

C-4 Caledonia 4 Wheelers

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Article 1

Name: The name of this organization shall be Caledonia 4-Wheelers

Article 2

Vision: A local organization which addresses the issues and opportunities facing people concerned with creating a positive future for off-highway ATV recreation.

Mission: Create an ongoing communications forum through which ATV enthusiasts and their families and friends can share information and experience, participate in educational opportunities, and become partners in creating a positive image of the sport.

Purpose:

1. Strengthen the Caledonia 4 Wheelers club through improved organizational skills and increased membership.
2. Promote a positive public image of the sport with land managers, government officials and the general public.
3. Provide ongoing educational opportunities and reference materials in volunteer development, organization/club management, community action, meeting management, resource development, and others.
4. Develop partnerships with "decision-makers" to help them recognize that ATV use can be effectively managed.
5. Ensure that all ATV enthusiasts are aware of the impact of their actions on the environment.

Values: We value . . .

ATV recreation as a social experience which strengthens family relationships as kids and adults alike share their enthusiasm for the sport.

The opportunity for outdoor experiences respecting the many unique environments.

ATV recreation as a social opportunity for all types of people to participate in a healthy and enjoyable activity.

The variety of opportunities and challenges ATV recreation provides which allow escape from daily pressures.

Article 3

Membership: The membership shall consist of persons actively concerned with the future of ATVs and/or ATV enthusiasts. Honorary members shall be any other persons as the Caledonia 4-Wheelers members may decide by 2/3 vote of the Executive Committee of those present at any regular meeting. Membership in this organization shall be determined on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard for sex, race, color, religion, or national origin. Membership shall be ongoing, subject to termination for good cause, as determined by the Executive Committee and the established policies of the association. All new members must be at least 18 years of age to hold a single membership. Persons under the age of 18 may join as part of a family with their parent or legal guardian. Parent or guardian must be present any time a minor participates in any club function.

Article 4

Structure: The direction, action, and business of this organization shall be primarily affected through groups of volunteer committees and action teams. The standing teams and committees shall be as follows:

County Representatives

Primarily responsible for strengthening the local ATV organizations within the designated geographical area. These duties include working with all other committees and being a conduit for information between local affiliates and the Caledonia 4-Wheelers.

Public Relations

This team is responsible for promoting a positive public image of this organization, its mission and goals, and the positive image of ATV recreation throughout the state of Wisconsin and beyond.

Government Relations

Responsible for acquainting members with local, state, and national legislation that would/will affect the sport of ATVs. This team will keep in contact with legislative representatives, letting them know our members feelings and positions.

Education and Safety

To introduce members with educational opportunities of all kinds and fields related to promote or better our sport. This team shall be responsible to develop, produce, and/or distribute educational materials for the ATV community as appropriate.

Resource Development/Advertising

Shall be responsible for generating and attracting financial and other resources, needed to sustain this organization and its activities.

Membership

Shall have the responsibility for recruiting members, utilizing members in appropriate positions, establishing membership policies and providing coaching, counseling, review and correction of members performance as appropriate. This committee shall oversee the annual elections by coordinating the preparations for, implementing the act of, and posting the results for these meetings.

Dealer/Associate/Business Relations

This committee will introduce, promote, and encourage programs that apply to these members that better the Caledonia 4-Wheelers and these same groups alike. This committee shall be a way for these members to interact and promote the sport.

Club/Rally Relations

This committee shall encourage, promote, and work with other ATV clubs as well as seeking ways to benefit growth of more clubs. This team will encourage participation from local clubs in the Caledonia 4-Wheelers rallies in ways that benefit both groups.

Ad-Hoc Committees

Shall be designated and defined as formed by the Executive Committee under the direction of the President.

Executive Committee of Officers

The Executive Committee shall have the ultimate authority for the direction and activities of this organization. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the following:

- a) The President
- b) The Vice-President
- c) The Secretary
- d) The Treasurer

e) Five members at large designated an ADVISOR. The advisor shall be elected bi-annually at the annual meeting. If sufficient advisors are not elected, the President can appoint the position or positions. Members shall be Caledonia 4-Wheelers members in good standing and at least 18 years of age. 3 members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Committee. Any member in good standing (must have attended 6 of last 11

meetings) who has been a member for at least 1 calendar year will be qualified to hold office.

