

MOUNTAIN WOLF PACK

BYLAWS



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Bylaws Purpose

The Bylaws are intended to provide specific direction, procedures and guidelines for **Mountain Wolf Pack**. To include **Mountain Wolf Pack** activities or areas that require precise definition.

These Bylaws are intended to ensure and provide the necessary foundation for the long-term future of the **Mountain Wolf Pack Chapter**, this wonderful motorcycle and its owners.

These Bylaws are an ongoing work; changing and evolving forever based on input from members and implemented by quorum vote.

These Bylaws are intended to ensure continued organizational stability by establishing a check and balance system between the **Tribal Council** and the **Mountain Wolf Pack**.

ARTICLE I – Philosophy, Purpose, Goals, and Objectives

1.1) The **Philosophy** of the **Mountain Wolf Pack** is to be dedicated to the service of it's members and to promote Indian Motorcycles, and Indian Motorcycling.

1.2) The **Purpose** of the **Mountain Wolf Pack** is to be a social organization for the owners of Indian motorcycles and their families, for motorcycle enthusiasts to experience the freedom of the open road through lawful and safe motorcycle riding activities, and to provide a means for individuals to participate with others that share like-minded interests which include motorcycling activities.

1.3) The **Goals and Objectives** of the **Mountain Wolf Pack** shall be those of **Iron Indians Riders Association**; to promote and improve fellowship and goodwill, to enhance the lives of its membership among motorcyclist, between motorcyclist and the general public, and to encourage motorcycle activities in the greater Colorado area. It is also to encourage good riding habits, involvement in civic and charitable affairs, as well as project a positive image of the Indian motorcycle to the public.

ARTICLE II – Name

2.1) The **name** of this organization shall be **Mountain Wolf Pack (MWP)**, which is a chapter of the **Iron Indian Riders Association (IIRA)**. The **MWP** shall operate under the rules and regulations established within the National Charter of **IIRA**. No **MWP** Bylaws shall supersede the **IIRA** National Charter

2.2) The **MWP** chapter is a not for profit organization.

NOTE: If the **IIRA** is dissolved, the **MWP** will cease being a Chapter of the **IIRA**. However, the **MWP** will continue operating as an individual entity.

ARTICLE III – Code of Ethics

- 3.1) Maintain positive public relations with all contacts through example
- 3.2) Conduct all “Tribal” activities in a manner that will leave us above reproach.
- 3.3) Treat all motorists with the dignity and respect they deserve.
- 3.4) Respect the rights of every member of the community.
- 3.5) Abide by all local and state motor vehicle laws.
- 3.6) Establish a cooperative existence with other local and regional motorcycle chapters and organizations.
- 3.7) Conduct all “Tribal” activities in the manner prescribed by the national **IIRA** and the **MWP** chapter.

ARTICLE IV – The Tribal Council

4.1) The “Tribal Council” is the governing body of the MWP and is comprised of the five officers.

4.2) Tribal Council members are:
The Chief, a.k.a. President or CEO of the Tribe.
The Medicine Man, a.k.a., Vice President
The Buffalo Soldier, a.k.a., Sgt. At Arms
Story Teller/Historian, a.k.a., Secretary
Scout, a.k.a., Treasurer

Article V – MWP Officers, MWP Officers Duties & other Duties

5.1) MWP President: **The Chief** (Must be an owner of an Indian Motorcycle)

Shall exercise general supervision over the members of the MWP Board and the affairs of the MWP; ensure compliance with the IIRA charter by all MWP members; make day-to-day decisions concerning the operations of the MWP and report those decisions to the membership; maintain a working relationship with MWP sponsors and the sponsors of IIRA; represent the MWP in dealings with other rider groups and organizations; and be the intermediary between MWP members and IIRA.

The duties of the MWP President shall be:

5.1.1) The MWP Chief shall preside at all meetings (in there respective area North or South location) of the MWP.

5.1.2) Have general supervision in the affairs of the MWP

5.1.3) Appoint any person or committee not otherwise ordered by the MWP.

5.1.4) Personally represent the MWP on proper occasions and in business contacts.

5.1.5) Assist all other officers of the MWP in their records, correspondence and other duties.

5.1.6) Promote interest on the part of each member in the **MWP** activities.

5.1.7) Vote only when necessary to break a tie.

5.2) **MWP** Vice President: **The Medicine Man** (Must be an owner of an Indian Motorcycle)

When the President is absent, shall preside at all meetings (**in there respective area North or South location**) the Vice President shall be responsible for the duties of the President. The Vice President will decide in which rides and events the **MWP** will participate. The Vice President shall work with the President to obtain sponsors.

