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Bylaws

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ARTICLE l - NAME

The organization name shall be the Pendleton Props Radio Control Club of Pendleton Oregon.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

2.1 The primary objective of this club shall be to assist each member in achieving that which he seeks from radio control aeromodelling.

2.2 The club shall establish basic rules of conduct and shall define club activities.

2.3 The club shall be non-profit.

2.4 The club shall maintain a continuing effort to provide flying sites for members.

ARTICLE lll – MEMBERSHIP

3.1 Any responsible individual showing an interest in building and/or flying radio controlled model aircraft shall be eligible for membership.

3.2 Membership is available in three categories.

Adult - Shall be defined as any person 17 years or older who meets membership criteria.

Family – Shall be defined as membership that includes spouses and/or minor dependents.

Child – Shall be defined as any person under 16 years old as of the beginning of the Membership Year. (Article IV Section 4.1)

3.3 All members shall maintain a current membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

3.4 All members shall have read and shall comply with these Bylaws.

3.5 No member shall participate in club activities nor be extended voting privileges until the full amount of his dues has been paid as specified under ARITCLE IV – DUES.

3.6 By a majority vote the membership shall be defined as any new member or any previous member who has not paid full dues for at least two previously consecutive membership years.

3.7 New membership shall be defined as any new member or any previous member who has not paid full dues for at least two previously consecutive membership years.

ARTICLE IV – DUES

4.1 The membership year shall be April 1st Through March 31st.

4.2 Club dues shall be paid at a rate established by the general membership. Dues for membership are due PRIOR to the beginning of the membership year.

A. Current Annual membership dues for new members and members in good standing are:

1.	Adult (17 years of age and older)	$30.00
2.	Family	$50.00
3.	Child (16 years of age and under)	$15.00

4.3 The rate, as approved by the general membership, may include late payment fees, dues increases and/or special membership discounts.

4.4 Dues for membership after the beginning of the membership year shall be prorated based on the following calculations:

A. Membership beginning after April 1st but before September 30th – full dues, plus any applicable late fees.

B. Memberships beginning after September 30th, dues shall be one-half of the annual membership of the then annual membership cost.

4.5 Dues shall not be refundable.

4.6 All members, upon payment of dues, shall be entered on the membership roster and shall be presented with a membership card, name tag, and a copy of these Bylaws.

4.7 Members will be considered in arrears if dues are not paid in full within 30 days of the beginning of the membership year and shall be assessed penalties and be suspended from the club roster and club activities in accordance with a plan approved by the general membership.

Late payment fee - $5.00

4.8 Reinstatement of prior members to active status.

ARTICLE V – RESIGNATION

4.9 Any member in good standing may resign his or her membership by giving written notice to the club.

5.0 No reimbursement of dues will be paid to the resigning member.

5.1 A resigning officer position will be filled by election and vote at the next following scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE VI – TERMINATION

6.1 If any member ceases to have the qualification necessary for membership in the AMA, his or her membership in the Club shall thereby terminate, subject to reinstatement upon restoration of eligibility. For Dues refer to Article 4.

ARTICLE VII – EXPULSION

7.1 If any member causes a DELIBERATE act of violence or malice towards another member or spectator there will be a vote taken at the next club meeting. A vote of 2/3 constitutes an expulsionary action. The club president has the liberty to call an emergency meeting if necessary to cast judgement. Guidelines for an expulsion are.

1. The use of a model as a weapon.

2. Deliberate sabotage of another's model.

3. Deliberate violation of any of the terms of these Bylaws or the Rules of the AMA, or which is detrimental to the Pendleton Props, the AMA or model aviation.

7.2 Member is banned from the flying field until reinstatement per ARTICLE VII is achieved.

ARTICLE VII – REINSTATEMENT

8.1 A 2/3rds vote of the membership is required for reinstatement to the club.

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

5.1 Regular business meetings shall be held on the third Thursday of each month, unless otherwise scheduled by the membership.

5.2 Regular meetings are open to all members and their guests.

5.3 Additional meetings may be called by the President, or the Vice President upon due notification of the membership.

5.4 The order of business at Regular meetings shall be:

1. Call meeting to order.

2. Introduce guests.

3. Introduce prospective members.

4. Reading of the minutes of previous meetings, with approval.

5. Treasury report.

6. Old business

7. New business

8. Adjournment.

9. Special activities and Entertainment.

ARTICLE VI – ELECTIONS

6.1 Candidates for election shall have been members for six months at time of elections.

6.2 Club officers shall be: President, Vice-President, Treasure, and Secretary.

6.3 Nominations for officers shall be made at the February, March meetings, with the election to be held at the March meeting at the close of nominations.

