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**IRVING BASS CLUB, INC.
CONSTITUTION
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2010
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Vice-President-Ron Stephens

Secretary-Nancy Smith

Treasurer-Charles Smith

Program Director-Bobby Jacobs

Tournament Director-Roger Beall

Director at Large-Tom Briner

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Meeting Location

Irving Elks' Lodge
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Irving, Texas 75061

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IRVING BASS CLUB INC. CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I
NAME, OBJECTIVE AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1 - NAME

This organization shall be called the Irving Bass Club Inc. (the “Club”).

SECTION 2 - OBJECTIVE AND PURPOSE

- A. The purpose of the Irving Bass Club shall be to meet and discuss the various problems of the sport fisherman and help the membership become more skilled in bass fishing. The bass club shall attempt to (1) increase the enjoyment of bass fishing, (2) promote fellowship among its members and (3) make bass fishing a more productive sport through conservation and sportsmanship.
- B. Any angler that pays their entry fee and fishes an open tournament automatically becomes an associate member of the Irving Bass Club. That membership shall be ratified by their attendance of the following regular monthly meeting at which time the regular membership fee will be paid and continued membership will be contingent upon Board of Directors’ approval.

ARTICLE II
MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

SECTION 1 - MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be closed at 500 members.

SECTION 2 - PROVISION FOR MEMBERSHIP

In order to become a member of the Irving Bass Club, a person must be sponsored by an active member who will turn in the application to an officer of the Club. A majority of the Board must give their approval or the application may be taken to the membership for a majority approval. The application must be accompanied by the correct membership fee.

SECTION 3 - DUES AND FEES

- A. The annual membership fee shall be \$25.00 payable at the time the application is submitted. The membership fee shall not to be prorated for a partial year.
- B. Membership fee shall include the applicant, their spouse and children under the age of sixteen (16) as of January 1st of the calendar year. The applicant is a “paid” member; all other family members are “associate” members.

1. Reference to “members” in the Constitution, Bylaws and Club Policies shall mean any member except where specifically identified as a “paid” or an “associate” member.
 2. Paid members are entitled to vote and to hold office, ARTICLE III, SECTION 6 – CONSTITUTION.
 3. Paid members are eligible for prizes at the annual awards banquet, SECTION 8 – BYLAWS.
 4. Paid members may be recognized for their continuous years of membership.
 5. Members are eligible to compete in club tournaments, participate in club activities, serve on committees, submit changes to the Constitution, Bylaws and Club Policies and receive awards at the annual awards banquet.
- C. Club membership is mandatory prior to fishing any club tournaments.

SECTION 4 - RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

At the January meeting, those members in good standing that fished at least six (6) club tournaments the prior year, will have their membership renewed prior to accepting other applications for membership. All renewal membership fees must be paid at the January meeting.

ARTICLE III OFFICERS, ELECTIONS, DUTIES, TERMS OF OFFICE, VACANCIES AND ELIGIBILITY

SECTION 1 - OFFICERS

The officers of this organization shall consist of (1) President, (2) Vice President, (3) Secretary, (4) Treasurer, (5) Program Director, (6) Tournament Director, and (7) Director-at-Large.

SECTION 2 - ELECTIONS

The elections shall be held annually at a regular meeting by secret ballot during the month of December. The election shall be a simple majority of the members present. The election of each office shall be held separately in the order listed in ARTICLE III, SECTION 1.

SECTION 3 - DUTIES

President - Presides over all meetings and directs all official business of the Club. Supervises all club functions, appoints and directs all committee functions, except the functions of the Tournament Committee.

Vice President - Assists in the functions and duties of the President and presides in the absence of the President, and performs other duties that may be assigned by the President. As the Club’s Historian, to establish, categorize and maintain the history of the Club’s activities,

operations and stories via photos, scrapbooks or other media widely available to the membership. To administer and/or supervise the maintenance of the Club's website. Chairperson of the Fellowship Committee. Directors of this position may appoint as many members as needed to assist in these functions.

Secretary - To keep an authentic record of the proceedings of the Club. To call the roll of members when necessary to do so. To call the meeting to order in the absence of the president and the vice president. To prepare the minutes for approval of the membership. To preserve all records and other documents except those assigned to other functions. To authenticate all records by the signature of the secretary.

Treasurer - Official custodian of the Club's funds and disbursing officer of the Club. Responsible for maintaining an accurate financial record, paying all bills, warrants and requirements after payment is authorized. Duties shall also include reporting the financial condition to the club at each meeting, preparing an annual report at the end of the year and filing all applicable Internal Revenue Service forms required for non-profit corporations. A receipt or voucher must accompany all expenditures.

Program Director - Responsible for all entertainment functions of the Club. Obtaining guest speakers and programs that will interest and enlighten the club to all facets of the Club's purpose.

Tournament Director - Appoint a tournament committee and directly supervise all functions of that committee. Provide the membership with tournament information concerning the Club's monthly tournaments.

