LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB OF CANADA, Incorporated

CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS

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Not-for-profit Corporation No. 439883-1

1. **NAME**

The name of this organization shall be The Labrador Retriever Club of Canada Incorporated ("LRCC, Inc. or Club"). The good name and reputation of the Club depends to a large extent upon every member taking personal responsibility for maintaining the Code of Ethics and Constitution of the Club.

2. **AFFILIATION**

The Club shall work in cooperation with the Canadian Kennel Club ***("***CKC***")*** and affiliated Labrador Retriever Clubs who subscribe to the objectives, aims and code of ethics of the Club.

The Club shall take all necessary steps to investigate and comply with Federal and Provincial Guidelines with respect to clubs and corporations.

The Club shall maintain CKC recognition by adhering to the Policy set out by CKC and acknowledge that any changes in such Policy from time to time will supersede contravention within this Constitution & By-Laws and subject to the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act.

The Club employs the use of electronic signatures, electronic mail, online bank transfers and virtual meetings as required and any reference to finance, correspondence or meetings in this Constitution and By-Laws shall be deemed to include these methods unless otherwise specified.

3. CODE OF ETHICS

Members must agree to:

1) Maintain the original purpose of the Labrador Retriever as a retriever, breeding only from sound dogs of good temperament who exemplify the breed standard and are able to represent the breed for conformation in the ring, in the field as a willing worker, and/or as a hunting companion.

2) Be courteous, co-operative, and responsible members of the LRCC,Inc. respecting and not degrading another member or their dog(s).

3) Breed only to or from stock that, except in a rigorously controlled test breeding, must be:

a) X-rayed clear of Hip Dysplasia and Elbow Dysplasia and should be certified by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals ("OFA"), or Penn Hip.

b) Ophthalmologically examined and certified clear of hereditary eye diseases.

c) Dilute-free. Breeders will perform dilute gene testing, and make all reasonable efforts to avoid purchasing, producing or allowing their stock to be used to produce dilute affected (dd) or dilute carrier (Dd) Labradors. Offspring of dilute-free (DD) tested parents will be considered clear by parentage.

4) Register all Labrador Retrievers with the C.K.C. and abide by their rules and regulations. Keep accurate records of matings, pedigrees, sales, and transfers and pass on only accurate records and pedigrees to purchasers of stock or services, and not in any circumstances knowingly be a part of, or contribute to, false registration.

5) Not sell, consign, transfer puppies or adults to pet shops, wholesale dealers, contest sponsors, lotteries, or anyone known to degrade the Labrador Retriever breed or pure-bred dogs, or to individuals breeding and/or selling to the aforementioned.

6) Sell all pets sold in Canada on non-breeding contracts, which can be removed only with hips and eye clearances provided they are sound in temperament and their quality is suitable for breeding.

7) Replace once any pup or dog sold by them which is certified by OFA/Pennhip to have Hip Dysplasia/Elbow Dysplasia. This agreement may be subject to individual breeders' restrictions.

4. AIMS

1) To promote the Labrador Retriever in all its many uses: i.e. hunting, field trials, show, obedience, tracking, carting, rescue, scent discrimination, service and therapy work etc.

2) To hold a Rotating Annual National Specialty Show for Labrador Retrievers that rotates adhering to regions in Article 14, Section 1.
   a) Should the designated region forfeit its right to host the National Specialty, the next in rotation could apply.

3) To partner with CKC recognized clubs to hold a sanctioned and approved CKC Obedience Trial and/or Rally Obedience Trial and a sanctioned and approved CKC Working Certificate Test and/or Hunt Test in conjunction with the Annual National Specialty Show where possible. If the host club is not able to arrange inclusion of these events, the Versatility Challenge will still be offered using a point system that includes recognition for participation and success in these events, over a defined period of time, prior to the National Specialty.

4) To hold an annual eye clinic and/or genetic testing clinic at the National Specialty where

possible.

5) To educate the general public, breeders, and judges on our breed.

6) To encourage all members to maintain the working ability of the breed by doing retriever training, competing in Hunt Tests & Working Certificate Tests and considering working ability in their breeding programs.