Article 5

Duties:

The President shall have primary responsibility for the legal and financial affairs of this organization. The President shall preside at meetings of the association and the Executive Committee. The President shall appoint ad-hoc committees as deemed necessary. The duties shall include assisting officers and advisors as well as members to promote interest on the part of each member in association activities. The President shall vote only in the event that the Executive Committee shall need a tie breaker.

The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President in the absence of the President. It is the responsibility of the Vice-President to keep current on the affairs of the association, to fill in for the President, and assist with the duties of President when asked to.

The Secretary shall keep a record of the meetings of the association in a minutes book provided for that purpose. The secretary shall be responsible for the legal records of this association and perform other duties as generally fall to that office.

The Treasurer shall have primary responsibility for the financial records of the association. The Treasurer shall oversee and record collection of dues and all other money due the association. The duties also include, in a timely fashion, to pay lawful expenses authorized by the Executive Committee. This shall include presenting the board with a financial report at each board meeting and to the general members at quarterly meeting. At the discretion of the Executive committee, the Treasurer's books shall be subject to an annual audit by a committee appointed by the President consisting of Non-Executive Committee members.

Article 6

All Officers and Advisors shall hold office for a term of two years or until their successors are elected. The President, Treasurer, and Advisor (so designated "even"), shall be elected in even numbered years. The Vice-President, Secretary (so designated "odd"), shall be elected in odd numbered years. The President shall fill by appointment unexpired, vacant, positions. If the office of President becomes vacant, the Vice-President shall fill the unexpired term. Should both positions become vacated simultaneously, the remaining Executive Committee shall fill the positions by majority vote.

Article 7

The Executive Committee shall meet at any time deemed appropriate by the President of 5 members of the Executive Committee. The committee meetings may involve assembling the members in one location or by telephone conference call.

Article 8

All actions of this association and any of its Teams or Committees shall be decided by consensus of such group except as otherwise provided in Article 6. Should consensus not be achieved on any such action or consensus is disputed, 2/3 of those present may call for a formal vote to be taken on such actions. All such formal votes shall be as provided for in Roberts Rules of Order.

Article 9

From time to time matters may arise that call for immediate action. In such cases the President shall poll the Executive Committee and take action on the matter as directed by a majority of the members on the Executive Committee.

Article 10

Through the Executive Committee, Caledonia 4-Wheelers may hire or contract as well as terminate, for outside staff support services including an Executive Director/Secretary, full or part time, paid or otherwise compensated by this organization or on loan or by grant from other organizations. This staff shall act under the direction of the Executive Committee through the guidance of the President.

Article 11

The fiscal year of this organization shall be the calendar year, from January 1st to December 31st.

Article 12

These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those members present at a regular annual meeting. The proposed changes have to be posted in advance either through a direct mailing to all members to allow sufficient time for the general membership to review such proposed changes.

Article 13

This organization may not be disbanded or dissolved without a 100% vote of the two founding members upon determination that the organization is no longer viable or effective in achieving its vision, mission, or purpose. Upon dissolution and after satisfying all legal and financial obligations

and liabilities, the Executive Committee shall donate all remaining assets of this organization to an organization of similar mission and purpose.

Amendment 1

To add or change a by-law, the change must be brought forth as an amendment. Amendments must be first discussed and voted on by the executive Officers and Advisors. The vote of the board must be a 2/3 majority vote. (no quorum accepted for by-law changes.) From there, if passed, the amendments must be voted on at a general meeting, and passed by a 2/3 majority quorum vote of the general membership. This can only take place DURING a regularly scheduled meeting, not a specially called meeting to count for by-law changes.

Amendment 2

No activity shall be considered sponsored, coordinated, or condoned by the club unless C-4, as a club, at a regularly scheduled meeting, states with a simple majority quorum vote of the membership to sponsor such activity.

Amendment 3

An elected board member or executive officer of the club can only be removed involuntarily from office by a 2/3 majority quorum vote at 3 consecutive regularly scheduled meetings. If at the first meeting the vote of removal passes, said board member or executive officer shall refrain from all duties and activities to do with his/her position until after the third meeting at which time he/she shall be removed or resume their position.

Amendment 4

To run for executive board, you must be a member in good standing for 1 year at the start of the term. Not at the time of nominations.

To run for the position of advisor, you must only have attended the last three most recent meetings.