6.4 Officers shall be elected for a term of one year, commencing with the first regular meeting in April.

6.5 Vacancies may be filled by appointment by the President, subject to approval by the membership. Presidential vacancies may be filled by election only.

6.6 Any officer may be recalled by a vote of the majority of the whole membership. The membership shall be notified, in writing, of the time and place of any recall vote.

ARTICLE VII – DUTIES OF CLUB OFFICERS

7.1 The President shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, and enforce the Bylaws. The President will designate the Club web site editor, the Safety Officer, and may appoint committees.

7.2 The Vice-President will preside at all meetings, preserve order, and enforce the Bylaws in the absence of the President.

7.3 The Treasurer shall receive all monies due the club, and regularly deposit said monies, except petty cash, in the club checking account. Petty cash limit shall be kept less than $50.00. He shall keep an accurate and current record of all financial dealings of the club, and shall present an itemized report at each Regular Meeting which, when accepted, shall be included in the minutes.

7.4 The Secretary shall record the proceedings of all meetings in a record book for this purpose. He shall conduct the correspondence of the club, and shall retain a copy of all correspondence received by his/her office. Record books are to be purchased by the Club and passed down to each newly elected Secretary to provide a Club history.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS

8.1 Any member may recommend, and vote on a amendment to the Bylaws.

8.2 Amendments must be submitted to the Secretary in writing and shall be read and discussed at a Regular meeting. A vote shall be taken at the next Regular Meeting.

8.3 Adoption of amendments, changes in Club dues and setting limitations on Club Membership shall require a 2/3 majority vote in favor by the members present and voting with a quorum present. A quorum shall be one third of the club membership at the time of the vote.

ARTICLE IX – PERMANENT CLUB ACTIVITIES

9.1 The Club shall annually sponsor a city invitational event for the cities awareness, and open to all AMA chapters. To be held at a time and place as approved by the General Membership.

ARTICLE X – RULES OF CONDUCT

10.1 Members shall comply with the AMA Safety Code and Rules of Conduct.

10.2 1. All members shall conduct themselves in a courteous and sportsman like manner at all time. Any member not conforming to the rules of conduct will be called before the Grievance Committee for possible disciplinary action. The accused will be allowed to respond in defense.

2. The Grievance Committee shall consist of club officers plus three non-officer members appointed by the President.

3. If the Grievance Committee determines that a member violated the rules of conduct, they shall advise the offending member of their findings and that continued inappropriate or improper conduct will not be tolerated in the future.

4. If additional complaints of improper or inappropriate conduct are substantiated against a member then the Grievance Committee may recommend to the General Membership disciplinary action or sanctions up to and including the loss of membership privileges.

5. If a majority (2/3rds)of the General Membership voting at a regular meeting indorse the recommendations of the Grievance Committee the sanctions, disciplinary action or dismissal from the Club will become effective immediately, voting actions will be taken by secret ballot by a majority of 2/3rds present at the General Meeting. The President shall notify the affected member of the action taken by the membership. If the action is dismissal the Secretary shall remove the member's name from the Club Roster.

6. Any member receiving a grievance will be allowed the opportunity to defend their actions to the General Membership and Grievance Committee before said dismissal vote.

7. Any member receiving a Grievance, who directs any retaliation action against the person(s) filing said grievance, will be subject to immediate expulsion from the Club. This is to include threats, intimidation, physical harm, intentional equipment damage, or any other action deemed to be retaliatory by the Grievance committee.

ARTICLE XI – CLUB DISSOLUTION

11.1 1. If the club votes to disband in dissolution. The club bank account will be closed and the club funds will go toward a charity. The charity will be decided by a General Membership vote.

2. AMA will be notified of the dissolution by the current President or Vice President in writing within 30 days.

ARTICLE XII-THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

12.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of the elected Club Officers, the Club News Letter Editor, and the Club Safety Officer. All Club members in good standing may attend and participate in Executive Committee meetings.

12.2 The purpose of the Executive Committee shall be to recommend actions to the General Membership, plan activities, and other duties as directed by the President.

12.3 The President shall act as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

12.4 The Executive Committee shall conduct meetings monthly at a location and time determined by the Executive Committee.

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Club Grievance Form

Date _____ Time _____

Nature of Violation:

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Signature: _____

Witness: _____

Additional Witnesses (not required)

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