7) To maintain a list of Labrador Retriever tattoo number combinations to help get lost Labrador Retrievers back to their owners.

5. AREA OF OPERATION

The area of operation of the Club shall generally be the Dominion of Canada but nothing herein written shall be deemed to delimit the area in which the members may seek to achieve their purposes nor limit the acceptance of associate non-voting memberships only from outside the Dominion of Canada.

6. REVISION OF CONSTITUTION

Amendments to the constitution may be moved by any member. Each proposed amendment shall be submitted to the secretary in writing and must be co-signed by four members in good standing. Amendments should be considered promptly by the board and be submitted to the members with the board's recommendations, by the Secretary within three months of when the petition was received by the secretary. The constitution may be amended at the annual general meeting provided the proposed amendments have been distributed (electronically or by mail if specifically requested by any individual member) by the Secretary to each member in good standing accompanied by a ballot on which they may indicate their choice for or against the amendment. The notice shall specify a date (no earlier than the next AGM) when the proposed amendment shall take effect if passed. It shall also specify the date, no less than 30 days from date of distribution, by which date the ballots must be submitted to the Secretary to be counted by three members in good standing. A favourable vote of 2/3 of the members in good standing who return valid ballots within the time limit shall be required to affect such an amendment.

Where the Club is best served by an amendment to the constitution or by-laws, and the Annual General Meeting is not imminent, a Standing Resolution may be put in place by majority vote of the Board of Directors, provided this Standing Resolution goes before the membership at the next Annual General Meeting as noted above.

BY-LAWS

DEFINITIONS: **Club** hereafter shall refer to the Labrador Retriever Club of Canada, Incorporated. **Executive** hereafter shall refer to the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. Board of **Directors** hereafter shall refer to the executive officers and regional directors.

ARTICLE 1. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Eligibility.
Membership requires agreement to adhere to both the Canadian Kennel Club and the Club's Code of Ethics, Constitution, and By-laws, subscribe to the objectives and aims of the Club. Members must be a resident of Canada and over 18 years of age to hold a voting membership and must not have been convicted of any animal related offences.

Section 2. Membership Types

There shall be five types of membership:-

1) Individual Voting Membership (eligible to hold office)
2) Family Membership (individuals and their family living in the same household - eligible to hold office)
3) Associate Membership (individuals who are not residents of Canada, but who subscribe to the objectives & aims of the Club – not eligible to hold office)
4) Club Membership (also referred to as "Member Clubs"), open to Labrador Retriever clubs within Canada who wish to be affiliated with the Labrador Retriever Club of Canada Incorporated, and who subscribe to the objectives and aims of the Club. Clubs to submit a copy of their constitution at the time of application for membership.
5) Life Membership will be awarded after 25 years of continuous membership. Clubs who are members of the LRCC will not be eligible for Life Membership.

Section 3. Fees.

Membership fees shall be payable on January 1st of each year, and no later than January 31st. No member may vote who is a not a paid up member for the current year.

1) Individual/family, resident, two voting members: - $35.00

2) Associate, non-resident, non-voting member: - $40.00

3) Club Membership, allowing the club one vote and delegate to attend general meetings: $35.00

4) Life Membership: no fees

Section 4. Election to membership.

Each applicant shall apply on a membership application form as approved by the ***Board of Directors***, which shall provide that the applicant agrees in writing to abide by the Constitution, the Code of Ethics, the Aims, and the By-laws of the Club, and by the By-laws and Rules of the C.K.C.

All membership applications should be emailed to the Secretary. Membership fees, payable to the Labrador Retriever Club of Canada Incorporated, must be submitted either electronically or by mailed cheque, and must be received no later than 30 days after notification of membership approval.

The Secretary will provide copies of all membership applications to the Board of Directors for review.

Any individual rejected for membership by the club must be provided with a written explanation within 30 days of such rejection.

Section 5. Termination of membership.

Memberships may be terminated by:

1) Resignation in writing provided there are no outstanding debts to the club.

2) Failure to Renew. Membership will be considered lapsed and automatically cancelled if a member's dues remain unpaid on February 1st of each year.

