

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES AND CONSTITUTION BY THE COMMITTEE. Committee Members: Christa Griffin, Tom Denehy, Deb Ryan, Karen Sullo, Judith Doherty

First we want to thank all members that took the time to provide feedback to the Committee. It was greatly appreciated. Note there will be time at the next meeting to answer any questions members have and to discuss any particular amendment. After the next meeting any adjustments will be made and the full document will be voted at the following meeting.

### HOUSE RULES

1. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children at all times. **Children** are not to be left unsupervised unless they are attending an activity for which the Club provides the supervision. Parents are to assume responsibility for their children prior to and following such activities.
2. **No dogs** are allowed on the property except those in transit status between Members' cars, and their boats. Dogs in transit status shall be leashed.
3. ~~The East Room of the Clubhouse shall be reserved for Members and adult guests only. Children are not permitted in the East Room.~~ Furnishings in the East room are not to be removed without permission of the House Committee.
4. **Main Room**—Director Chairs ~~in this room~~ may be moved to the lawn area of the Club. These chairs shall be returned to the Main Room before the Member using them leaves the Club. No chairs or other furnishings shall be taken to the pier, floats, or boats.
5. The **Galley** is available for use by the Members and their guests. Members using the refrigerator are to remove all their food and drink items when their use of the club ends. Food and drink items left in the refrigerator ~~more than 24 hours can~~ will be removed and discarded by the Club. Members and their guests may consume alcoholic beverages on Club Property subject to all applicable laws. Alcoholic beverages must be under the control of the Member at all times. Unsupervised alcoholic beverages will be removed and discarded by the Club. The Cabinets and drawers on the inside wall of the Galley are for use by the Entertainment Committee only. Members are expected to leave the Galley in a clean, ship shape condition. ~~Children are not allowed in the Galley during club functions.~~
6. The **Furnace and Storage Room** are for the storage of the Club equipment and supplies only. Members are not to store personal property in or remove items from these rooms without the permission of the House Committee.
7. The **Shower Room** is for use by Members and guests. People using the shower

are to leave it clean, and remove all wet towels and clothing from the interior of the Club when they are finished using the shower.

8. **Rubbish** shall be deposited in the containers provided by the Club or in the dumpster. ~~Mixed r~~Rubbish from boats is to be deposited in the dumpster **only and not in recycle bins..in the parking lot.**

9. The **Main Gate** shall be kept locked at all times. Other gates are not to be opened by Members without the approval of the House Committee.

10. The last Member leaving the property shall see that all lights are turned off and the doors and the main gate are locked.

11. No changes, alterations, removal or additions to the Club structure or furnishings shall be made without **vote of the majority of members attending a membership meeting where request is made unless previously approved in the annual budget.** ~~the approval of the House Committee.~~

12. Guests arriving by boat - see **Mooring and Services Policy for Transient Boats.**

13. Parking – see **Parking Regulations**

14. Request for **private use** of the Club shall be by letter or email (preferred) to the Secretary of the Club. The request shall state the date and time period required together with the number of people expected. No private function will be allowed during the period between *the second Monday of May and the third Monday of October.*

**MOORING AND SERVICES POLICY**  
(Revised March 2000, April 2002, May 2020)

**TRANSIENTS**

Upon arrival, each boat, shall register with the launch operator. Boat name, captain, address, telephone, club affiliation, number of persons on board, time of arrival, estimated time of departure and fee shall be recorded. Launch will supply this information to Executive Committee or secretary for filing a minimum of monthly.

~~The launch operator or House Committee Member on duty will have charge of the shower.~~

Moorings of Members not being used for one or more days may be used by the Boat Club with the owner's permission. Notice should be given to the Launch Drivers of availability and dates.

## PARKING REGULATIONS

(Revised March 2000)

Parking in the Satuit Boat Club Parking Lot is for Members with Permit only.

*One numbered parking permit will be issued annually to each Member or family. The number will be recorded with the Member's name. The permit will be transferable from one car to another, but only cars with a valid parking permit will be allowed in the lot. It is suggested that Members arriving early please use the paved town lot beside the club. This will allow late arriving Members a chance to get in the Club's lot. Do not park in spaces for trailers, as you will be ticketed.*

Inform your expected guests that parking is for *Members only* and make appropriate arrangements. This applies to racing crews also.

