

South Florida Mustang Club, Inc.

By-Laws 2006

Mission: The South Florida Mustang Club is devoted to promoting the welfare of America's wild horses and burros by educating the public with demonstrations, exhibitions and Mustang versatility shows with the goal of preserving and protecting the wild horse.

Article I: Name

The name of this club shall be the South Florida Mustang Club, Inc.

Article II: Purpose

To promote the Wild Mustang breed

Article III: Membership

The membership of the club shall be paid dues members and family and are interested in promoting the goals of the club. Membership shall be open to any person who is not less than 18 years of age. Any persons under 18 years of age must have a family membership. All members must sign a waiver of liability upon being granted membership (minors must have a parent or guardian sign the waiver).

Article IV: Club Volunteer Leadership

Section 1: Officers and at-large members

- a. The officers of the club shall include a President, Vice President, Membership Secretary, Minutes Secretary, Social Secretary, Treasurer & BLM Liaison.

President: to preside over meetings, to call any special meetings, and to keep the club goals, mission, and purpose active in the club.

Vice President: to assume the powers of the president in his/her absence, and to take on special assignments as requested by the president.

Membership Secretary: to welcome new members to the club, to keep current membership applications and collect appropriate dues.

Minutes Secretary: to record minutes at meetings, to keep file of such minutes.

Social Secretary: to keep the club updated on upcoming events.

Treasurer: to administer all funds and to have authority to sign or disburse necessary appropriations, as directed.

BLM Liaison: to be the liaison between the BLM and the club, to keep the club informed of all current BLM regional and or national activities.

- b. The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of this club and shall consist of all current elected officers.
- c. The Club Board may have up to two at large members who participate in club planning meetings and activities, thus making a volunteer leadership base.
- d. The board shall not consist of two memberships from the same family and or household.

Section 2: Qualifications

- a. To be eligible for nominations as President, the candidate shall have served as a Club Board member during three consecutive years, including current year.
- b. To be eligible to serve on the Club Board, individuals must be current members of the club and have been a member for at least a year prior to the new elections.

Article V: Dues

Dues of \$20.00 for single and \$25.00 for family must be paid by November 30th of each year. Members whose dues are not paid may be dropped from the roster until said dues are brought current. Member dues must be paid in full in order to participate in any club function.

Article VI: Meetings

The regular meetings of South Florida Mustang Club, Inc. shall be held on the first Monday of each month, unless a holiday falls on the specific date for a meeting. Then the meeting will be held the following Monday.

Article VII: Conduct

All members of the club shall uphold the mission and purpose of the club. At least majority of the board must meet to address specific problems, when and if they should arise. In regard to riding horses, all horses must be under control at all times, however abuse to any horse is prohibited. If a member's horse must be disciplined, they need to do so during practices, not during a performance or club function where the public could be spectating. Any member or horse displaying inappropriate or unsafe actions may be suspended by a majority vote of the Board.

Article VIII: Committees

Committees, special or standing, shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board as deemed necessary to carry on the work of the club.

Article IX: Parliamentary Authority

Robert's Rules of Order shall prevail at all meetings and functions of the club. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

Article X: Amendments

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Club by a majority vote of the leadership group, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.