3) Expulsion. Membership may be terminated as a result of Article 7 DISCIPLINE.

4) Any member of the club who is suspended, debarred, deprived, expelled, or whose membership has been terminated by the Canadian Kennel Club's Discipline Committee, shall be suspended from the privileges of the club for a like period.

ARTICLE 2. MEETINGS

All meetings of the Club and of its governing bodies and all other matters of practice and procedure not otherwise herein specified shall be governed by ***Roberts Rules of Order*.**

At the meetings of the Club, the order of business so far as the nature of the meetings may permit, shall be as follows:

1. Roll call
2. Minutes of the last meeting
3. Chairperson's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Secretary's Report
6. Committee Chairperson's Report
7. Directors' Reports
8. Election of Officers (at AGM)
9. Election of New Members
10. Unfinished Business
11. New Business

12. Adjournment

Section 1. Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting ("AGM") of the Club shall be held in conjunction with the National Specialty Show, at a place, date and location as determined by the Board of Directors. Written notice of the annual meeting shall be mailed or emailed by the Secretary to each member at least 30 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for the meeting shall be 10% of the voting members in good standing. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted. The LRCC Board of Directors encourages all members present at the National to attend the AGM in person. Every effort will be made to also make attendance electronically possible for members across the country not able to attend in person. In the event that an Annual Meeting at the National Specialty does not achieve a quorum, counting both in person and virtual attendees, the Executive can schedule an alternate meeting on a date and format as decided by the Executive, including teleconference, video conference or other electronic means.

Section 2. Semi Annual Meeting

A semi-annual ("SAGM") meeting may only be held in conjunction with another Club activity, approximately midway between the Annual General meetings, in a different province than the venue of the last or next General Meeting. Written notice of the meeting shall be mailed or emailed by the Secretary to each member at least 30 days prior to the meeting. A quorum for the meeting is 10% of the voting members in good standing. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted. Every effort will be made to make virtual attendance possible.

Section 3. Special General Meeting ("SGM")

Must be called by the Secretary on the written request of 5 members in good standing who specify the business to be dealt with at that meeting. No other business may be done at this meeting. Written notice of this meeting shall be mailed or emailed by the Secretary to each member at least 30 days prior to the meeting. A quorum for this meeting is 10% of the voting members in good standing. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted. Every effort will be made to make virtual attendance possible.

Section 4. Board of Directors meetings

May be held when necessary, but no more than four times a year. Notice of such meetings shall be sent to all members of the Board of Directors (see Article 3, Section 3) at least 14 days prior to the meeting. A quorum for a Board of Directors meeting shall be a majority of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may carry on the business of the Club on an ongoing basis via virtual group chat, video chat or other electronic methods. Formal meetings may be held in person or by teleconference call/electronic device. Decisions that must be made, to ensure timeliness, between official meetings may be voted on electronically, and confirmed in the minutes of the next scheduled meeting. Voting by teleconference/electronic device if all members agree. Written resolution may be used in place of Board of Directors meetings where 100% of all directors agree.

a) All board members shall be sent the agenda for Board Meetings

b) All board members will be solicited for input to and addition of agenda items

c) All board members will be solicited for potential dates

d) All Board members will receive the minutes of executive meetings

e) All board members will be contacted by teleconference/electronic device for a vote on any issue wherein an impasse has been reached by those in attendance at the executive meeting, if previously agreed to by all board members

Section 5. Executive meetings

The Executive may carry on the business of the Club on an ongoing basis via virtual group chat, video chat or other electronic methods, and make recommendations to the Board of Directors on issues deemed to be of a sensitive or time-limited nature, in an effort to expedite the decision making process. No decisions will be made on behalf of the Club by the Executive alone, unless stated clearly in these By-laws.

ARTICLE 3. OFFICERS

Section 1.

The executive officers and regional directors shall be elected for a three-year term, at the annual general meeting of each election year. The position of chairperson, vice chairperson, and treasurer will all be elected from any geographic region of Canada – Atlantic Provinces, Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia/Yukon, Alberta/NWT/Nunavut, Saskatchewan/Manitoba. The Secretary shall be appointed as a voting member of the executive by a majority vote of the executive for a corresponding three-year term. All Executive Officers and Regional Directors must be voting members in good standing with the Club and shall be residents of Canada and members in good standing of the Canadian Kennel Club.