A distinction is made between '*single night*' overnight parking and '*multi-night*'. Members are always encouraged to avoid all overnight parking by making arrangements to be dropped off and picked up. Occasional '*single night*' parking is acceptable. ~~and requires signing the Overnight Parking Register.~~ '*Multi-night*' parking is strictly prohibited; ~~cars will be towed at owner's expense.~~

## FLOAT REGULATIONS

(Revised March 2000, April 2002)

The Satuit Boat Club pier, ramp, and floats are for the use and convenience of Members and their guests only. Due to physical limitations and the size of the Membership, the following regulations have been promulgated by the Executive Committee for both safety and availability:

1. The launch operators are full time, seasonal employees of the Club and as such, are charged with the responsibility of communicating these regulations, monitoring their compliance, and reporting promptly any violations to the Executive Committee. -Members are strongly urged to cooperate with them in the execution of their appointed duties. -
2. No overnight tie up allowed ~~without the approval of Floats Chairperson and notification to the launch driver on duty.~~ During weekends (noon Friday to 8pm Sunday) or holiday periods, yacht tie up to the floats are limited to 30 minutes and yachts must be attended.
3. When the barricade marked "CLOSED" is in place at the head of the ramp, all persons are to remain off the floats for reasons of safety and yacht tie up is prohibited.
4. ~~The zone marked in red on the offshore westerly side of the floats is at all times reserved for the exclusive use of the launch.-~~
5. ~~The zone marked in yellow on the offshore southerly side of the floats is at all times reserved for pick up and delivery with tie uptime restricted to 5 minutes.-~~
6. Both hoses provided on the floats are to be shut off and coiled after using. Return the cart to the Club House next to the ~~ice machine lockers.~~ It must not be left on the floats.
7. No swimming or fishing is permitted from the floats.
8. Children under 12 years of age are not permitted on the floats without adult supervision and non-swimmers should wear PFD's.
9. It is the responsibility of all Members to register in advance any guests coming aboard by sea and not accompanied by a Member. Registration log is kept by the launch operator.-
10. Tenders must be a design known as a dinghy, pram, or rowboat: be 12 feet or less overall and less than 200 lbs. displacement with no outboard protrusions. They must be provided with adequate chafing or fendering gear if not inflatables. ~~Executive Committee should make periodic review and ensure there are fenders on hard dinghys and all dinghys have an authorized boat club sticker.~~ Sailing gear and outboard motors must be removed from dinghies or left with a bucket covering the lower unit of tipped-up outboards when they are left and painters must be rigged to allow 105 feet of free line.
11. Tenders are to attach a current SBC sticker indicating the season's dinghy fee has been paid and they should be prominently marked with the owner or vessel name.
12. Tenders are to be tied ~~on the floats nearest to the beach to the designated float~~ and are not to be stored upon the floats themselves.
13. ~~Owners of t~~Tenders which, in the opinion of the Float Committee, are improper due to size or lack of ID or ~~tenders~~ that are causing damage to the property of others, will be removed to the concrete pad north of the Clubhouse. Nothing in these rules shall be

construed to mean they take precedence over the exercise of good seamanship and the protection of life and property should circumstances dictate alternate actions or procedures.

- 14.No modifications or changes shall be made to the floats or ramp without permission of the Float Chairman.

## CONSTITUTION

(Revised March 2000, April 2002, April 2006,  
September 2007, and August 2017)

### Article I: Name & Location

The name of the club shall be **Satuit Boat Club Inc., 66 Jericho Road, Scituate, Massachusetts.**

### Article II: Purpose

The Satuit Boat Club is a non-profit organization, operated for the purpose of furthering knowledge and skill in handling power and sailboats while cruising, day sailing or racing; to emphasize rights and privileges under maritime law and to teach safety precautions needed to prevent accidents on or in the water; to render assistance to others in trouble on the water whenever possible.

