

**BY – LAWS
OF
C.D.F. WAGON TRAIN**

ARTICLE I

Title

The name of this organization shall be the C.D.F. WAGON TRAIN, and shall be located at any address within the State of California, and shall hereafter be known as “THE CLUB.”

ARTICLE II

Purpose

THE CLUB is a voluntary, unincorporated association formed for fraternal purposes and for the promotion of good fellowship among members of the California Forestry, both actively employed and retired.

- A) THE CLUB shall provide opportunities for the C.D.F.’rs and their families to enjoy good fellowship and pleasant use of their recreational vehicles at scheduled periods, to foster friendship among C.D.F.’rs and to set an example of courtesy on the highway and of model conduct at meeting sites, whether on public land or in private campgrounds.
- B)THE CLUB will conduct a CAMPOUT each year in conjunction with the California Forestry 25-Year Club as to location but separate membership requirements of that organization.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1 – THE CLUB shall be composed of Active and Retired members and spouses of the California Forestry.

Section 2 – Any permanent present/past or Retired employee of C.D.F. may become a member upon payment of dues.

Section 3 – The annual dues are \$5.00, payable to the Secretary/Treasurer by April 1 of each calendar year.

Section 4 – Honorary membership may be conferred by THE CLUB on any family member of a deceased active or retired member meeting aforesaid requirements.

Section 5 – When a member in good standing of THE CLUB dies, his/her spouse

shall automatically become an honorary member of THE CLUB, with no requirement to pay dues.

ARTICLE IV Administration and Officers

Section 1 – This CLUB shall be under the management and control of the Executive Committee, consisting of the Wagonmaster, Assistant Wagonmaster, Secretary/Treasurer, Reporter, Historian, and one Representative from each District in the State (Districts having the same boundaries of old C.D.F. Districts I, II, III, IV, V, and VI (Sacramento Headquarters is included in District III)). Each Representative shall be a member in good standing and an active member of THE CLUB. With the exception of the Reporter and Historian, the Executive Committee shall be elected at the annual meeting in April of each year. The Reporter and Historian shall be appointed by the Wagonmaster.

Section 2 – Should any vacancy occur in the membership of the Executive Committee, the Committee shall appoint a qualified, active member of THE CLUB for the duration of the term.

ARTICLE V Officers

Section 1 – The Wagonmaster shall act as the Chief Executive Officer and preside at all meetings of the members and the Executive Committee of the CLUB. He/She shall have general supervision of all the affairs of THE CLUB and shall have such other powers and duties as may properly belong to his/her office. He/She shall appoint a Reporter, Historian, and standing and special committees, such appointments to be concurrent with his/her term of office.

Section 2 – The Assistant Wagonmaster shall, in the absence of the Wagonmaster, perform all the duties of the Wagonmaster.

Section 3 – The Secretary/Treasurer shall have notice given of all meetings of the members of THE CLUB and of the Executive Committee and shall keep and maintain a complete and detailed record of the proceedings, maintain a current membership list and forward copy of same to the Wagonmaster. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be responsible for the safekeeping of all records belonging to THE CLUB. The Secretary/Treasurer shall receive all monies and expend as needed. The Wagonmaster, Assistant Wagonmaster, and Secretary/Treasurer will be designated as authorized signers of checks, any ONE of which must sign.

Section 4 – The Historian shall be responsible for photographs and narratives of meetings, caravan trips and other such activities as appropriate, and shall maintain a

photo file to be viewed by the membership at the annual meeting. Photos and narratives of such events should be forwarded to the Historian by any member.

Section 5 – The Reporter shall make notice of meetings, caravan trips, and such other activities of THE CLUB to the Communique and other media as appropriate, and shall make periodic newsletters for distribution to the membership. A news letter will be mailed periodically, giving information of upcoming events, describing the highlights of previous ones, planned activities such as pot-luck suppers, campfire sing-alongs, golfing, fishing, sight-seeing, etc. Members will not necessarily be expected to attend every outing, but can choose those convenient in time and location. Members are requested to send to the Wagon Tongue Reporter any news of interest to THE CLUB, such as personal experiences while trailering, campgrounds they can highly recommend or ones which should avoided, descriptions of campgrounds or recreation areas they've found to be worthwhile, etc. Photos would be appreciated also.

Section 6 – The District Representatives shall actively recruit new members, forwarding those members names to the Secretary/Treasurer. They shall be responsible for determining one particular R.V. Park for the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VI

Meetings

Section 1 – The annual meeting of THE CLUB shall be held in April of each year, to be held on the Saturday morning of the 25-Year Club activities.

Section 2 – A quorum of THE CLUB shall consist of not less than ten percent (10%) of the membership, who must be personally present. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of a simple majority.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments and Special Regulations

Section 1 – The members of THE CLUB shall have the power from time to time to make amendments to these by laws by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the membership present, but not before due notice of the proposed amendment(s) has been given to all members.

ARTICLE VIII

Caravans and Campouts

Section 1 – Anyone wishing to sponsor (arrange) a gathering in his/her area will be known as the Trail Boss for that event and should follow these guidelines.

- A. Check with the Wagonmaster for approval of the proposed date and place.
- B. Work out details such as site, fees, reservation requirements, campground facilities and regulations, directions to the campground, places of interest in the area, etc.

- C. If desired, arrange for activities such as tournaments (golf, horseshoes,) fishing, sightseeing, tours, campfire programs, pot-luck suppers, games, hikes, etc. Reserve any needed areas or facilities ahead.

Section 2 – Bringing Guests to Campouts – The intent of policy: In order for current CDF Wagon Train members to get full benefit of any campout facilities, guests should be kept to a minimum.

- A. A GUEST will be defined as a “Rig”.
- B. For individual persons, staying in member RVs, the member must call the Trail Boss of the campout for okay.

By-laws adopted at the regular meeting, April 14, 1984 at San Diego, California.

By-laws amendments adopted at the regular meeting, April 19, 1986, at Paso Robles, California.

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