

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME

SECTION A: This organization shall be known as the Cresson Community Sportsman's Association.

ARTICLE II

DIRECTIVES

SECTION A: The objectives of the association are:

1. To form a body of men and women from Cresson and vicinity thoroughly interested in the sports of hunting, fishing, rifle matches, trap shoots, archery and other related sports.
2. To encourage active participation in all things that have to do with sports and community betterment.
3. To assist in every way in the training of youth in the use of firearms and the sportsman's code.
4. To teach organization and co-operation.
5. To cooperate with other sporting associations, and when desirable, to affiliate with them on certain projects.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION A: Any person of sound character, who is of the age required by the Pennsylvania game and fish laws to hold hunting and fishing license may be submitted for membership.

SECTION B: Application for membership will be required by application on a form supplied by membership committee and accompanied by membership fee.

1. A majority vote of the membership at the regular monthly members meeting will be required for membership.
2. Junior membership shall range in age from 12 to 21.

SECTION C: Honorary membership shall not be granted except by majority vote of elected officers.

SECTION D: Resolved that on and after August 1, 1962 all new members obtaining membership certificates shall acquire same under condition that all rights to membership and certificates shall be forfeited after or when member becomes delinquent in his dues for two (2) consecutive years.

SECTION E: Any member attending 8 monthly meetings or performing 25 work hours or participating in 10 yearly functions of the club and current dues paid will be considered an active member.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS

SECTION A: The regular members meeting shall be held once each month at the club.

SECTION B: Ten (10) members, including one elected officer shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V

FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP

SECTION A: Any member can be expelled or suspended for cause by a majority vote of members present at the regular monthly member meeting, after a committee of three (3) persons appointed by the board of directors make a special investigation, then meet with said person/persons and approve such expulsion, suspension or resolution.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICERS

SECTION A: The officers of the association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Director of Game, Director of Fish and the Director of Youth activities, these officers together with the retiring President, make up the Board of Directors with the following members:

Three (3) members elected to three (3) year terms.

Three (3) members elected to two (2) year terms.

Three (3) members elected to one (1) year term.

Shall all constitute the board of directors; the retiring President shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors for a period of on (1) year after his term as President. The new, incoming Vice-President will serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors.

SECTION B: Four (4) Members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION C: No person shall be eligible to hold elected positions unless they have been an active member in good standing of the club for at least two consecutive calendar years and are at least twenty-one (21) years of age. They can hold an elected position the second year as long as they have required time to be an active member that year.

SECTION D: The membership shall elect a delegate and/or an alternate delegate to attend conventions and affiliated group meetings.

ARTICLE VII

ELECTIONS

SECTION A: The Officers and Board of Directors shall be elected as follows: A nomination meeting shall be held in November of each year on the regular meeting day. All members shall be notified of the nomination meeting by e-mail or postcard at least one week before said meeting.

SECTION B: The President shall open nominations for the purpose of proposing the names of candidates at the nomination meeting. At this meeting any member may propose from the floor any active member to fill an office, the nomination must carry a second, and person nominated must accept this nomination.

SECTION C: The election shall take place on the Sunday prior to regular meeting day in December from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm and will be announced to each member by e-mail or postcard not less than one week before said meeting.

SECTION D: The election shall be held by secret ballot by those qualified to vote. The membership committee will provide a roster of members qualified to vote including junior members over 18 years of age, life members and regular members.

SECTION E: All Officers and Directors shall be elected annually, and shall take office following the meeting in December and shall hold office for a period of one (1) year from that date, or until a successor is elected.

SECTION F: During the election no members permitted in clubhouse except to vote, all campaigning for office must be done outside the building. Write in votes are not permitted, unless a position is unfilled. Write in votes must be for an active member only. Absentee ballots will be available from membership committee two weeks prior to balloting. Must be postmarked and in PO Box by Saturday before Sunday election. Absentee ballots will bare the club seal.

SECTION G: President will nominate five (5) member election committee of which three (3) members must be in the clubhouse during the election, members must be approved by majority vote of the membership at the regular monthly members meeting in November after nominations and no nominated person is to be on the said election committee.

SECTION H: Any officer or member of a committee who fails to perform the duties incident to their office shall be ousted from office by a 2/3 vote of the members present, after notice of the proposed action has been given to the member one week prior to a regular meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION A: The President shall be the Chief Executive of the Association. He shall preside at all meetings; and shall be President of the Board of Directors. He shall issue calls for regular and special meetings, and meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall appoint the standing committees. He shall see that these committees function and shall co-operate with these committee reports. He shall see that regular elections are held in accordance with the Constitution.

SECTION B: If for any reason the President is unable to perform his duties, the Vice-President shall occupy that position and perform the duties, having the same authority as the President. The Vice-President shall also serve as Chairman of the Board.

SECTION C: If for reason the office of President shall become vacant, the Vice-President shall succeed in office until a new President is elected. In the event of the vacancy in any other office, the Board of Directors shall appoint a member in good standing to fill the unexpired term. However, such appointment must be ratified by the membership at the next regular monthly members meeting by a majority vote of the members present.

SECTION D: The Secretary/Treasurer shall be under the supervision and direction of the President and the Board of Directors and shall act as liaison officer between the Association, the district association and the Fish and Game Commission. The Secretary/Treasurer's duties shall be.