### Article III: Officers

The Officers of the Club shall be ranked as follows: **Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer.**

### Article IV: Duties of Officers

It shall be the duty of the **Commodore** to take command of the squadron, to preside at all meetings and to enforce all regulations of the Club. *It shall be the duty of the Commodore to ensure New members are introduced to the Membership at first meeting following and to ensure new member attends 3 regular club meetings and reviews various committees and selects one in which to participate. It is the duty of the Commodore to present for approval by membership any and all contracts being signed on behalf of the club by the Officers that exceed \$5,000 that are not in an approved budget. Club membership should be presented with copies of contracts prior to meeting for review. The Commodore should ensure all meetings are developed and followed based on those elements of Robert's Rules that make sense in our situation. Format of meetings should be one that encourages member participation and decision-making and include discussion and voting on issues. Advance distribution of meeting agenda, quorums, detailed meeting minutes, discussion of Old and New topics and committee reports should be included.*

The Commodore should be well-informed and enforce the required duties of each EC member.

~~The Commodore may appoint a **Fleet Captain** who shall arrange and conduct all cruises and fleet rendezvous, and take command of these events, as directed by the Commodore.~~

It shall be the duty of the **Vice Commodore** to assist the Commodore in the discharge of the Commodore's duties and to officiate in the Commodore's absence. In addition, the Vice Commodore will make all arrangements for and have full control of all activities relating to the launch. The Vice Commodore shall prescribe and enforce rules for the proper operation of the launch, subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

It shall be the duty of the **Rear Commodore** to assist the Commodore and the Vice Commodore in the discharge of their duties and to officiate in their absence. In addition, the Rear Commodore will serve as Physical Equipment Manager and provide equipment budget recommendations to the Junior Sailing Chairperson, ~~and oversee Pay or Play.~~

It shall be the duty of the **Secretary**:

1. To keep all minutes of the Club in a book provided for that purpose and to have the custody of all reports and documents connected with the proceedings of the Club, and to deliver the Original copy of this book to the subsequent Secretary.
2. To keep a roll of the Members, together with a date of their admission and to take attendance at each meeting.
3. To keep a record of the Members discharged from this club stating cause of discharge.
4. To conduct correspondence of the Club and to issue notices of the meetings.
5. In the case of inability to attend any meeting, the Secretary shall cause the necessary books and papers to be conveyed to the place of the meeting.
6. The Secretary shall make a written report at the Annual Meeting.
7. To notify Member elects of their election and furnish them with a copy of the Club Book
8. The Secretary must be a resident of the State of Massachusetts in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth.
9. ~~The Secretary will ensure all questions of membership that are not answered at a meeting are noted in the minutes for a followup response to membership no later than following meeting.~~
10. ~~Any election results should be published in meeting minutes.~~
11. ~~The Secretary shall ensure that all votes taken at meetings include membership in attendance as well as members who participate via the zoom call. You must be physically present at the meeting or on the zoom call of that meeting to vote.~~



It shall be the duty of the **Treasurer**:

1. To receive and deposit all monies in the name of the Satuit Boat Club, Inc. Said deposits to be made in the bank or Trust Company approved by the Executive Committee.
2. To pay all expenses authorized in the manner specified under Article 5.
3. To be responsible for recording ~~and~~ in a journal, an accounting of ~~for~~ all monies received and paid.
4. To notify the Executive Committee, of Members in arrears in payment of dues.
5. To present at each regular meeting a detailed report showing receipts and disbursements. ~~This report should be a descriptive line item detail, that clearly shows by category all income and expenses.~~
6. To present at the Annual Meeting, a statement showing receipts, disbursements, assets and liabilities for the year for each committee (department) of the Club.
7. ~~The Treasurer shall monitor the status of Provisional Memberships and insure that they request in writing any change in their membership status in accordance with the requirements of Article XIV.~~
8. The treasurer shall declare within 90 days of each fiscal year end that the year's ~~taxes~~ have been filed. State how much taxes was paid, if any. Have a copy of the filing of the year's taxes for review by the membership. If an extension is necessary, a copy of the extension must be available for review at the above mentioned meeting and followup must be reviewed at each meeting until that year's taxes are complete.
9. The Treasurer will ensure that contracts for yearly services are awarded based on review of a minimum of two quotes, including but not limited to club cleaning contracts and club insurance coverage. Work/contracts should be re-bid at least every two years.

If any of the Officers cannot attend a meeting, a report from the absent Officer must be provided to the Secretary and read by the Commodore or Secretary.