Section 2.

The Board of Directors of the club shall consist of the four executive officers and the regional directors elected from the six regions. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to make all major decisions concerning the business of the Club. Should a question occur as to whether an issue is a major issue, that issue will be considered a major issue. The duties of these officers shall be:

- **Chairperson:** Shall preside at all meetings and shall have the duties and powers normal to the office of chairperson.

- **Vice Chairperson:** Shall have the duties and powers of the Chairperson in the event of the Chairperson's absence.

- **Treasurer:** Shall collect and receive all monies belonging to the Club and shall keep records of all financial transactions of the Club. A financial report (which includes a Financial Statement as well as any other analysis or discussion items that should be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors) shall be presented at each executive meeting and regular general board meeting. If no formal meeting is held in each quarter, a financial report will be submitted to the Executive. An

audited Financial Statement shall be presented at the Annual General Meeting. The annual fiscal (calendar) year Financial Statement, along with all the supporting documents, must be submitted to the audit committee no later than February 28th of each year, for the previous year, as directed by the Chairperson. Following completion of the annual audit, the financial records will be retained by the Treasurer until the end of their term of office, at which time they will be forwarded on to the succeeding Treasurer.

- **Secretary:** Shall be responsible for keeping minutes of all board and general meetings, and for looking after incoming and outgoing mail. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person, but if so, the position must be filled by election not appointment. All secretarial files of the LRCC shall be forwarded to and kept by the current secretary.

Regional Directors: Shall reside within the area for which they are directors and shall in general be the Club's representative in that area and shall forward information on that area to the Secretary as required. There shall be one Regional Director for each of the following regions:

- British Columbia/Yukon
- Alberta/NWT & Nunavut
- Saskatchewan/Manitoba
- Ontario
- Quebec
- Atlantic (New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador)

Section 3.

Vacancies in the Board of Directors occurring during the year shall be appointed until the next Annual General Meeting by a majority vote of all the remaining members of the Board of Directors, except that a vacancy in the office of the Chairperson shall be automatically filled by the Vice Chairperson and the resulting vacancy for Vice Chairperson shall be filled by the Board of Directors. An updated list of the members of the Board of Directors will be submitted to the CKC no later than 30 days after the date of the appointment.

Section 4.

Remuneration shall not be paid to any executive officer, regional director, or committee member.

Section 5.

Removal from office of an executive officer, regional director, or committee member may take place by a vote of 2/3 of the membership in accordance with Article 7 DISCIPLINE.

ARTICLE 4. CLUB YEAR, VOTING, ELECTIONS

Section 1. Club Year:

The Club's fiscal year shall begin on the 1st of January and end on December 31st of each year. The Club's official year shall begin immediately on the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, which shall take place in conjunction with the Annual National Specialty Show. The elected officers shall take office immediately and each retiring officer shall turn over to his successor in office, all properties and records relating to that office within 30 days of the election and the Annual General Meeting.

Section 2. Voting:

Voting by proxy shall not be permitted at Annual General Meetings, semi annual general meetings and special general meetings except for the annual election of officers and directors and amendments to the Constitution or by-laws which shall be decided by written mail ballot except where otherwise required by the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act.

Each member shall be entitled to receive notice of, attend and vote at all meetings of the members of the LRCC, Inc, whether in person or virtual.

When the Executive determines that the membership must be polled between Annual Meetings to vote on business that has a specific time limit, such poll and vote may be conducted by electronic means. Two members of the board of directors would count the votes independently, in an electronic vote, to ensure the accuracy and validity of the vote. This does not apply to Nominations and Election of Officers, which must be done as outlined in Article 4, Sections 3 and 4.

Section 3. Election of Officers:

The election of officers will be accomplished using an online voting platform, as approved by the Board of Directors each year. The results of these elections will be brought to the Annual General Meeting by the Secretary and be recorded as part of the proceedings of that meeting. An updated list of the members of the Board of Directors will be submitted to CKC no later than 30 days after the date of the election.

