

**Comanche Trail Shootists
By Laws**

ARTICLE I

NAME:

The name of this organization shall be "Comanche Trail Shootists".

ARTICLE II

OBJECT:

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized rifle, pistol and shotgun combat-type competition, using the weaponry that was available prior to 1900 or replicas thereof, and to promote and teach accurate history of the American West. Further, while engaging in this sport, competitors are expected to "dress the part", i.e. hat, boots, leather gear and other costume accouterments as described in the SASS handbook, ~~with the exception that because of high desert heat, straw hats may be worn when temperatures reaches 80° fahrenheit.~~ It is our purpose to recreate and enjoy the days of the Old West, while still enjoying our marksmanship sport.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP:

Since our organization is national in scope, membership is limited to citizens of the United States. The NRA pledge should apply. Further, membership is not contingent on membership in the NRA and/or SASS. However, membership in both is strongly recommended.

National Rifle Association Pledge

I certify that I am a citizen of the United States of America and that I am not a member of any group or organization which has as any part of its program the attempt to overthrow the government of the United States or any of its political sub-divisions by force or violence, and if admitted to membership I will faithfully endeavor to fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

ARTICLE IV

DUES:

The members annual dues shall be \$25.00 or \$35.00 per family. These dues are set by the Executive Committee. A "family" shall consist of member, spouse and children under 18 years of age and living at home or 21 years of age if attending college as a full-time student.

Any member of the club whose dues are in arrears is ineligible to vote or to enjoy the privileges or benefits offered by the club.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS:

The regular business meeting of the club for the transaction of ordinary business shall be held such time and place as may be fixed by the Executive Committee.

The annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held in November at such time and place as may be fixed by the Executive Committee. If the annual meeting does not take place at the time fixed, it shall be held at a reasonable time thereafter and the officers shall hold over until their successors have been elected. Nominations for officers shall open in October and close in November.

Special meetings may be held at any time upon call of the president or upon the call of the Executive Committee or upon demand, in writing, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by not less than 20% of the members entitled to vote. Notice of the time, place and object of any special meeting shall be given to all officers and members in good standing in writing by the United States mail not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for the holding of the meeting. The place of the meeting shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.

A minimum of 1\3 of the members entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the general membership.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICERS:

The officers of this club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms and Range Officer. The duties of these officers shall be those described in the Roberts Rules of Order.

The Executive Committee shall have general supervision and control of all the activities of the club.

Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held regularly at such time and place as the Committee may determine. Special meetings may be held at any time on the call of the president or on the demand in writing, to the secretary, by three members of the committee.

Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

The resignation of any officer must be accepted by the remaining members of the Executive Committee.

Any vacancy in the Executive Committee, other than the President, shall be filled by a special election of the general membership within a reasonable time. The vacancy of the President shall be filled by the Vice-President and his office shall be filled by special election, for the purposes of maintaining continuity in the Executive Committee. Such elections shall be held by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII

REMOVAL FROM MEMBERSHIP:

Any officer may be removed by a 2/3 vote of the membership in good standing at any special meeting called for this purpose. No vote on suspension or removal shall be taken unless at least 15 days notice in writing shall have been given to the officer of the reason for his removal and the time and place of the special meeting at which such vote on his removal is to be taken. At such special meeting, the officer shall be given a full hearing.

Any member may be suspended or expelled from the club for any caused deemed sufficient by a 2/3 affirmation vote of the Executive Committee. At such meeting the members under charges will be accorded a full hearing.

Charges against any officer or member may be referred by any member in good standing. They shall be in writing, clearly stating the facts, and accompanied by all affidavits and/or exhibits which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the Secretary, who will immediately notify the President. The President will then call a meeting of the Executive Committee to hear the charges. The Secretary will give at least 15 days notice of the meeting to each member of the Executive Committee and to the accuser and to the accused, which notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges and supporting affidavits and exhibits.

Any member suspended or expelled by the Executive Committee may appeal to the full membership of the club. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the Secretary who shall notify the President. The President shall call a special meeting of the club for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Secretary shall give at least 15 days notice in writing to all members of the club in good standing, stating the date, time,

place and reason for such meeting. At the full meeting of the club, the Secretary will read the original charges, supporting affidavits, and will read or display the accompanying exhibits, and shall read the minutes of the special meeting of the Executive Committee at which the charges were heard and actions taken. A full hearing shall be given the accuser and the accused. A vote shall be taken of the members in good standing present and a 2/3 vote shall be required to confirm the action of the Executive Committee.

~~Any member of the club who has been suspended or expelled by the NRA shall automatically stand suspended or expelled by the club.~~

Sixty days after a members dues have become delinquent the club privileges shall be denied him and his membership shall be terminated. The member's badge (with exception of charter members' badges) remain the property of the club and shall be returned to the club upon expiration of membership.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS:

A proposed amendment to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the club at any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for this purpose. Such proposed amendment must be submitted to the NRA for approval. After it has been approved by the NRA it must be acted upon by the club membership at a regular meeting. A 2/3 vote of the quorum will be necessary to pass or reject it.

ARTICLE IX

DISBURSEMENT OF CLUB ASSETS:

In the event that the club assets must be liquidated due to disbanding, disincorporation or other reasons, disbursement to the membership shall adhere to the following procedure after settlement of all liabilities.

A. Seniority, in months, of each member currently in good standing shall be determined to the nearest full month by the club secretary. Active membership time only shall be counted. No member's beginning seniority shall precede July 1, 1995, which is recognized as the beginning of written historical records.

B. Each month of seniority shall be considered one (1) share and the total shares shall be divided into the total of the liquidated assets, to determine the dollar value of each share.

C. Each member shall receive a cash payment from the treasurer, equal to the dollar value of an individual share, times the number of months of his determined club seniority.

ARTICLE X

SAFETY:

Safety at all times being a priority, all Single Action Shooters Society rules as printed in the SASS Shooter's Handbook shall apply to all members and guests of this club.

I certify that these by-laws as amended, approved by the NRA, and ratified by the membership on June 28, 1995 have been adopted by this club.



Secretary
Comanche Trail Shootists

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

COMANCHE TRAIL SHOOTISTS

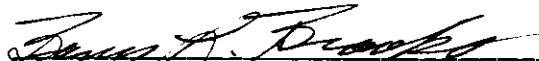
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Article V, Paragraph 4


AS READS: "A minimum of 1/3 of the members entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the general membership."

PROPOSED AMENDMENT: "A minimum of five(5) members entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the general membership."

PURPOSE: This change is necessary due to the many members who either live out of the area or have other personal obligations requiring their presence elsewhere.



Trail Boss (President)



Top Hand (Secretary)

approved 10/14/96



NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

October 21, 1996

Ms. Rhonda S. Wood
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Midland, TX 79710-0831

Dear Ms. Wood:

I have reviewed the bylaw amendment you have submitted on behalf of the Comanche Trail Shootists and found it to be fully consistent with the purposes and objectives of the National Rifle Association. The records section will file the amendment and a copy of this response in the permanent file for your club.

If I can be of assistance to you in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1/800-672-2582.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tina M. Robinson".

Tina M. Robinson, Marketing Manager
Clubs & Associations Department

TMR/jsr