It is the responsibility of the Officers in conjunction with working with the Executive Committee to establish pay or play opportunities for membership to be able to participate in pay or play. Pay or play is to be controlled on line, with signup ahead of time and with organizer having list of members attending. Each Committee has the opportunity to have specific people on a specific job as makes sense while offering other pay or play opportunities as required.

## **Article V: Executive Committee**

- I. There shall be an **Executive Committee** composed of the foregoing officers, plus the Chairperson of the Junior Sailing Committee, House, Float, Entertainment, and Race Committees. It shall be the **duty** of each Executive Committee Member to attend all regular and special Club meetings. ~~If anyone on the Executive Committee cannot attend, a report from the absent Executive Committee member must be provided to the Secretary and read by the Commodore or Secretary.~~
- II. Subject to the limitations noted herein, the Executive Committee shall have entire

**authority** in the management of the affairs and finances of the Club, including general control of all the Club's property. Any unbudgeted, unapproved expenses over "\$5k" not in the approved Annual Budget must be brought to membership for approval. The Executive Committee has no right to enter into any agreement or contract that could be construed as having an adverse impact on the use of the club by the membership.

III. The Executive Committee shall have the **power** to elect new Members in the manner hereinafter provided and to suspend, following due process, any Member for conduct gravely improper and prejudicial to the interests of the Club, and to reinstate such members. Due process requires that the member be given a hearing with the Committee and that a written warning be given prior to enacting suspension.

IV. It shall be the **duty** of the **Executive Committee**:

1. To propose to the Membership at the first regular meeting after the annual meeting: (Note-pay or play should not have been increased without the EC making a proposal to the membership).
  - a) A financial operating budget for the Club, including, a budget for each operating Committee (department), and a budget for capital improvements, if warranted.
  - b) Annual dues, initiation fee, and Membership limit.
  - c) To establish and oversee the Pay or Play policy.
2. To assure that the accounts of the Treasurer are audited whenever such request is passed by a two-thirds vote of the Members present at any regular meeting.
3. To hold at least ~~six~~seven meetings per year, ~~which meetings shall not occur longer than 60 days apart~~. At least five Executive Committee Members must be present to constitute a quorum. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of their proceedings and present at each meeting of the Club a report of their minutes.
4. The Executive Committee shall post all rules & regulations, ~~Changes to Rules and Regulations require membership vote of two thirds of the members present. and has the right to change any rule or regulation. Membership shall be advised of any such changes at the next Membership meeting.~~

Members may attend/listen-in to all EC meetings and any personal member issues discussed will occur at end of EC meeting without full membership access. This means that any member could sit in the clubhouse during an EC meeting provided that they did not speak unless asked to. If EC meeting is remote, access will be provided to membership via internet. –

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#### **Article VI: Standing Committee**

The Chairpersons of Standing Committees shall be elected by the Members of the Club and added committee members shall be appointed by the Executive Committee. In Committee voting, the majority shall rule and a majority shall constitute a quorum.

Standing Committees shall submit budget proposals for the next year to the Executive Committee by the date established by the Executive Committee.

#### **Article VII: Race Committee**

There shall be a **Race Committee** with the **Race Committee Chairperson** having full control and management of all regattas, races and similar activities of the Club. The

Race Committee Chairperson shall also serve as the Club's Official Representative on the Scituate Sailing Institute's Board of Directors.

It shall be the duty of the **Measurer**, who shall be appointed by the Commodore, to keep records of all ratings and verify measurements where required.

It shall be the duty of the race committee chair person to update the Horace Day and Chowder Race plaques with the SBC member having the best finish time.

It shall be the duty of the ~~Fleet Captain~~ Entertainment Committee, ~~who shall be appointed by the Commodore~~, to propose and arrange and conduct all any SBC cruises ~~and~~ fleet rendezvous if any, ~~and to take command of these events, as directed by the Commodore.~~

### **Article VIII: Entertainment Committee**

There shall be an **Entertainment Committee** who shall make all the arrangements for and have full control of entertainment for the Club. ~~The Rear Commodore shall chair this committee.~~

The costs of special entertainment ordered by the Club shall be supported by additional appropriations.

### **Article IX: House Committee**

There shall be a **House Chairperson** committee who may appoint a House Committee, which shall care for and maintain all Club property not specifically assigned to the jurisdiction of other committees.

