



# FLORIDA CRACKER TRAIL ASSOCIATION

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Good Afternoon FCTA Members,

I, Michael Harrison FCTA President, am making a motion to bring our bylaws into the 2017 ride to allow members to amend the changes I'd like to implement.

Under Article 7 of our Articles of Incorporation it states that this corporation can amend our bylaws by the members of the corporation. {Please see the attached Articles of Incorporation and Florida Cracker Trail Association Bylaws}

The amendments in consideration of changes are as follows:

Article II Offices of Agency  
Principles and Branch Offices

2.01 The principle place of business of this corporation is Highland County will be located at Lorida School House, PO Box 158 Lorida FL 33857.

In addition the corporation may maintain other offices either within or without the state of Florida as its business requires

## AMEND TO READ

2.01 The principle place of business of this corporation will be “as filed with the Annual Corporate Report.”

Location of Registered office

2.02 The location of the initial registered office of this corporation is 129 South Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida 33870. Such office will be

Continuously maintained in the state of Florida for the duration of this corporation. The board of directors may from time to time change the address of its registered office by duly adopted resolution and filing the appropriate statements with the state.

## AMEND TO READ

2.02 The board of directors may from time to time change the address of its registered office by duly adopted resolution and filing the appropriate statement with the state.



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## Article III Membership

### Annual Members Meetings

3.06 The annual meeting of the members will be held in October of each year.

### AMEND TO READ

3.06 The annual meeting of the members will coincide with the Annual Cross State Ride.

\*\*Since this is the greatest amount of gathered members.

## Article IV Director

### Number of Directors

4.04 The number of directors of this corporation will be not less than ten (10) until further amendments of these by laws. The counties of

St. Lucie, Okeechobee, Highlands, Hardee and Manatee shall each be represented by at least two directors.

### AMEND TO READ

4.04 The number of directors of this corporation shall be determined by eligible member vote at Annual Member Meeting and limited to twenty one.

At most (21) and not less than ten (10).

### Terms of office

4.05 1.) The directors constituting the first board of directors shall be elected at the organizational meeting of the membership.

Five of the initial directors shall be elected for one year terms and the remainder shall be elected for two year terms each director will hold office for the term for which elected and until a successor has been selected and qualified.

### AMEND TO READ

4.05 1.) The directors shall be elected by the membership at the Annual Meeting of Members. Each director shall serve for a term of two (2) years.



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Half of the directors are elected at each Annual Meeting of Members, therefore making alternating director terms as to keep experienced directors on the board keeping stability in any transitions.

To keep alternating election date the secretary will keep in minutes the dates of director’s election and present names of directors to be voted on at alternating years.

There are no limits on how many terms a director serves as long as he/she has been qualified as eligible and voted in at the Annual Meeting of Members when the director’s term is up for vote.

## Article V Officers

### Roster of Officers

5.01 The officers of the corporation will consist of the following personnel;

- 1.) The President
- 2.) The Vice President
- 3.) The Secretary
- 4.) The Treasurer

### AMEND TO READ

5.01 The officers of the corporation will consist of the following personnel;

- 1.) The President
- 2.) The Vice President
- 3.) The Secretary
- 4.) The Treasurer
- 5.) The Trail Boss
- 6.) The Executive "Cracker"



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## Article V -Officers

### Roster of Officers

5.02 The President of this corporation will be an elected member of the Board and shall be appointed every two years by the Board of directors.

The Vice president, Secretary and Treasurer of this corporation will be elected members of the board and shall be appointed annually by the Board of Directors.

Each officer will remain in office until a successor to each office has been selected and qualified. Such election will take place at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors taking place in October of each year.

### AMEND TO READ

5.02 The President of this corporation will be an elected member of the board. The President will be elected by the members at the Annual Meeting of Members at the cross state ride. The term of Presidency is a two year term.

The qualifications for President are as follows.

To be eligible to be voted in as President, he/she must have had four consecutive years upon the ride. Be a member in good standing and be able to attend regularly Board meetings to be held by the Board of Directors within fifty miles of the Florida Cracker Trail route.

### AMEND TO ADD

5.04 a.) The Trail Boss of this corporation will be an elected member of the Board. The Trail Boss will be elected by the members at the Annual Meeting of members at the Cross State ride.

The term of Trail Boss is a two year term. The qualifications for Trail Boss are as follows.

To be eligible to be voted in as Trail Boss he/she must have had four consecutive years on the ride. The Trail Boss has the distinct responsibility for organizing the Annual Cross State ride.

He/She will have the boards support to insure a safe and cooperative collection of information to continue the success of the Cross State ride.

The Trail Boss will get board approval for the Cross State Ride’s budget and any ideas that change the route or effects implementation of a rule change. Once the board has approved



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the Trail Bosses itinerary and the Ride commences, the Trail Boss has the exclusive authority to run the ride with all the rights given to him/her as trail boss as stated in these bylaws.

## AMEND TO ADD

### 5.04b.) The Executive "Cracker"

The Executive Cracker is an appointed position to the board by the president and holds a special relationship to this corporation.

The Executive Cracker has a place upon the executive board and as such has all rights of a Board of Director and is an appointee to the Executive Board. The Executive Cracker will be a member of the corporation and eligible and qualified to serve on this board.

The intent is to have someone whose past commitment to this corporation will insure future Directors to have a relevant contact with the experiences shared by the Executive Cracker. The intent is to keep the balance in check with keeping with our corporate mission statement and any new ideas presented.

The qualifications for Executive Cracker are as follows.

He/She must have twenty years or more involvement in this corporation to be considered.

The Executive Crackers term will terminate with a newly elected president and can be re-appointed by new president. Or the new president can choose another of his/ her preference but must meet stated eligibility requirements.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

*Michael Harrison*

President

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