming under his jurisdiction.

Section 6. Board of Directors: It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to meet when circumstances require a meeting for the purpose of discussing and recommending that which may seem valuable for the good of the group. They shall examine, and audit the books and accounts of the Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and provide ways and means for collecting dues

and other funds belonging to the group. They shall report all their actions to the next regular or special meeting. The directors present at and Directors Meeting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE III

DUTIES of the COMMITTEES

Section 1. Game Committee: It shall be the duty of the Game Committee to procure its district's share of the game and to aid in the distribution of game by cooperating with the members of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and any sub-committees. They shall keep a record of the locations of the placing of game and shall report any undesirable locations for propagation of same, through their experience and findings.

Section 2. Fish Committee: It shall be the duty of the Fish Committee to procure its district's pro-rata share of fish and to aid in the distribution of same, by cooperating with the members of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and any sub-committees. They shall keep a record of the locations of the placing of fish and shall report any undesirable locations for propagation of the same through their experience and findings

Section 3. Conservation Committee: It shall be the duty of the Conservation Committee to encourage the planting of trees and shrubbery to foster the replenishing of stock for forests and streams, to urge care-taking and conservation of same, and to caution fellow sportsmen to avoid fires and destruction to forests, damage to land and pollution to streams.

Section 4. Legislative Committee: It shall be the duty of the Legislative Committee to attend to all matters pertaining to legislation, whether federal, state, county, borough, or township, touching the interest of the Sportsmen. They shall assist in advancing the interest of the group by keeping in touch with the laws of the Commonwealth, as well as proposed bills and report their findings to the members.

Section 5. Educational Committee: It shall be the duty of the Educational Committee to cooperate with the local school districts, civic organizations, and farm groups, and to inform and enlighten such organizations concerning wildlife and all other conservations.

Section 6. Publicity Committee: It shall be the duty of the Publicity Committee to contact the press, to publish all activities of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and to keep the group before the minds of the public.

Section 7. Archery Committee: It shall be the duty of the Archery Committee to maintain the archery course. It shall also be the duty of the Archery Committee to promote responsible archery hunting and recreational shooting in cooperation with Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc.

Section 8. Grounds Maintenance Committee: It shall be the duty of the Grounds Maintenance Committee to maintain the grounds and facilities of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. This shall include range maintenance and safety, driveway, mowing, etc.

Section 9. Quorum: The majority of the members of each committee shall constitute a quorum to transact committee business.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Regular or Life Membership: Any person of good moral character 21 years of age or older shall be eligible for membership of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., who willingly subscribes to the objects and purposes of this club as set forth in the Constitution.

Section 2. Service Membership: Any person performing services benefiting Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., may be granted a service membership by the Board of Directors. Service members shall exempt from payment of dues. A service member shall not be eligible for an elected office or have any voting privileges.

Section 3. Honorary Membership: Honorary Membership may be granted to an individual at any regular or special meeting, who has performed some meritorious act or who has attained eminence in scientific pursuits in the advancing of the interest of fishing, hunting, forestation, and purification of the waters of Pennsylvania. Honorary members shall be exempted from payment of dues.

Section 4. Junior Membership: Any person of good moral character age 16 thru 21 years of age shall be eligible for junior membership in Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. who willingly subscribes to the objects and purposes of this club as set forth in the Constitution.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Section 1. Application for regular, life or junior membership shall be made in writing under such regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc.

Section 2. All applicants must submit dues and application fee when applying for membership.

Section 3. All applications for regular, life or junior membership shall be acted upon at the next club meeting following the making of such application, and shall, at such meeting, be

accepted, rejected or referred for further investigation and consideration. If a majority of the members present at a regular meeting cast their votes against the acceptance of said application, then such application shall be recorded as rejected.

ARTICLE VI

DUES

Section 1. The amount of the annual, life and junior dues and application fee shall be recommended by the Board of Directors and voted on by members present at a regular meeting.

Section 2. The membership year shall be from January 1 through December 31.

Section 3. Annual dues shall be paid by March 15 of the current year. At the end of this period, all members not paid up shall be declared delinquent. A delinquent member may submit an application for membership and this application is to be processed at that of a new member.

ARTICLE VII

CONDUCT

Section 1. Invited guests under age 16 and/or spouse are welcome to use the facilities when accompanied by a member in good standings.

Section 2. Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., members are responsible for their guests.

Section 3. No privileges are extended to guests when facilities on premises are full.

Section 4. Any willful disregard or violation of the game and fish laws will not be tolerated by Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and shall be a just and sufficient cause for expelling a member from Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. The member shall foster clean sportsmanship and it shall be the duty of each member to report to the President or Directors any violations of the game and the fish laws which may come to his notice. The Board of Directors shall have the power to prosecute any offender of these laws.

Section 5. Any member who shall, at any meeting, make use of improper language, misbehave in any manner, shall be subject to expulsion from Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc.

Section 6. Any member willfully destroying or injuring any of the property or the effects of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., or any property entrusted to its care may be expelled.

Section 7. Any member bringing intoxicating drinks or narcotics onto the premises of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., for the purposes of using or distributing it there may be expelled.

Section 8. Any member of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., subject to expulsion, shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors. Upon their recommendation, the members present at a regular meeting may expel said member by a majority vote.

ARTICLE VIII

ORDER AND BUSINESS MEETINGS

Section 1. All meetings of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., shall be conducted according to recognized Parliamentary Rules. A majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting, when properly called, shall transact business, except wherein it is otherwise specified by the Constitution or By-Laws of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc.

Section 2. The following shall be the order of business:

- *Calling the meeting to order.*
 - *Roll call of officers.*
- *Reading of minutes of Board of Directors' meeting.*
- *Reading of minutes of regular and special meetings of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc.*
 - *Reports of officers*
 - *President*
 - *Vice-President*
 - *Recording Secretary*
 - *Financial Secretary*
 - *Treasurer*
 - *Report of Committees*
 - *Regular*
 - *Sub*

- *Special*
- *Recommendation for Membership*
 - *Unfinished business*
 - *New business*
 - *Good of the order*
- *Nomination, election, and installation of officers.*
 - *Adjournment*

ARTICLE IX

DISBURSEMENT OF ASSETS

Section 1. In the event of disbandment of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc. all assets will be turned over to the Wild land's Conservancy of Emmaus, Pa.

ARTICLE X

Personal Liability of Officers and Directors

Section 1. An officer or director of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., shall not be personally liable for monetary damages as such for any action taken, or any failure to take any action, unless: The officer or the director has breached or failed to perform the duties of his/her office in good faith, in a manner he/she reasonably believes to be in the best interests of Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, skill and diligence, as a person of ordinary prudence would use under similar circumstances; and the breach or failure to perform constitutes self-dealing, willful misconduct or recklessness. The provisions of this Section 1 shall not apply to the responsibility or liability of an officer or director pursuant to any criminal statute, or for the payment of taxes pursuant to local, state or federal law.

Section 2. Subject to the limitations herein before set forth, Penn-Dutch Sportsmen, Inc., shall indemnify each director and officer, his/her heirs, executors or administrators, to the full extent permitted by law, against all judgments, fines, liabilities, and reasonable expenses (including, but not limited to, court costs, attorneys' fees and any amount paid in any settlement), which judgments, fines and liabilities and expenses were incurred or expended in

connection with any claim, suit, action or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative in performance of duties of officers and directors.