The House Committee shall enforce rules for the maintenance and upkeep of all the Club property. The Committee shall post and enforce a series of House Rules for conduct and operations around the building, pier, and grounds, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. Members who fail to abide by the House Rules may be asked to appear before the Executive Committee.

The House Committee shall ensure that cleaning contract for the club is a bid process and that the company retained is performing the duties as outlined in the contract.

### **Article X: Float Committee**

There shall be a **Float Chairperson** who may appoint a Float Committee who shall care for and plan the placements of the floats, gangways and waterborne equipment, excluding the Club launch. The Committee shall prescribe rules for the use and operation of all Club property under its ~~their~~ jurisdiction. Violation of the rules may result in appearance by the offending party(ies) before the Executive Committee. ~~The House Committee being responsible for signage will provide the Float Committee with a 30 minute dock tie up sign.~~

### **Article XI: Junior Sailing Committee**

There shall be a **Junior Sailing Chairperson** who shall appoint a **Junior Sailing Committee** who shall make all the arrangements for and have full control of the Junior Sailing Program. They shall prescribe and enforce rules for the proper conduct of all participants in this program, in accordance with established house Rules, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Article XII: Advisory Board Committee. Ex Flag Officers automatically become part of an "Advisory Board"; after their time on the executive committee. When a midterm position opens an Advisory Board member would volunteer for the remainder of the term, stepping down the following election, and elections would proceed as normal for the next term.

Article XIII: Technology Committee. This committee is responsible for our website, Google account, the internet, TV, phone, door locks, and video security system.

At each meeting it is the explicit duty of the EC and Chairpersons of Standing Committees to name those members who volunteered their time and describe what they did for the committee/club during the previous month and thank them.

#### **Article XIVH: Elections**

The Officers, Executive, and Standing Committee Chairpersons shall be elected by ballot at the August Meeting, and be installed at the Annual Meeting. The Bridge Officers and Committee Chairs will serve two consecutively years in their respective offices. The expiration dates of those years may or may not be concurrent with other members of the Bridge or Chairs. There shall be a **Nominating Committee** appointed at the regular June meeting. It shall consist of five Members, ~~three-two~~ of who shall be appointed by the Commodore and the other ~~twothree~~ shall be elected from the floor. ~~They will~~ Prior to preparing and presenting to the Secretary, candidates for the various offices, ~~the open positions and their duties will be put out to membership to give all members a chance to seek nomination by sharing their interest with the Nominating Committee-~~ Nominating Committee members will be members who do not wish to be nominated for a position.

They shall certify as candidates for the office, any Member or members in good standing, ~~who in their judgment qualify.~~

They shall report nominations to the Secretary of the Club not later than July 1st.

The Secretary of the Club, on receipt of the report, shall immediately notify the nominees of their selection by the Committee. Unless a written declination is filed with the Secretary of the Club, they will be considered as the nominees for the office and their names shall appear on the ballot. The Secretary shall notify the Members in writing of the names on the slate 20 days before the August meeting. Any eligible Member of the Club can stand as a candidate for elective office ~~upon notification to the Secretary of the Club at least ten days before the August meeting., provided ten regular Members petition the Secretary of the Club to that effect at least ten days before the August meeting.~~ The Secretary shall have the names of the Member(s) placed on the ballot.

The roll of the Membership shall be used as a checklist in balloting. Candidates receiving the largest number of votes cast shall be declared elected.

The Officers thus elected shall hold office until the installation of a new Bridge at the next Annual Meeting.

If any Flag Officer fails to or is unable to perform the specific charged duties for any reason, the position shall be filled on a temporary basis by ~~a person on the Advisory Board, at the discretion of the Executive committee within "21 Days" until an election can be held. Ex Flag Officers automatically become part of an "Advisory Board"; after their time on the executive committee, when a midterm position opens an Advisory Board member would volunteer for the remainder of the term, stepping down the following election, and elections would proceed as normal for the next~~

term.

At the next regular meeting, a full successor shall be nominated by the General membership. At the succeeding regular meeting an election shall be held from the Nominees to fill the remainder of the term. If any other member of the Executive committee fails to or is unable to perform the specific charged duties a successor shall be appointed by the Executive Committee for the unexpired term.