The duties of the **MWP** Vice President shall be:

5.2.1) Perform the duties of the president in his absence.

5.2.2) Perform other duties as assigned by the President.

5.2.3) Be chairperson of a three-member Charity committee.

5.2.4) Succeed to the Presidency if the President is unable to perform his /her duties.

5.3) **MWP** Treasurer: **Scout**

Shall maintain a bookkeeping system for the funds of the **MWP**; make a monthly financial report to the officer and membership at each **MWP** meeting; maintain the Tribal checking account; and oversee sales of **MWP** merchandise.

The duties of the **MWP** **Treasurer** shall be:

5.3.1) Collect dues from all members.

- 5.3.2) Collect other money due the MWP.
- 5.3.3) Maintain a list of all active members.
- 5.3.4) Maintain MWP financial records and deliver reports on a monthly basis.
- 5.4) MWP Secretary: Story Teller/Historian

Shall keep minutes of all meetings; post minutes on the MWP website for members to review; maintain a roster for all organized rides and monthly meetings; maintain membership records; issue membership patches; contact/greet new and/or potential members; and make sure that all members have a current signed waiver form.

There shall be two Story Teller/Historians; one for the Northern group and one for the Southern group. One of the two shall be the Story Teller/Historian for combined MWP functions and posting.

The duties of the MWP Secretary shall be:

- 5.4.1) Keep a record of the meetings of the MWP.
- 5.4.2) Send out notices of regular or special meetings.
- 5.4.3) Handle all MWP correspondence.
- 5.4.4) Perform such other duties as generally fall to that office.
- 5.4.5) Secure photos and keep a scrapbook/digital scrapbook on all MWP events and all news pertaining to the MWP. Coordinating with the Webmaster for posting on the MWP web site.
- 5.5) MWP Sergeant At Arms: The Buffalo Soldier (Must be an owner

of an Indian Motorcycle)

Shall be responsible for keeping the peace; enforcing **MWP** and charter rules with disciplinary actions; act as liaison between Tribe and Council; and collect toll money. The **Sergeant At Arms** shall visually inspect all bikes prior to any ride, to ensure safe riding conditions.

There shall be two Buffalo Soldiers; one for the Northern group and one for the Southern group. One of the two will be the Buffalo Soldier for combined **MWP** functions.

The duties of the **MWP Sergeant At Arms** shall be:

- 5.5.1) Maintain order within the **MWP** at all meetings.
- 5.5.2) Organize and maintain security at **MWP** events.
- 5.5.3) Visually inspect all bikes prior to any ride.
- 5.5.3) Ensure safe riding conditions.

5.6) **Ride Coordinator/Ride Captain:**

The **Ride Coordinator** will be in charge of rides, organize the **Ride Captains** and **Tail Gunners**, and set up a meeting between each other to plan future rides. A **Ride Coordinator** or **Ride Captain** along with the **Tail Gunner** shall pre-ride the route to be taken on each monthly ride as needed. Help make decisions regarding which rides will be ridden during a particular month and keep all riders' information.

There shall be two Ride Coordinators/Ride Captains, one for the Northern group and one for the Southern group. One of the two will be the Ride Coordinator/Ride Captain for combined **MWP** functions.

The duties of the **Ride Coordinator/Ride Captain** shall be:

- 5.6.1) Plan all **MWP** tours, runs, events or activities, etc.
- 5.6.2) Lead the **MWP** in formation riding or parades.
- 5.6.3) Stimulate interest in activities.
- 5.6.4) Assist in handling **MWP** social, parties and other functions.
- 5.6.5) Enforce all rules of **MWP** riding.
- 5.6.6) Appoint assistant(s) deemed necessary.
- 5.6.7) Select assistant(s) to aid in special tasks.
- 5.6.8) Biannually present and review rider safety procedures to all members at a meeting; covering riding in a group and its formation, hand, arm and leg signals; what to do in the case of an emergency, including do's and don't in roadside first aid, traffic control etc..
- 5.6.9) Assure new members are presented with or have been given a ride card and to explain or review riding in a formation; hand, arm and leg signal; what to do in the case of an emergency, (including do's and don't in roadside first aid, traffic control etc.).
- 5.6.10) Assure that **NO NEW MEMBER** is put in a position of **Ride Captain** or **Tail Gunner**, until such time the person(s) abilities of taking on the welfare of the group have been physically shown.
- 5.7) The duties of the **TAIL GUNNER** shall be:
 - 5.7.1) Working with the **Ride Captain** to assure safety.
 - 5.7.2) Working with the **Ride Captain** to plan all **MWP** tours, runs, events or activities, etc.

