# BY-LAWS THE GREAT RIVER ROOS

#### ARTICLE 1

#### Name/Mission Statement

Section 1: Name: The name of the organization shall be The Great River Roos,

- Chapter of Bounders United, Inc.
- Chapter of Fleetwood Motor Home Association (FMA)

This chapter shall be authorized to function in the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa.

Section 2: Mission Statement: The Great River Roos shall exist to provide social, recreational, and informational exchange activities for our club members.

# ARTICLE 3 MEMBERSHIP

To be eligible for membership, and to maintain membership in this Group, the prospective member must meet one of the following criteria:

- 1. Full member in good standing of the Bounders United, Inc. This includes the newly created Bounder United Associate Member which basically states if a member changes their motor home Brand/Model" they can stay/rejoin as a Bounder United Associate Member.
- 2. With our dual chapter status with the Fleetwood Motor Association (FMA) The Great River Roos will also accept membership with any Fleetwood Motor Home Model
- 3. The Great Roos will also accept membership of any "Brand/Model with a recommendation of one or more of our current members.

# ARTICLE 4 FISCAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall be October 1 through September 30. The organizational date of this chapter is September 1, 1992.

## ARTICLE 5 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating committee shall consist of not less that three (3) chapter members, in good standing, appointed by the President not less than sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled election.

#### ARTICLE 6

#### **AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS**

The By-Laws of The Great River Roos chapter of Bounders United, Inc., may be amended by a favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at a duly called meeting. Prior notice of at least thirty (30) days having been given of the proposition to amend. Balloting by mail may be undertaken when the proposed amendment is of such importance that the wishes of the maximum possible number of the chapter membership should be made known.

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## ARTICLE 7 DUES

- Section 1: The initiation fee, first year's dues and official membership badges shall be \$40.00 per motor home, and \$10.00 per year, per motorhome, thereafter. If they already have Bounders United, Inc., badges, the initiation fee will be \$10.00.
- Section 2: Dues are due October I yearly, regardless of when a member has joined during the initial year. (A member, who joins in August paying the first year dues, must pay dues for the next year that October 1.) Dues are considered overdue past October 1, and a member will become delinquent if dues are not paid before the end of the fiscal year, the following September 30.

## ARTICLE 8 BADGES

The official badge of The Great River Roos, purchased through the chapter Treasurer, shall be the only official badge. This badge should be worn at all chapter functions. Other badges, pins, awards, etc., may be worn in addition to the official badge.

### **ARTICLE 9**

#### **CHAPTER MEETINGS**

Section 1: Minimum number of chapter meetings in a year is one (1).

Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the President.

Section 2: The Bounder Beacon will publish the location of the monthly campouts.

### ARTICLE 10 HONORARY FFILIATE

Section 1: The qualifications to be an Honorary Affiliate of The Great River Roos chapter of Bounders United, Inc., are as follows:

- 1. Have been a member of this chapter in good standing.
- 2. No longer own a recreational vehicle of any type.
  - 3. Must be voted on at a regular meeting and approved by a majority vote.

Section 2: Benefits and stipulations:

- I. \$10.00 annual fee for new sletter.
- 2. Will receive the Bounder Beacon.
- 3. May attend all chapter functions, but must pay any fees.
- 4. Non-voting member.
- Section 3: Lifetime Honorary Affiliate status: Any Charter member who qualifies to become an Honorary Affiliate will no longer pay the \$10.00 annual fee for the newsletter as long as they are eligible because they do not own a recreational vehicle of any type.

#### BY-LAWS CONT. 3

## ARTICLE 11 ELECTIVE OFFICERS

Section 1: The elective officers of this chapter shall be: President, Vice-president/Wagon master, Secretary, Treasurer and National Director. Section 2: Elections and Terms:

- 1. These officers will be elected by a majority vote of the chapter membership voting for a two (2)-year term, commencing and terminating at the October rally meeting.
- 2. Elections will take place at the September meeting: President and Treasurer in even-numbered years and Vice-President/Wagon Master and Secretary in odd-numbered years.
- 3. All elective officers may serve up to two (2) consecutive terms, but must leave office for at least one (1) term before reelection to the same office.

Section 3: Duties of the elected officers shall be:

#### **PRESIDENT:**

- 1. .Shall oversee all operations of the chapter. '
- 2. Preside over all chapter meetings.
- 3. Write a monthly article for the Bounder Beacon newsletter.
- 4. Represent the chapter at all functions where required.
- 5. Appoint all committees.
- 6. Ex-officio member of all committees.
- 7. Sign checks in absence of the Treasurer.