Section 4. Nominations and ballots:

A nomination committee of 3 members and 2 alternates shall be chosen by the executive from different areas of Canada. No more than one can be a member of the current executive, and all must be members in good standing. The executive shall name a Chairperson for the committee, and the nominating committee may conduct its business by mail/electronic device.

1) The nominations committee shall nominate from the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each office open that year, and shall procure the acceptance of each nominee. The committee shall then submit its slate of candidates to the Secretary not less than 90 days prior to the annual general meeting who shall immediately ***email*** the list, including the person's full name and home address, to each member of the Club, so that additional nominations may be made by members of the Club.
2) Additional nominations of eligible persons may be made by written petition addressed to the Secretary and received not less than 60 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, signed by five members and accompanied by written acceptance of each nominee. No person shall be a candidate for more than one position, and the additional nominations should be from members outside the nominating committee.
3) If no valid additional nominations are received by the Secretary 60 days prior to the

Annual General Meeting the Nominating Committee's slate shall be declared elected at the Annual General Meeting.

4) If one or more valid nominations are received by the Secretary, the Secretary shall establish an electronic ballot and ensure each member in good standing is informed of their opportunity to vote at least 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting. The ballot shall list all nominees for each position in alphabetical order with the name of the provinces in which they live.
5) In the event of a tie vote, a re-vote will be conducted.
6) Nominations cannot be made from the floor at the A.G.M.
7) Each voter shall have the opportunity to cast a vote for each Executive Position (Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer). Directors may only be voted on by members in their region.
8) Election materials, including communications, nominations and ballots, will be retained for a minimum of 2 years by the Secretary.

ARTICLE 5. COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors may appoint standing committees for a term not exceeding 3 years, to work on special matters, trophies, annual prizes, or other areas which may be served by a committee. Special committees may also be appointed by the Board of Directors for special projects. An individual may resign from a committee by submitting a letter of resignation to the Board of Directors and a new individual would then be appointed by the Board of Directors. Upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors, any individual may be removed from a committee. The Board of Directors may, upon a majority vote in favour, terminate a committee. There is no remuneration received by any individual on a committee.

Section 1. Education Committee:

This Committee will be formed to review, develop, and promote educational opportunities on behalf of the club as a whole for judges, breeders and the general public. Regional clubs or individual members may apply for funding of up to $500.00 annually per Region for use in promoting the breed, and educating the public, breeders or judges. Any application for funding will be presented to the Board of Directors, via the Secretary, for consideration.

Section 2. Bylaw Review Committee:

This Committee will be formed to review the Constitution and Bylaws on an ongoing basis, but formally at least every three years, to ensure that we are following the requirements laid out within, and that the process and regulations are in keeping with current capabilities. The Committee will also ensure that the Club is in compliance with Canadian Kennel Club policies and guidelines, as well as the Club's governing legislation – Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act.

Section 3. Dilute Committee:

This Adhoc Committee will be formed as and when needed to keep the Club informed on the current state of the Dilute issue, with respect to other breed club actions as well as Canadian Kennel Club processes and procedures. Concerns or proposals will be brought to the Board of Directors for consideration.

ARTICLE 6. WORKING CERTIFICATES AND HUNT TESTS

The Labrador Retriever Club of Canada Incorporated subscribes to the current Rules and Regulations governing the Canadian Kennel Club Working Certificate Tests and Hunt Tests.

ARTICLE 7. DISCIPLINE

Section 1. Canadian Kennel Club Suspension

Any person who is suspended or debarred by the C.K.C. shall automatically be suspended from the privileges of the L.R.C.C. for the same period.

Section 2. Complaints - Members:

Any member may lay a complaint against a member for alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Club or the breed. Written complaints containing details of the alleged misconduct must be submitted to the Secretary. If the complaint is against the Secretary (who acts as liaison between the Board of Directors, the Discipline Committee, and the Complainant), the complaint will be received by the Chairperson, who will continue through the process outlined below to act in the role usually held by the Secretary.