5.7.3) Stop and assist riders who must leave the pack due to problems.

5.7.4) Keep a second set of all riders' information.

ARTICLE VI – Election of MWP Officers

6.1) MWP officers shall be nominated every three years at the MWP meeting in May and will be voted upon in the monthly meeting in June. Newly elected positions will take effect on July 1st.

Term: three years.

Number of consecutive terms: two

6.2) MWP officers will be elected by a majority vote of the membership, with a quorum present. If only one nomination/candidate for an office is received, the election will be done by voice, with a “yea” or “nay” vote. Any majority vote of “nay” shall result in a secret ballot being presented. If the secret ballot results in a majority vote against the candidate, that position will be put up to the membership for re-nomination and a new vote will be held at the next regular MWP meeting. In the event more than one nomination is received for any position, the vote for that position shall be by secret ballot.

6.3) MWP committee members shall be appointed by the MWP officers. MWP committee members may be appointed at any time and for any period of one month or more.

ARTICLE VII – Members

- 7.1) There are four classes of Group membership:
Class One – Riders
Class Two – Associate Members
Class Three – Support Membership
Class Four – Sponsor Membership

7.1.1) Class One - Riders: Any person who is a registered owner of an Indian motorcycle or is the spouse or significant other of a registered Indian motorcycle owner is eligible to become a Rider in the **MWP**. All Riders are encouraged to become members of the **IIRA** National but it is not required in order to be members of **MWP** Chapter. However you must be a national member in order to receive national benefits and purchase **IIRA** patches and merchandise.

The acceptance of membership by a Rider means more than paying dues and attending **MWP** functions. It also means that the Rider accepts responsibility for courteous riding. This includes practicing motorcycle safety, lending a hand to those in distress, and following the rules of the road. Each rider is expected to become an active participant in **MWP** functions, activities and duties.

The acceptance of membership of a Rider in the **MWP**, also, constitutes his or her agreement to the terms and conditions of these Constitution and Bylaws, as well as the Constitution and Bylaws of **IIRA** National and any then-adopted **MWP** rules of the road. Without limiting the foregoing, each member agrees to fully indemnify, defend and hold harmless the group, **IIRA** national, its officers, employees, agents and other members in the event of any claim or lawsuit based on the act or omission of such member.

7.1.2) Class Two - Associate Members: Non-Indian Motorcycle owners who shall be designated Associate Members. Only Riders shall have the right to vote and hold office. Unless otherwise indicated, any reference to members within this document refers only to Riders. Motorcycle riding companions of any Rider (e.g. Non-Indian Motorcycle owners) may become Associate Members of the Group by acceptance of a majority vote by the **MWP**. The **MWP** will decide how they want to incorporate Associate members into the **MWP** and whether they will have voting rights within their group and how much the Associate membership dues will be. Associate members cannot purchase **IIRA** patches or pins. No Associate member can ever hold office of the **MWP**.

7.1.3) Class Three - Support Membership: Any person ineligible for Rider or Associate membership, who is dedicated to the purposes of the **MWP**, that does not ride a motorcycle shall be eligible for a "Support Membership". Support members have no voting privileges and pay reduced dues.

(This class of membership is specifically designed for former non-riding owners and anyone expressing positive interest in the Indian Motorcycle.)

7.1.4) Class – Four Sponsor Membership: Any business entity dedicated to the purposes of this organization shall be eligible for a "Sponsor Membership". Sponsor members have no voting privileges. Due to the commercial/business relationship of the Sponsor member, sponsor dues are higher.

(This class of membership is solely for business entities wishing to show their support for the Indian Motorcycle, **MWP** and its purpose.)

7.2) Termination of Membership: The membership of any Rider or Associate Member will terminate by the **MWP** upon any of the following events:

7.2.1) The resignation or death of the member.

7.2.2) In the case of an issued membership that has expired, unless the membership is renewed.

7.2.3) The failure of the member to pay dues or fees within the times set forth by the **MWP** or as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, or the failure of the member to otherwise comply with the provisions of these Bylaws or any membership rules adopted hereunder.

7.2.4) In the case of a Rider, the failure to be a registered owner of an Indian motorcycle for any period exceeding ninety (90) days.