#### **VICE PRESIDENT/WAGON MASTER:**

- 1. Preside over meetings when president is unable to attend.
- 2. Will assume Presidency if Presidential Chair becomes vacant.
- 3. Be in charge of all chapter equipment.
- 4. Oversee all campouts.
- 5. Maintain a calendar of future campouts including the hosts for each campout.
- 6. Develop and maintain some practical guidelines for hosting a campout.
- 7. Receive and maintain all information regarding campouts.
- 8. Will handle campout vendor relations pertaining to participation in a campout.

#### **SECRETARY:**

- 1. Record minutes of all chapter meetings, and publish them in the subsequent issue of the Bounder Beacon.
- 2. Notify the National Secretary of Bounders United, Inc., of our chapter election results including names, addresses, and telephone numbers.
- 3. Record minutes of officers' meetings, and mail a copy to each elective officer.
- 4. Maintain copies of the following:
  - A. Bounder Sounder
  - B. Bounder Beacon
  - C. Chapter minutes
  - D. Officer minutes
  - E. Membership roster
- 5. Receive correspondence, read at chapter meetings, and file.

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#### **TREASURER:**

- 1. Handle all monies of the chapter.
- 2. Keep accurate and appropriate records of the chapter finances.
- 3. Establish a bank account for savings and checking.
- 4. Collect all dues from members and deposit same.
- 5. Accept all monies paid to the chapter and deposit same.
- 6. Pay by check all bills incurred by the chapter.
- 7. Bills in amount of \$100.00 and over require approval of two (2) officers.
- 8. Keep a membership dues roster.
- 9. Upon receipt of initiation fees from new members, shall order and present new members with their official badges.
- 10. In absence of the Treasurer, President will sign checks.
- 11. The funds in The Great River Roos treasury shall be spent only for The Great River Roos functions and/or activities.

## ARTICLE 12 SPECIAL APPOINTIVE POSITIONS

Section 1: The positions of Sheriff, Historians, Sunshine Person, Bounder Beacon Editor and Correspondent to Bounder Sounder are to be appointed by the President within thirty (30) days of the election for two (2) years coinciding with the President's term. Each will give a report at each regular chapter meeting.

Section 2: Duties of these positions:

#### **SHERIFF:**

1. Shall fine any member twenty-five cents (\$0.25) who fails to wear their official membership badge at chapter functions.

#### **HISTORIANS**:

- 1. Shall maintain a pictorial and written history of this chapter.
  - A. Scrapbook
  - B. Member pictures
  - C. Member locations on map

#### **SUNSHINE PERSON:**

- 1. Upon being notified, a suitable card will be sent according to the following situations:
  - A. Happy occasions, such as weddings.
  - B. Member's illness.
  - C. Member's death.
  - D. Death in member's immediate family.

#### **BOUNDER BEACON EDITOR:**

- 1. Shall edit, print, and distribute the official newsletter of the chapter to all members and advertisers in good standing.
- 2. Shall send a copy to the Central District Vice-President of Bounders United, Inc.

#### **BOUNDER SOUNDER CORRESPONDENT:**

1. Shall submit monthly news articles relating to our chapter to the editor of the Bounder Sounder.

#### **ARTICLE 13**

## **Standing Committees**

These committees will consist of Auditing, By-Laws, and Membership

- 1. Committees shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members in good standing, appointed by the President to serve a two (2) year term concurrent with the President's term.
- 2. Appointments to be made within sixty (60) days after taking office.

#### **AUDITING COMMITTEE:**

1. Annually, during August, examine the books, operation, etc., with a written report given at the September meeting.

#### **BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:**

1. Monitor existing By-Laws, and recommend changes to keep By-Laws current.

#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

- 1. Handle all referrals for membership.
- 2. Develop a practical procedure for contacting new Bounder owners in our geographical area.

#### **ARTICLE 14**

Robert's Rules of Order Shall Apply.

REVISIONS:	July 18, 1998	
AMENDED:	June 10,2000	ARTICLE4
		ARTICLE 11, Section 2
	May 19, 2001	ARTICLE 7
		ARTICLE 10, Section 2
		ARTICLE 11, Section 3
	September 15, 2007	ARTICLE 7, Section 2
		ARTICLE 10, Section 3
		ARTICLE 11, Section 2
	June 13, 2009	ARTICLE 1, Sections 1 & 2
	,	ARTICLE 11, Section 3
	September 21, 2013	ARTICLE 1 Section 1
	September 21, 2013	ARTICLE 2
		ARTICLE 3
		ARTICLE 6
		ARTICLE 7, Section 1
		ARTICLE 11, Sections 2 & 3

ARTICLE 13