### **Article XVIII: Meetings**

There shall be a minimum of ~~six~~seven regular meetings each year with no regular meetings to be scheduled at intervals of less than 21 days, no more than one per calendar month. Time and place ~~is to be the Satuit Boat Club house or as determined by the Executive Committee if this is not possible.~~ The Secretary is to notify Members at least seven days in advance of a regular meeting. The Annual Meeting shall be one of those regular meetings and will be held the second Monday of September. A quorum shall be attendance in person of ten (10) voting Members, in addition to the Executive Committee each of whom shall have one (1) vote. Only 50 percent of the Executive Board members present may count toward the quorum.

Special meetings may be called by the Commodore or in response to a request of ten Members. ~~The EC must schedule and hold the Special Meeting within 21 days of request. Special Meetings do not constitute an additional meeting or count towards the no more than one meeting per calendar month.~~ At special meetings, no business shall be transacted except that stated in the call for the meeting. A quorum shall be attendance in person or by written proxy of ten voting Members, each of who shall have one vote.

### **Article XVIIV: (amended June 1998) Membership**

Candidates for ~~Provisional~~ Membership must apply in writing and must be sponsored in writing by two Regular Members of the Club. The candidates must be personally known by the sponsors. Priority will be given to applicants who are children of current members. Prior members who resigned in good standing must re-apply in writing. No initiation fee will be assessed to prior members returning to Regular Membership status.—

The name and address of any person proposed for membership, and the names of listing sponsors, must be announced (~~mailed~~) to the Membership in the next monthly bulletin, at least one week before action is taken on such proposal. Any communication in support or opposition to such candidate must be made to the Secretary. All proceedings of the Executive Committee upon any proposal for membership and all communications received relating thereto shall be regarded as confidential and shall not be disclosed except to state the Committee's final action thereof.

Election to ~~Provisional~~, Associate, and Regular Membership by the Executive Committee shall be by ballot and two negative votes shall prevent election. No person shall be elected unless receiving affirmative vote of at least five Members.—

Membership in the Club in the case of married couples is understood to be a **Family Membership**. A Family Membership is defined as a couple with equal rights and privileges of Regular Membership to both except that they will have only one vote. In the event of divorce, both parties are eligible to apply for independent

Membership with no initiation fee assessed to either party. The Executive Committee must receive from one or both parties a written request for said membership not more than 630 days from the final divorce decree.

If election results in a Membership in excess of the Club's membership limit, then no new Members shall be elected until the Membership has reduced to the Club's Membership limit. This pertains to the regular member or previous member who resigned in good standing, to seek re-admission, or to accommodate the election to Regular Membership of any person who was previously entitled to membership privileges as a spouse. Membership will be allowed to increase in these circumstances with no other new members being added until we are below membership level again.—

Children of Members between the ages of 12 – 21 shall have use of the Club's facilities with parental permission. They must adhere to all club rules and regulations, without adult supervision.

There are to be the following classifications of Members: ~~Provisional and~~ Regular. ,Associate, Life, Inactive Life and Honorary. Membership targets for these classifications will be set by the Executive Committee subject to the approval of the Club. Any member currently in Provisional will move out of Provisional during the appropriate timeframe. There will be no further Active Life or Semi-Active Life members added to the membership.



## PROVISIONAL MEMBER

- ~~1. Has the right to one vote.—~~
- ~~2. Upon payment of the initiation fee and dues, has the right to full use of the facilities including guest privileges when the Member is present.—~~
- ~~3. Shall not have the right to sponsor or hold elective office.—~~
- ~~4. May either apply for Regular Membership after one dues year and after attending three (3) regular meetings during said year, or may continue as a Provisional Member for one additional dues year. This intent must be expressed in writing to the Secretary, before the end of the first year. Such continuance may result from either failure to apply for or failure to be accepted for Regular Membership. The Provisional Member must attend three (3) regular meetings during the second year. Application for Regular Membership may be made before the end of this second Provisional year. Application must be made in writing. Failure to apply or be accepted will result in termination of membership.—~~
- ~~5. A provisional member shall be required to participate in two work parties per year or pay the alternative fee as set forth by the Executive Committee.—~~
- 6. Must serve on one of the committees the first 2 years of membership. (Comment - how many current provisional members served on one of our committees in the first two years of their membership?)—**

## REGULAR MEMBER

1. Shall have been a Provisional Member for at least one dues year and have applied, in writing, for Regular Membership.
2. Has full use of the facilities of the Club including guest privileges when the Member is present.
3. Has the right to one vote.
4. May hold elective office and sponsor new Members.
5. A Regular member shall be required to participate in two work parties per year or pay the alternative fee as set forth by the Executive Committee.
6. Should attend the annual meeting in September, and the Annual Budget meeting.