The Secretary, upon receiving such a complaint, shall immediately call on the Board of Directors to appoint a Discipline Committee (Committee Chair and 2 members in good standing not on the current Board of Directors). Once the Discipline Committee has been formed, the Secretary shall forward the complaint to the Chair of the Committee no later than 30 days after the initial complaint was received. If the Discipline Committee deems the complaint valid, then a copy of the complaint along with a notice of hearing shall be sent to the defendant and the complainant. The hearing date shall be set no later than 90 days from date of receipt of the complaint.

If the Discipline Committee deems the complaint not valid, they will advise the Secretary who will notify the complainant of the Committee's decision.

Section 3. Hearing

Hearings are to be conducted virtually.

Both the complainant and the defendant shall be treated fairly and without prejudice and have the right to attend the hearing and to present any evidence.

Should the complaint be sustained after hearing all the evidence and testimony presented by the complainant and defendant, the Discipline Committee may, by a majority vote of those present, impose an appropriate penalty. The Secretary shall then notify each of the parties of the decision within 30 days of the decision.

Section 4. Appeals

After a hearing has been held and the parties have been notified of the decision, and either the defendant or the complainant disagree with the decision laid down by the Discipline Committee, an appeal may be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of notification to the Secretary. In an Appeal situation the Board of Directors becomes the Appeal Committee. The Secretary must forward a

copy of the appeal to the Appeal Committee within 30 days of receipt.

The Appeal Committee will then set a hearing date in accordance to Article 7, Section .2 above. The Secretary shall then notify each of the parties of the decision within 30 days of the decision.

Section 5. Complaints – Board of Directors

Any member may lay a complaint against one or more members of the Board of Directors for alleged misconduct, misrepresentation or any breach of this Constitution and/or By-Laws. Written complaints containing details of the allegation must be submitted to the Secretary.

The Secretary, upon receiving the complaint must immediately forward the complaint to the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall respond to the complainant with resolution within 30 days of receiving the complaint.

If the complainant disagrees with the resolution and communicates dissatisfaction in writing to the Secretary within 30 days of the date of the Board of Directors response, a virtual Special General Meeting will be called in accordance with Article 2, Section 3. By majority vote of the membership present, the complaint will be deemed justified or unfounded.

If the complaint is deemed justified, resolution will be presented in the form of a motion and the majority vote of the membership present shall rule.

ARTICLE 8. AMENDMENTS

Section 1.

Amendments to the By-Laws may be moved by any member. Each proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary in writing and must be co-signed by four members in good standing. Amendments should be considered promptly by the Board and be submitted to the members with the Board's recommendations, by the secretary within three months of when the petition was received from the secretary

Section 2.

The bylaws may be amended at the annual general meeting provided the proposed amendments have been distributed (electronically or by mail if specifically requested by any individual member) by the Secretary to each member in good standing accompanied by a ballot on which they may indicate their choice for or against the amendment. The notice shall specify a date (no earlier than the next AGM) when the proposed amendment shall take effect if passed. It shall also specify the date, no less than 30 days from date of distribution, by which date the ballots must be submitted to the Secretary to be counted by three members in good standing. A favourable vote of 2/3 of the members in good standing who return valid ballots within the time limit shall be required to effect such an amendment.

Section 3.

No repeal or amendment of by-laws shall be enforced or acted upon until it has been approved by the membership. A copy of the revised Constitution and Bylaws, as approved by the membership, will be submitted to the Canadian Kennel Club for their review and filing no later than thirty (30) days after the date of that approval. If the CKC notifies the LRCC Inc that an amendment is non-compliant with their constitution or policies, the Board will revise the amendment ensuring compliance, then refer the amendment to the membership for approval.

ARTICLE 9. FINANCIAL

Section 1.
A bank account, in the name of the Labrador Retriever Club of Canada Incorporated, shall be opened by the Treasurer in a bank accessible to him/her. The Treasurer and any two of the following four (4) officers shall be the signing authority for the Club: - Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. No two members of the same family or household may be signing officers.