1. Keep minutes of regular, special and Board of Directors meetings.
2. Keep roster of all members by name and address.
3. Act as reporter to newspapers.
4. Maintain a list of officers and committees
5. Keep correct accounts of the Associations financial condition. Make and report a complete financial statement at regular meetings, which will be entered in full in the minutes of the meeting.
6. The Secretary/Treasurer need not be bonded.
7. The Secretary/Treasurer shall settle all accounts not later than January 31 of each year or within ten (10) days after vacating the office. These accounts shall be audited by three (3) members of the club appointed by the President. The auditors shall certify to the Association the results of their audit.
8. Keep such other information and records concerning the activities of the Association.
9. No check shall be written for cash by any member other than the Secretary/Treasurer and then shall bare a witness signature of one of the Officers.
10. All checks shall require the signature of two (2) Officers, President, Vice-President and/or Secretary/Treasurer.

SECTION E: The Director of Game shall be Chairman of the Committee on Game. This committee shall be appointed by the President and shall consist of four (4) members, exclusive of the Director, who shall be elected by the members.

1. He shall investigate and report the condition of the game supply and make recommendations as to stocking areas in the Association's territory.
2. He shall perform other such duties as is allied with the supply and feeding of game.
3. He shall contact farmers for their co-operation with the Association in stocking and feeding, etcetera.

SECTION F: The Director of Fish shall have the same duties as defined and allotted to the Director of Game, except his duties shall be concerning fish and their supply. Four (4) members shall be appointed by the President to serve on the committee with the Director who shall be elected by the members.

SECTION G: The Director of Youth Activities shall formulate plans and put into action youth projects such as,

1. Proper use and safety measures in handling guns, rifles, pistols marksmanship, etcetera.
2. Any other activity of interest to teach youth sportsmanship.

Four (4) members shall be appointed by the President to serve each of the above committees with the Director who shall be elected by the members.

SECTION H: The Board of Directors shall lay the plans for the activities of the Association. They shall meet once each month at the call of the President other than the regular meeting of the Association. The members must approve the action of the Board of Directors.

SECTION I: Meetings may be called at any time by a vote of three (3) members of the Board of Directors. A valiant attempt must be made to notify all members of board.

ARTICLE IX

DUES

SECTION A:

1. The yearly dues of the Association shall be fifteen Dollars (\$15) subject to approval at the regular meeting. There shall be no assessments. Except by Majority vote of members present. After one (1) weeks notice of the proposed action is given. Effective January 1, 2007.
2. Junior membership dues shall be fifty percent (50%) of the regular membership dues.
3. After thirty (30) paid years, a member shall be considered a life member and shall not be required to pay any more yearly dues. Any member has the right to buy a life membership.

SECTION B: Each member shall receive a membership card after processing by membership committee. Membership cards are valid for one (1) calendar year.

SECTION C: Any application received and approved after October 1 of any given year will be credited for the following year.

ARTICLE X

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE

SECTION A: In the absence of rules in this constitution or in the By-Laws of the Association's Board of Directors meeting as well as regular monthly members meeting, meetings shall be conducted in accordance with established parliamentary procedure, the following order of business shall prevail.

Roll call
Reading of minutes of regular/special meetings, including financial report
Report of Officers
Report of standing committees
Report of special committees
Unfinished business
New business
Election of Officers
Election of members
Adjournment

ARTICLE XI

ADMENDMENTS

SECTION A: this constitution may be amended at any regular membership meeting of the Association at which there is a quorum by a two-thirds (2/3) votes of the members present.

SECTION B: No amendment shall be put to a vote until e-mail or postcard is sent at least one (1) week prior to the meeting on which the amendment is to be voted on, said notice will state the amendment to be voted on.

ARTICLE XII

LIQUIDATION

SECTION A: Resolved that upon sale or liquidation of this Association and its assets, after all just debts of the Association are paid. Voluntary labor performed by members shall first be paid out of the balance of the proceeds of such sale or liquidation under the following terms and conditions:

1. A building and grounds committee is hereby designated as a permanent part of the Association. The President shall appoint this committee in February of each year.
2. The building and grounds committee shall keep a list of all work to be performed, posted in the clubhouse at all times.
3. Any member who does work listed to be done by the building and grounds shall sign the work sheet posted in the clubhouse, giving the dates and number of work hours and work done. This is to be verified by a member of the building and grounds committee.
4. A yearly record of such credited hours shall be approved or disapproved at the first regular meeting of the following year after approval the credited hours shall be entered on the individual's membership record and made a permanent part of the Association's record.
5. Each member shall be paid the sum of one dollar (\$2) per hour for credited work according to the association records. The Association record shall be accepted as final determination of credits due each member, and shall in no case be subject to question.
6. In the event a member dies before sale or liquidation, the above record of his/her credited hours shall be destroyed and voided.
7. No rights or credits under this clause shall pass to their heirs.

SECTION B: Resolved that in event of a sale or liquidation of the Association assets. Through stock or certificate holders shall be classified as:

- 1.a. Those delinquent in dues.
- b. Those not delinquent in dues and the two classes of stock or certificate holders shall share in the proceeds from such sale or liquidation after all other debts and credit hours have been paid as follows.
 - 2.a. Delinquent in dues as of two (2) years preceding date of sale or liquidation shall receive the sum stated on the members share certificate.
 - 2.b. Those not delinquent in dues as of two (2) years preceding the date of sale or liquidation shall receive equal division of assets or proceeds after all debts, credit hours, delinquent in dues holders, and other just claims have been paid. Provided however in no event such holders received less than the delinquent dues holders shall receive.

ARTICLE XIII

CLUB PROPERTY

SECTION A: The Association (club) property shall remain intact, and as is. Except for any improvements deemed necessary by the Board of Directors and approved at the regular members meeting.

ARTICLE XIV

NAME DESIGNATION

SECTION A: The names Cresson Community Sportsman's Association, Cresson Sportsman's Club, CCSA shall meant the same and be interchangeable throughout the document.

CRESSON COMMUNITY SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION APPROVED OCTOBER 16, 2006