## LIFE MEMBER

1. Shall have been a Regular dues paying Member for a minimum of twenty (20) years, and the sum of Member's years of age plus dues years shall equal at least eighty. The dues years need not be consecutive. Additional years will be awarded toward the sum of years and age for Executive Committee service at a rate of two (2) years for a minimum of each 6 years served on the Executive Committee. Years served on the Executive Committee need not be consecutive. **This (2) years can be added to member years or age.**
2. Transfer to Life Membership is not automatic. Member must apply to the Executive Committee in writing for transfer.
3. Any Member may become a Life Member by a prepayment of dues to that date at which the Member would become eligible for life Membership under Provision 1

of this section. Such prepayment shall consist of the requisite number of year's dues at the current rate for annual dues at the time of payment.

4. All Life Members are required to pay assessments made on all Club Members. Life Members will designate to the Secretary in writing one of the following classifications of their choice. Choices remain operative for at least one dues year, and will automatically apply to subsequent dues years unless notification of a different choice is made in writing to the Secretary.

~~**ACTIVE LIFE MEMBER**—An Active Life Member will pay one half of the current year's dues and is entitled to full use of the Satuit Boat Club facilities. This includes mailings, all float related services, dinghy space, and launch service. Any services that require separate fees will be paid at the full current rate. An active life Member in good standing will also have one vote per family. No further Active Life Members will be added to the club's membership. Previous Active Life Members are recategorized as Life Members. —~~

~~**SEMI-INACTIVE MEMBER**—A Semi-Inactive Life Member will pay a fee of \$75.00 per year and is limited to basic privileges. These privileges include all mailings, the use of the Club House and the grounds of the Club. It does not include any other services. A Semi-Inactive Life Member in good standing will also have one vote per family. (We currently have none correct?)—~~

**INACTIVE LIFE MEMBER** – An Inactive Life Member will pay no dues or fees with privileges limited to mailings **and attendance at club events**. It does not include any other services. An Inactive Life Member will not have a vote.

## HONORARY MEMBER

Any Member whom the Club may wish to honor may be elected an Honorary Member at a regular meeting, provided that notice thereof has been previously submitted to the Executive Committee for their approval by a vote of seven eighths of the Membership present. Such Honorary Member shall have no voice at a Club meeting and shall have no equity in any of the Club property. They shall hold no office nor have the privilege of sponsoring.

## ASSOCIATE MEMBER

1. Children of Regular and Life Members who wish to utilize the Club facilities on their own after the age of 21 must apply for an Associate Membership.
2. No initiation fee will be required to become an Associate Member.
3. The annual dues for an Associate Member will be one third (1/3) of the Regular Member dues.
4. An Associate Member will have all of the rights and privileges of a Regular Member.
5. An Associate member shall be required to participate in two work parties per year or pay the alternative fee as set forth by the Executive Committee.
6. ~~By~~ At age 25, the Associate Member must ~~either~~ convert to a Regular Membership. ~~or revert to the status of a Category 1 guest.~~
7. Upon converting to a Regular Membership, one half (1/2) of the cumulative dues previously paid will be applied against the then current initiation fee for Regular Membership. The "new" Regular Member will then proceed to pay the Regular Membership annual dues.
8. If the number of Associate Members converting to Regular Membership at any one time results in a Membership in excess of the Club's Membership limit, then no new Members shall be elected until the Membership has reduced to the Club Membership limit.

Each ~~Provisional~~, Regular, Associate, and Life Member shall pay the appropriate current year's dues on or before February 1st or no later than 30 days after invoice date. Failing which, and after due notice, the Member shall be posted as delinquent on March 1st.

