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BY LAWS
OF THE
LAKE GUNTERSVILLE SAILING CLUB

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be LAKE GUNTERSVILLE SAILING CLUB (LGSC).

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVE

The objective of this club shall be to advance the pleasure, education and the experience of its members through organized events centered around sailing.

ARTICLE III: LOCATION

LGSC will be located at the Lake Gunterville Marina (LGM), with the right to meet and hold all club functions on this property.

ARTICLE IV: LIMITATIONS

The Lake Gunterville Marina's Clubhouse and Facilities are provided by the Owners for access and use by the members at no additional cost to the members, for which the Commodore, other Flag Officers, Directors and members are appreciative. It is recognized that owners of power boats at the Lake Gunterville Marina will also have access to the Clubhouse and Facilities. The Board will be particularly concerned to coordinate use and avoid conflict between the uses of the Clubhouse and the Facilities by sailboat and power boat slip renters through close contact with the Owners, the Owners' Representative on the Board and the Dock Master.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

Regular Member: Any current slip customers (wet or dry) at Lake Gunterville Marina will be a Regular Member. A member shall have one (1) vote for each slip (wet or dry) in good standing at Lake Gunterville Marina, i.e. one wet and one dry equals two (2) votes for that family.

Section 2

Social Member: Will have full rights and privileges of a regular member except for voting, holding office or chairing a committee. Anyone may apply for social membership after they have attended one club event as a guest of a member. Any pertinent comments regarding the applicant's membership should be directed to the Membership Chairperson. Within 30 days the Board of Directors will rule on the application. During the 30 days of acceptance, the applicant has full use of the facility. All fees will be paid in full with the application and will be refunded if membership is not approved. New membership will be prorated from the first day of the month following application date, to renew January 1. If membership expires, application to the Commodore or Secretary must be made with payment of the full year membership (not to be prorated) and any late fee assessment paid.

Section 3

Honorary Member: Any representative(s) of the Owner of the Lake Guntersville Marina as requested by Lake Guntersville Resort, LLC.

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1

The elected officers of the club will, at a minimum, consist of the Commodore, Vice-Commodore for Sailing, Rear Commodore for Social, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2

The Commodore may appoint committee chairmen as deemed necessary to foster the active governance of the club.

Section 3

The voting members or the Board of Directors will consist of the Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear-Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer. The chairmen of appointed committees will participate on the Board but will not be voting members.

Section 4

The Nominating Committee shall consist of two or more members, one appointed by the Board of Directors.

Section 5

The officers will serve a minimum of two years. There will be no term limits.

ARTICLE VII: DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1

The Commodore shall preside at all meetings of the club and of the Board of Directors, and shall have command of the fleet when the boats of the club members are assembled for club events. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and boards of the club. He shall appoint those "Ad Hoc" committees which, in his judgment are required. He shall execute all duties as appropriate under the constitution. Suggested appointments by the Commodore are:

Communications; responsible for publishing and distributing the Binnacle and other notices requested by the Board of Directors.

Membership; responsible for maintaining an accurate list of club member and their contact information. Assigning mentors for new members. Maintaining the club membership book.

Section 2

The Vice-Commodore for Sailing shall assist the Commodore in the discharge of his duties and, in the absence of the Commodore, shall act in his stead. In addition the Vice Commodore will be responsible for all sailing activities. It is suggested that chairmen be appointed for:

Racing; responsible for organizing and conducting a club racing program to include major regattas.

Cruise; responsible for organizing and conducting club cruising events.

Instruction; responsible for organizing instructional programs for the club's monthly meetings.

Section 3

The Rear Commodore for Social will be responsible for organizing all social activities including the social portion of all major regattas. It is suggested that chairmen be appointed for:

Monthly Socials; sponsor each of the monthly social activities.

Regatta; organize the social portion of major regattas.

Annual Dinner; organize the Club's Annual Dinner.

Section 4

The Secretary will be responsible for maintaining minutes for all club meetings, maintaining and publishing a club calendar of events and any other record keeping deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

Section 5

The Treasurer will be responsible for maintaining the financial records of the club, paying all bills approved by the Board of Directors, seeing that monies are properly collected for all events and providing a monthly report of the club's finances.

Section 6

The Board of Directors shall:

- A. Have general charge of the policy, management and the finances of the club; be vested with and custody of the property of the club; and appropriate

such sums as may be deemed advisable, within its current resources, for the interest of the club.

- B. Fill any vacancy in any elective office of the club, by majority vote of the Board of Directors quorum, the person so elected to hold office until the next regular or special meeting of the club, or until his successor shall be duly elected.
- C. Have jurisdiction over all disciplinary matters.
- D. Enforce the authority given to it by this constitution and take any action necessary to promote the best interest of the club.

Section 7

The Nominating Committee: See Article XII Section 2.

ARTICLE VIII: RESIGNATIONS

Section 1

Any Board of Directors member that is absent from three (3) unexcused regular meetings shall be considered to be resigned. Alternately a resignation may be in writing, addressed to the Secretary or to the Commodore.

ARTICLE IX: FEES AND DUES

Section 1

The race entry fees and cost for social events shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors and are subject to their approval.

ARTICLE X: MEETINGS, NOTICES, AND QUORUMS

Section 1

A general membership meeting, called the annual meeting, shall be held during the month of November, or other time voted by Board of Directors. The annual meeting shall be devoted to the installation of officers, annual reports of officers, annual reports of committees and such other business as may properly come before it.

Section 2

Upon installation at the annual meeting, the newly elected officers and committee chairs shall officially assume their responsibilities.

Section 3

Special meetings may be called at any reasonable time by the Commodore or the Board of Directors following notification by email two (2) weeks prior to the meeting.

Section 4

At any regular or special meeting, three elected officers together with members present shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5

Regular monthly meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at such time and place as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Section 6

At any meeting of the Board of Directors, three members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI: ORDER OF BUSINESS

All Questions of procedure not covered by this constitution shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1

Any Regular Member of the club in good standing shall be eligible for nomination to any of the elective offices.

Section 2

The Nominating Committee shall select a list of candidates, one for each elected office prior to the Annual Meeting. The list of candidates shall be presented for elective action at the meeting.

Section 3

In addition to the list of candidates submitted by the Nominating Committee, any Regular Member present at the Annual Meeting may nominate any other Regular Member for election to any elective office.

Section 4

The Commodore, the Vice-Commodore, the Rear-Commodore, the Secretary, the Treasurer, shall be elected at the Annual Meeting. They shall be installed in office with appropriate ceremonies at the annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are installed.

ARTICLE XIII: DISCIPLINE

The resignation of any member may be requested upon the unanimous vote of the full Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIV: AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote of the members present at the Annual Meeting or a special meeting. Amendments must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to proposal.

COMMITTEE NOMINATED OFFICERS FOR
2010-11

NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE TAKEN FROM
THE FLOOR AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

Commodore	Keith Kuhlman
Vice	Amy Stapleton
Rear	Trish Brown
Sec	Ed Miller
Treas	Beverly Kuhlman