

The Villages Motor Racing Fan Club

Bylaws

January 20, 2026

I. CLUB OBJECTIVES

To provide a forum to share common interest in all forms of motor racing, provide funding to Florida racers and racing programs, support various charitable organizations, and maintain a positive social environment for the active membership through organized group events and activities on a regular basis.

II. MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

A. Membership shall be restricted to Villages residents only

1. Guests of active members may participate in activities.
2. Seasonal residents ("snowbirds") may be members and participate by paying regular dues.

B. Annual dues will be collected in January of each year. The annual dues will be set and may be adjusted as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. "Membership year" will run from January 1 through December 31. Dues will not be prorated. However, dues paid in November or December for new members or reinstated members will cover the member's dues for the subsequent calendar year. Dues will be used for general operating expenses of the club, including but not limited to: newsletters, stamps, office supplies, bank fees, refreshments and other expenses as directed by club officers.

C. Membership in good standing will entitle each registered person of household:

1. One vote on matters before the assembly
2. Priority for events that may be regulated by an outside agency (e.g., AAA day trips)

D. Dues uncollected as of the March meeting will constitute discontinuance of membership. Reinstatement will occur upon payment of current year's dues.

III. CLUB MEETINGS

- A. Meetings will be held monthly (excluding June, July, and August) at a time and place determined by the availability of space at a Villages facility.
- B. Two elected officers must be in attendance in order to conduct business requiring a vote.
- C. Topics brought before the assembly for a vote will be accepted or rejected by a simple majority vote of the members in good standing.
 - 1. EXCEPTION: Election of club officers will be by paper or voice ballot. In case of vacancies, see Section IV, Paragraph C below.

IV. OFFICERS

- A. Club officers will be elected by the general membership in good standing at the December meeting and will hold the following offices:
 - 1. President
 - 2. Vice President
 - 3. Secretary
 - 4. Treasurer
- B. An officer's term of service shall be three calendar years. Incumbents may be re-elected.
- C. Vacancies of the club officers will be filled at the monthly meeting following the vacancy by nominations from the floor and simple majority vote.

V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- A. President
 - 1. Presides over regular monthly meetings and meetings of the Board.
 - 2. Is authorized to sign checks and disburse money in Treasurer's absence.
 - 3. Appoints non-officer Board members and required committees.
- B. Vice President
 - 1. Acts as President, as needed, in the President's absence.
 - 2. Collaborates with the President in order to facilitate succession.
- C. Secretary
 - 1. Records minutes of regular and board meetings and timely distributes to board members for approval.
 - 2. Prepare ballots for the election of Officers.
 - 3. Prepares news releases for local press including meeting schedule, as needed.
 - 4. Sends various mailings: "get-well" cards; sympathy cards; speaker invitations; thank-you cards; etc.
 - 5. In the Secretary's absence, the President may assign those duties to another Board Member at that meeting.

D. Treasurer

1. Establishes and maintains a bank account.
2. Responsible for receipt and disbursement of duly authorized funds.
3. Prepares and presents monthly financial report to the Board.
4. Maintains records for annual audit each January.
5. In the Treasurer's absence, the President may assign those duties to another Board Member at that meeting.

VI. BOARD DUTIES

- A. The Board oversees the general running of the club and advises the membership of policy changes needing approval by vote.
- B. Receives Treasurer's records and accounts in January for audit. The audit will be presented to the membership for approval and filing.
- C. Establishes annual membership dues for the following year.
- D. Non-officer Board members are appointed by the President coinciding with the term of the President. Non-officer Board members may be reappointed.
- E. Non-officer Board positions may include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Sponsors Coordinator
 - b. Membership Coordinator
 - c. Newsletter Coordinator
 - d. Media Coordinator
 - e. Special Tours Coordinator
 - f. Car Shows Coordinator
 - g. Immediate Past President
 - h. Past President

VII. FINANCES

- A. Club checks will be signed by either the President or the Treasurer prior to disbursement.
- B. No part of any funds shall be disbursed to the benefit of any member, officer, chairperson or individual as compensation for services rendered to the club.
- C. No individual member or officer of the club shall be held liable for any obligations or debts of the club.