If by the 1st of April thereafter, dues remain unpaid, the Member may shall be suspended from Membership and be so notified, and such suspension, even though payment in full is made on all arrears, shall not be lifted without vote of the Executive Committee. A late fee established by the Executive Committee may be assessed for those Members considered delinquent and membership denied until dues plus late fee are received.

A candidate for ~~Provisional~~ Membership shall pay current year's dues, plus initiation fee set by the Executive Committee subject to approval by the Club, when accepted

for Membership.

A work party is a six-hour period of work twice per year towards club activities or maintenance as directed by committee chairpersons. The alternative fee will be added to the following years dues.

Members must notify the Secretary of any changes of address or status.

### **Article XVII: Use of Club**

Application for lease or grant of any property, rights or franchise of the Club shall be made to the Executive Committee. Upon approval by the Executive Committee the Secretary shall notify all Members of such application and submit their decision to the Club at the next meeting. No sale, lease, or grant of any property, right or franchise of the Club shall be valid unless approved by a vote of two thirds of all Members present at any meeting, and provided that all Members shall have been notified of such proposed action. Routine requests by recognized boating associations for use of the Club for limited periods shall not be considered grant of property or franchise under the terms of this article and may be approved by the Executive Committee.

As a private, non-profit 501 (c)(7) club, no commercial venture or enterprise may be conducted by any member or guest on SBC property, docks, floats or clubhouse.

### **Article XVIII: Reserving the Club**

The clubhouse may be reserved by any member for a private function after the third Monday in October and before the second Monday in May. First come, first served. There is no fee. No political or commercial events are allowed.

No private functions will be allowed during the period between the second Monday of May and the third Monday of October. During this period, we wish to keep the Club completely available for use by all members and the only functions that are allowed are those arranged for the benefit of all members. These events are typically organized by the Entertainment Committee and the Race Committee.

Only one private function will be allowed at any given time. A member reserving the clubhouse for a private function can expect that they will have the full use of the clubhouse during their function. Other Club members are asked not to use the clubhouse at the same time.

A formal request should be made to the SBC Secretary who will ensure the date requested is clear. The request shall state the date, the time period required together with the number of people expected and the purpose of the function. Upon approval, the Secretary will add the event to the club calendar contained and accessed on the SBC web. This request can be made via email ([secretary@satuitboatclub.net](mailto:secretary@satuitboatclub.net)).

If your scheduled event is held in the winter, you must remove all your trash when you leave as there is no trash pickup during the off season.

Also, for all winter scheduled events, there must be a second egress from the building. Please remove the storm boards from the set of sliding doors that are located in the center of the south facing wall. Replace the boards after your event.

The clubhouse including main room, galley and restrooms must be cleaned and the floor vacuumed after your event. You will be charged a cleaning fee if you fail to clean up after your function.

As a private club, no commercial venture or enterprise may be conducted by any member or guest on SBC property, docks, floats, or clubhouse.

#### **Article XIXVI: Burgee**

The Club Burgee shall be a pennant with the fly twice the hoist consisting of a blue field with a white fouled anchor and a red triangle point, the field to be 5/12's of the fly. The boat club burgee should be flown forward on power boats, and on the starboard spreader on sail boats with the American flag on its own stern staff. For placement of owner pennants and signal flags refer to Chapman.

#### **Article XXVII: Amendments**

The constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Members present: provided notice of the proposed amendment has been given in writing at a previous regular meeting, posted and printed in the notice of the following regular meeting.

#### **Article XXVIII: Indemnity**

Each officer and members of the executive board are indemnified against the cost of any judgment and the expenses of litigation in any legal action which may be brought against any officer or executive board member while performing his or her responsibility in the conduct of the affairs or business of the corporation for alleged damage or injury with respect to property, property rights, person or personal rights of any plaintiff. This indemnity shall be covered to the extent of available insurance proceeds.

**Article XIX: Rules. — Current Robert's Rules of Order shall be used.**

#### **ARTICLE XXI Voting**

With the advent of technology and unforeseeable situations, availability of remote meetings to membership is accepted. This does not take away from the fact that only those attending a meeting in person or via online has a membership vote as taken during meetings. Voting is to remain in the Club's meeting setting.

**Article XXII: Rules. Current Robert's Rules of Order shall be used.**