# Poway Valley Riders Association, Inc. CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The name of this organization shall be POWAY VALLEY RIDERS ASSOCIATION.

#### **ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE**

- Section 1. The purpose of this Association shall be to provide a wholesome, regulated community activity for those who have a common interest in horsemanship, social betterment and continuation of the democratic way of life.
- Section 2. This Association shall be a non-profit organization.

# **ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP**

- Section 1. Members are those admitted as specified by the Bylaws.
- Section 2. Expulsions, reinstatements and filling of vacancies in offices shall be as specified by the Bylaws.
- Section 3. Dues and other charges shall be as specified by the Bylaws.

# **ARTICLE 4 - ASSOCIATION YEAR**

For accounting and tax purposes the Association year shall start January 1 and shall end December 31 of each year.

### **ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS**

- Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and five directors. The five directors shall consist of the past president and four directors, elected for two-year terms. Each year two directors will be elected to serve two-year terms. A fifth director shall be elected if the president succeeds himself or chooses not to serve as a director. The Board of Directors shall consist of nine members as above.
- Section 2. Candidates for executive office must have been members in good standing for at least six months prior to election date.
- Section 3. The president shall not succeed himself after serving two consecutive full terms.

#### **ARTICLE 6 - SUSPENSIONS**

All matters of which a member renders himself or herself liable to suspension shall be as provided in the Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - MEETINGS**

- Section 1. Regular meetings shall be held monthly; meeting date and time to be determined by the Board of Directors.
- Section 2. Special meetings shall be called by Board of Directors at the request of any member in good standing, upon good and sufficient reason, and all members shall be notified of such meetings.
- Section 3. The husband and wife, two votes per family membership, may cast their vote. An adult single membership may cast one vote.

# **ARTICLE 8 - DISSOLUTION**

In case of dissolution of the Association being voted at a legal meeting, the properties and money belonging to the Association shall be disposed of under direction of two-thirds vote of all members in good standing, (in accordance with the laws of the State of California). The Association shall not be dissolved until all members are given thirty days notice of the meeting for this purpose.

<u>ARTICLE 9 - AMENDMENTS</u> This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members at any business meeting, and such amendment shall be in writing and read at two consecutive meetings before it can be adopted.

# **ARTICLE 10 - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in the current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order" shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt.