



*Rivière Seine River
Wildlife Association Inc.*
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RIVIERE SEINE RIVER WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION INC.

CONSTITUTION:

1. A) This association shall be known as the Riviere Seine River Wildlife Association Inc.

2. OBJECTS:

- A) To embrace in its membership all those persons in the district who have an interest in the conservation of animal, bird and fish life in the province of Manitoba.
- B) To study and disseminate knowledge of the wildlife in the province, and particularly to encourage the spread of such knowledge among young people.
- C) To promote and foster the conservation and utilization of all forms of wild game, regarding them as a trust for this and all succeeding generations.
- D) To assist constituted authority in every reasonable manner in the preservation of game and fish and in the enforcement of all laws and regulations affecting them.
- E) To find and maintain common ground for united or co-operative action between urban and rural residents in all matters affecting the care and conservation of game and fish.
- F) To associate itself on an agreed basis with other local bodies having like objects for the maintenance and operation of the Manitoba Wildlife Federation to represent the interests of sportsmen and to promote game and fish conservation throughout the province.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- A) Any person desiring to assist in the achievement of the objects herein stated may become a member on payment of the prescribed membership fee.
- B) Only members in good standing shall be eligible for office or have the right to vote at any meeting of the association.
- C) The annual membership shall be from January 1st to December 31st of the same year.
- D) Membership may be purchased from November 1st to February 28th only.
- E) Any resident of Manitoba in good standing may be a member.
- F) Any member or former member who has moved out of the province of Manitoba is eligible for membership.

G) Membership shall be revoked at any time by the executive if objectives of the association are not followed or met.

H) Four kinds of memberships may be purchased:

1. Single membership.
2. Family membership (includes spouse and all children up to & including age of 17).
3. Associate membership (must be a member of another association affiliated with Manitoba Wildlife Federation).
4. Junior membership (ages 12 to 17).

4. JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

A) Any person the age of 12 to 17 inclusively may be eligible for junior membership. A boy or girl under the age of 12 whose parents or guardian is a member of the association may be eligible for trophies at no extra cost.

B) This membership shall entitle the said member to join in discussions and enter competitions.

C) A boy or girl must be a junior member before joining the Junior Rifle Club.

D) This membership shall not include voting privileges or federation insurance.

5. FEES AND FINANCIAL YEAR

A) The membership fee shall be determined by the executive, payable after November 1st.

B) The financial year shall be from Jan 1st to December 31st.

6. OFFICERS

A) The RSRWA executive shall consist of 9 directors.

B) The executive shall consist of the following officers: President, Vice-President/Secretary, Treasurer, Game Chairman, Publicity Chairman, Activity Chairman, Membership Chairman, Fundraiser Chairman and Conservation Chairman.

C) Three of the nine directors whose term has expired as director shall be up for election at the annual meeting of the association.

D) All directors shall be elected by nomination from the floor and by majority vote at the annual meeting of the association.

E) The term of office for a director shall be for three years.

F) Executive officers shall be appointed by the board of directors.

G) In the case of a director's absenteeism of more than 50% of the executive meetings for any reason, the executive may, after having notified that director by written notice hold an election at a regular meeting, to replace that person, at any time of the year.

7. COMMITTEES

- A) Conducting the affairs of the association shall be in the hands of an executive committee which shall consist of the officers of the association.
- B) Five shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the executive.
- C) The chairperson of any committees, or executive directors have the privilege of calling for member volunteers or may approach any member to sit on his committee.

8. MEETINGS

- A) A meeting of the membership called the Annual Meeting shall be held in April of each year, at such a time in the month and at such a place that shall be decided upon by the executive.
- B) Special meetings of the membership may be called by the executive at any time or place for such purpose or purposes as may be stated by written notice of such meeting, mailed to all members in good standing at least 7 days prior to holding that special meeting.
- C) No business other than that stated in the notice of the meeting shall be considered at such special meeting except with the unanimous consent of all the members present.

9. AMENDMENTS

- A) This constitution may be amended at the annual meeting with an affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members in good standing present at such a meeting.
- B) Any amendments to the constitution shall be turned into the executive in writing 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

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DUTIES OF OFFICERS

10. PRESIDENT

- A) It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the association and of the executive and to exercise general supervision over the affairs of the association and the work of its committees.

11. VICE-PRESIDENT/SECRETARY

A) The Vice-President/Secretary shall act for the President in his/her absence and perform such duties as may be delegated to him/her by the President.

B) Keep a permanent record in a minute book provided for that purpose of the proceedings of the association and of the executive committee and conduct correspondence.

12. TREASURER

A) Present a written report and audited statement of account at the annual meeting.

B) Handle and deposit all monies collected by the association.

C) Disburse monies only as and when authorized by the executive committee and shall keep a correct account of all such disbursements.

D) The Treasurer shall give a Financial Report at each regular monthly meeting.

13. ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

A) Responsible for any social events such as Bar-B-Ques, Turkey Shoot, etc. (anything not pertaining to game)

B) Responsible for all movies, projectors, door prizes, refreshments, and speakers at the regular meetings.

C) Also be responsible for all the necessary arrangements for the annual wind-up.

14. FUNDRAISER DIRECTOR

A) Responsible for any local raffle, draws, etc.

B) Responsible for coordination/selling of MWF raffles.

15. GAME DIRECTOR

A) Responsible for all tournaments, competitions and activities pertaining to game, birds and fish.

B) Responsible to purchase and handle all trophies including the engraving at the executive's request.

C) Responsible to maintain, store, and distribute club's purchased ice auger.

16. PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

A) Responsible for all articles and pictures appearing in weekly and daily newspapers, and The

Outdoor Edge.

- B) Responsible for the newsletter and the notifications of regular, special and annual meetings.

17. MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

- A) Responsible for collecting all membership fees.
- B) Keep an up to date list of record of all registered members.
- C) Responsible for the annual membership campaign.

18. CONSERVATION DIRECTOR

- A) Responsible for all conservation projects.

19. COMPETITIONS

- A) Any rules for fishing events held by the association shall be formulated by the executive.
- B) Only one entry per RSRWA member can be entered within each current year in each competition as listed in 19-G11, 19-G12, 19-H1, 19-H2. Members must submit to any director on or before scoring night, a date stamped picture of each entry, and a signed entry form supplied by RSRWA.
- C) All big game, fish or bird entries must be harvested in Manitoba, within legal hunting or fishing seasons, and within areas established by the Department of Mines and Natural Resources, as published in the current Manitoba Hunting Guide, or the current Manitoba Fishing Guide.
- D) To be eligible and to qualify for any RSRWA Big Game club awards, the hunter must attach the following two pieces of documentation to the RSRWA Big Game entry form.
 - 1) Either actual, or picture of top part of current hunting license showing name, date, species, etc
 - 2) Date stamped picture of field dressed entryThe "head" portion of the license must be attached to the head being scored.
- E) To be eligible and to qualify for any RSRWA Fish club awards, the angular must include the following two pieces of documentation with the RSRWA Fish entry form.
 - 1) Date stamped picture of fish entry
 - 2) Valid fishing license # recorded on entry form.
- F) To be eligible and qualify for any RSRWA Bird club awards, the hunter must include a date stamped picture of bird entered to the RSRWA Big Game entry form.
- G) Big Game Competition Rules:
 - 1) Only members of RSRWA are eligible to enter in club's Big Game, Fish or Bird competitions.
 - 2) The RSRWA board of directors reserves the right to disqualify any entry that does not adhere to the constitution, fair chase and RSRWA Big Game Competition rules.

- 3) Entries in the RSRWA Big Game Competition must be entered in these competitions by only one person.
- 4) The largest head submitted in the deer competitions, regardless if TYPICAL or NON-TYPICAL, may be eligible, with a receipt from a taxidermist for a cash amount up to \$300.00. Head may be taken to the taxidermist of your choice.
- 5) In the Deer categories, each head may be scored as typical or non-typical. A NON-TYPICAL head must score 15 points or greater than a TYPICAL head for the highest score in its class.
- 6) In a situation where an animal could be scored either TYPICAL or NON-TYPICAL, the hunter has the right to choose which way he wants his head scored.
- 7) In the deer competitions for, archery, muzzle-loader, and rifle, all entries will be scored as “typical” to win in their respective classes.
- 8) A prize is awarded to the most even and most uneven deer head in competition. Deer must have a minimum of three points per side to be eligible.
- 9) Entries of antlers in velvet will not qualify for the RSRWA Big Game Club Competitions.
- 10) Entries scored prior to RSRWA scoring night are eligible for awards, provided the head was scored by an official MBGTA scorer. A copy of the original signed score sheet complete with current and valid hunting license for that species, a completed RSRWA entry form, and a date stamped picture must be submitted to a director on or before the RSRWA scoring night.
- 11) Categories for Big game Competition are as follows: Elk, Moose, Bear-Rifle, Bear-Archery, Deer-Rifle-Typical, Deer-Archery, Deer-Muzzle-loader, Deer-Non Typical, and CCBG Caribou.
- 12) Categories for Bird Competitions are : Canada Goose and Wild Turkey
- 13) Nuisance bears shot on special permits are not eligible for RSRWA awards.
- 14) Junior category: Bear and Deer: Archery, Muzzle-loader or Rifle. If this is the highest club score, entry will automatically be entered and recorded in Big Game category listed in 19-G11.
- 15) If there is a Junior entry and no Junior award category, then that entry will be entered in Big Game Competitions listed in 19-G11.

H) Fishing competitions:

- 1) Junior fishing category: Walleye, Northern Pike , Channel Catfish, Small-Mouth Bass, Perch.
- 2) Adult fishing category: Walleye, Northern Pike, Channel Catfish, Small-Mouth Bass, Lake Trout.

Note:

- Any fish caught during club sponsored events will be eligible for club awards.
- If event is held on “family free fishing” weekend .. no license is required
- If a youth legally catches the biggest club fish, not listed in the youth category but is listed in the adult category, it will be entered in adult category.

20. FINANCES

- A) The executive committee shall, from time to time decide upon and instruct the Treasurer as to the handling of the associations funds, the establishing of a bank account, signatures on cheques, and all such matters affecting the financial affairs of the association.
- B) No liability shall be incurred by the association except on the order or instruction of the executive committee only recorded in the minutes of the regular meetings.

21. TROPHY AWARDS

- A) Trophy event shall consist of presenting, members any winning trophies for any competition held during that year.
- B) Club members who are in the Taxidermy business may be asked to supply mounts for display on trophy night. Members having mounts may also display them if they wish.
- C) Those displaying mounts are responsible for delivering and removing the mount to the place where the trophy event is being held. Mounts must be delivered early in the morning of the day that the trophy night is held to allow plenty of time to set up the display.
- D) The association will not be held responsible for any damage or loss of any mounts, should it occur.

Dated April 29, 2021, at La Broquerie, Manitoba

Signed: President Dave Martel
Secretary Michelle Martel