Section 2.
The executive shall appoint a committee of three members in good standing to audit the books of the club prior to the Annual General Meeting. Books and reports for the previous fiscal year will be made available, by the Treasurer, to the Audit Committee no later than February 28th of each year.

Section 3.
The Club is not allowed to borrow money from a National Bank of Canada nor any other affiliated bank.

ARTICLE 10. DISSOLUTION

The club may be dissolved any time by providing to The Canadian Kennel Club written documentation signed by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Club who are in favour of this decision; proxies are not permitted. In the event of the dissolution of the Club, other than for purposes of reorganization, whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, none of the property of the Club, nor any proceeds thereof, nor any assets of the Club shall be distributed to any members of the Club. But, after payment of the debts of the Club, its property and assets shall be given to a charitable organization for the benefit of dogs, such organization being selected by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 11. INCORPORATION

For the purpose of the Incorporation of the Club as a corporation without share capital under part II of the Canada Corporations Act only the head office of the Club shall be the current secretary's address.

ARTICLE 12. CORPORATE SEAL

The corporate seal shall be held by the secretary of the club

ARTICLE 13. CERTIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS

Official documents of the club shall be certified by the signatures of any two of the following three executive officers: Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary

ARTICLE 14. LRCC INC EVENTS

No event will be advertised or held under the LRCC Inc.name without the written authorization of the LRCC Inc. Board of Directors.

Section 1. National Specialty

The National Specialty shall rotate as per the Constitutional Regions below:

1. British Columbia/Yukon
2. Alberta/NWT & Nunavut
3. Saskatchewan/Manitoba
4. Ontario
5. Quebec
6. Atlantic Provinces

If a region cannot host the National in the year assigned then they would forfeit their turn to the next rotation. Priority would be given to LRCC Inc Member Clubs (as defined in Article 1 MEMBERSHIP, Section 2, Point #4). The host region must make a commitment to the LRCC Inc Executive, in writing and submit an application using the form supplied by the LRCC, Inc no later than March 31st of the year that is three years in advance of their assigned year in the rotation.

Applications must contain a proposed profit and loss budget statement and details of the dispersal of the Member Club's share profits from the event.

The LRCC Inc. will share in any profits from a National Specialty on a 50/50 basis with the hosting club. The LRCC Inc. will share in any loss from a National Specialty on a 50/50 basis, with a maximum payment of $1000.00. A full financial report and any shared profits are to be submitted to the LRCC Inc within 60 days of the event.

Perpetual Trophies: Perpetual trophies and archives will remain with the LRCC, Inc and will be made available for display at National Specialties.

Section 2. Regional Events

LRCC, Inc Member Clubs wishing to host a Regional Specialty, booster, sanction match hunt/field test or any other event using the name of LRCC, Inc. will submit an application to the LRCC Inc Board of Directors no later than 8 months in advance of the event. Applications must contain a proposed profit and loss budget statement and details of the dispersal of any profits from the event, and will be written on the form supplied by the LRCC Inc. The LRCC Inc. will share in any profits from a Regional Event on a 50/50 basis with the hosting club. The LRCC Inc. will share in any loss from a Regional Event on a 50/50 basis, with a maximum payment of $100.00. A full financial report and any shared profits are to be submitted to the LRCC Inc within 60 days of the event.

Section 3. Hosting of Events by Individual Members

Individual LRCC Inc members wishing to host an LRCC, Inc event will submit an application in accordance with Article 14, Section 1 and 2. All profits from the event will be submitted to the LRCC Inc

Treasurer, 50% of which will be held in trust for use against future events hosted by the individuals who remitted the funds. These funds will be held for a maximum of three years and if not used will be added to the LRCC Inc. general fund. A full financial report and any profits are to be submitted to the LRCC Inc within 60 days of the event.

Section 4. Hosting of Events by Individual Non-Members or Non-Member Clubs

Applications from non-member clubs or non-member individuals will not be approved.

ARTICLE 15. AMENDMENTS TO THE BREED STANDARD

All amendments considered by the Board of Directors, and ultimately the membership of the Club, will be handled in accordance with the CKC Rules and Regulations, Chapter 4, Procedure RG002 “Proposed Changes to a Breed Standard”.