7.2.5) Termination of the Associate Member's membership by quorum vote of the **MWP**. Termination of a membership shall not relieve the member from any obligation for charges incurred, services or benefits actually received, dues, assessments, or fees for which the member is obligated to the **MWP**.

7.3) Transfer of Memberships:

7.3.1) Rider, Associate Memberships, Support Membership and Sponsor Membership in the **MWP** are nontransferable and nonassignable.

ARTICLE VIII – Fees and Dues

8.1) Fees and Dues for: Riders, Associate Members, Support Membership and Sponsor Membership.

8.1.1) Riders: The initiation fee for the **MWP** will be \$16.00; after which the dues will be \$11.00 per annum.

8.1.2) Associate Members: The initiation fee for the **MWP** will be \$16.00; after which the dues will be \$11.00 per annum.

8.1.3) Support Membership: Non-Rider will be required to pay an initiation fee of \$15.00 after which the dues will be \$10.00 per annum.

8.1.4) Sponsor Membership: Initiation fees still to be determined; after which the dues will be still to be determined.

8.2) All Riders, Associate Members, Support and Sponsor Memberships will receive a membership card at the time their dues are paid.

8.3) The annual dues for all active members will be per annum. Dues will be payable on or before June 1 of each year.

8.4) All members owing dues at the conclusion of the dues year (June 1 - May 31) will be notified in writing by the secretary. Any member whose dues are unpaid after ten months subsequent to the Annual meeting will stand suspended until one year of back dues are paid and they are properly reinstated.

ARTICLE IX – Funds

- 9.1) All funds will be raised by fees, dues, donations, and such other means as the **MWP** deems necessary.
- 9.2) All funds exceeding normal operating expenses will be deposited in a regular savings account and withdrawn as necessary.
- 9.3) No debts will be incurred by or for the organization by any **MWP** officers, committee member, or members except as authorized by the vote of the members present at a regular meeting, with the exception of the Secretary who is authorized to contract for all daily operations expenses such as postage, printing, etc.
- 9.4) Tribal disbursements require three signatures; one from either the **MWP** President or **MWP** Vice President; one from the **MWP** Treasurer; and one from any other member of the **MWP** chapter.

ARTICLE X– Meetings

10.1) The regular meetings of the MWP shall be held the second Saturday of the month for the Northern group and the second Sunday of the month for the Southern group, unless otherwise announced. The President or Tribal Council may call a special meeting at any time by advance notice.

ARTICLE XI – Conduct of Meeting

11.1) Meetings: Meetings of the members shall be conducted in accordance with the Robert's Rules of Order, revised (used as a guide line for conducting meetings). The MWP President, MWP Vice President (at respective meetings), shall preside over all meetings of the members. The absence of such officers at any meeting of members, the members present at the meeting shall appoint any person present to act as presiding officer of the meeting. The order of business at each regular meeting, and so far as possible, at special meetings of members, shall be:

11.1.1) Call of roll

11.1.2) Proof of notice or waivers and declaration of proxies

11.1.3) Reading and approval of minutes of previous meetings or action of members

11.1.4) Reports

11.1.5) Unfinished business

11.1.6) New business

11.1.7) Open forum

11.1.8) Adjournment

ARTICLE XII– Amendments

12.1) Amendment requests for the **MWP** Bylaws will be submitted in written form at a regular **MWP** meeting. Amendment requests can be submitted by any active **MWP** member.

12.2) Amendment requests will be read to the membership during the current month's **MWP** meeting and email to all active **MWP** members. This will allow members not present at the last meeting, the chance to be informed of the issue and be present to vote at the next meeting. A re-reading of the amendment and a vote on the amendment request by active **MWP** members will take place at the next monthly meeting. A majority vote, with a quorum present or by absentee ballots will be a permitted must be received for an amendment to be implemented.
(Proxies are not allowable)

ARTICLE XIII– Quorums

13.1) A quorum for any MWP meeting shall consist of 2/3 members in good standing from both the Northern group and Southern group.

Example: Three persons; two yes votes needed to change.
Six persons; four yes votes needed to change.
Twelve persons; eight yes votes needed to change.

ARTICLE XIV — Restrictions

14.1) Wearing of rockers: No member of the **MWP** will wear patches on a jacket or vest which can be described as a rocker. The definition of a Rocker is a patch worn on the back of a jacket or vest, in any shape and size, which contains chapter ID's or city or state text information. This is a serious issue in many states where 1% of Motorcycle clubs are very territorial. The **IIRA** is a motorcycle riding group, not a motorcycle club. Wearing a rocker can be hazardous to your health and the health of other **IIRA** and **MWP** members.