Director-at-Large - Responsible for setting up the meeting place, i.e., tables, chairs, etc.; conduct all activities in sponsorship of door prizes, and assist the President as he/she may be called upon to do so. To enforce and preserve order at the monthly meetings. To see that all members, visitors and guests are signed in at the monthly meetings. Seeing to the welfare of all visitors and guests; receive and process the complaints of the membership. Chairperson of the Membership Committee. Sponsor all novelty sales.

SECTION 4 - TERM OF OFFICE

The term of office is for two (2) years, the first year in an active capacity of the Club and the second year in an inactive capacity to be called upon for assistance if needed by first year officers. Term of office begins on January 1st of each year and ends on the last meeting day of December of that year; or until the successors assume their offices.

SECTION 5 - VACANCIES

In the event an office becomes vacant, nominations shall be asked and an election held to fill the unexpired term of the office vacated.

SECTION 6 - ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE AND TO HOLD OFFICE

- A. Each paid member is entitled to one (1) vote, provided the member has attended a total of six (6) official club functions. The six (6) club functions may be a combination of club meetings and club tournaments and must include at least two (2) club meetings and two (2) club tournaments.
- B. Any paid club member is eligible to hold an office in the Club provided that the member has attended at least one-half (6) of the Club's regular twelve (12) monthly meetings, and has shown an interest in the Club's functions during the current year.

ARTICLE IV

PROCEDURES FOR AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION,
BYLAWS, TOURNAMENT RULES AND CLUB POLICIES

SECTION 1 - PROCEDURES FOR AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND
TOURNAMENT RULES

- A. All changes to the Constitution, Bylaws and Tournament Rules must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors no later than the September meeting.
- B. The Board of Directors will decide on the practicality of the submitted changes at the next Board meeting with the best interest of the Club in mind.
- C. If the Board decides favorable on the change, the change will be taken to the membership at the October meeting for discussion.
- D. Following the discussions on the submitted changes to the Constitution, Bylaws and Tournament Rules at the October meeting; changes will be voted on separately at the November meeting.
- E. All changes to the Constitution, Bylaws and Tournament Rules must carry a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and will become effective January 1st of the following year.
- F. Any changes involving the incorporation of the Irving Bass Club or the filing of exempt status will not be restricted by the months stated in items C, D, and E.

SECTION 2 - CLUB POLICIES AND POLICY CHANGES

- A. Any club member can submit a club policy to the Board.
- B. Upon receipt by letter to the Board of a policy or policy change, the change and/or amendment will be sent to all members of the Club by newsletter and voted on at the next regular meeting with a majority vote of the members present.

ARTICLE V
REMOVAL OF MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1

A member may be dropped from the membership roll for the following reasons:

- A. Failure to pay outstanding membership dues and club fees or any other money or property belonging to the Club within 30 days of being notified by Board members.
- B. Any action, which reflects dishonor and/or disgrace to the Irving Bass Club (reference Bylaws for procedure).
- C. Any person joining the Irving Bass Club must have fished at least two (2) club tournaments in the first six (6) months after joining the Club; if not, that member may be dropped from the Club's roll if the Club has reached a full 500 membership and has a waiting list of prospective members. The Board will review the circumstances before any member is dropped.

ARTICLE VI
STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION 1

There are only three (3) standing committees in the Club.

- A. Membership Committee - Chaired by the Director-At-Large and four members (see Bylaws for function).
- B. Tournament Committee - Chaired by the Tournament Director and at least four members (see Bylaws for functions).
- C. Fellowship Committee - Chaired by the Vice President and at least four members (see Bylaws for functions).

IRVING BASS CLUB BYLAWS

SECTION 1 - MEETINGS

- A. Regular meetings of the Club shall be held on the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m.
- B. Special meetings may be called by the President or the Board for a specific reason. All members must be notified of the special meeting, with the reason, the time, the place and date of the meeting.
- C. Meetings will be conducted in accordance to the standard code of parliamentary procedures (Ref. GUIDE TO CONDUCTING A REGULAR MEETING).
- D. An annual meeting will be held to discuss corporation business. This meeting will be held immediately prior to the Annual Awards Banquet.

SECTION 2 - MEMBERSHIP, PROCEDURE FOR DISMISSAL OF A MEMBER

- A. After membership has reached the 500-membership quota, a waiting list of prospective members will be established.
- B. In cases where dishonor and disgrace to the Club is involved, the President will appoint a five (5) member committee to investigate the problem and report findings to the Board of Directors. A hearing will be granted upon request of the individual involved, with continuing membership contingent upon unanimous approval of the membership.

SECTION 3 - VACANCIES OF AN ELECTED OFFICE

- A. The President can temporarily appoint a club member to fill a vacated office until an election can be held to fill said vacancy.
- B. In the event the President cannot serve for any reason the line of command will be as listed in order in ARTICLE III, Section 1 of the Constitution (Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.).

SECTION 4 - COMMITTEES AND DUTIES

- A. Membership Committee - consists of four (4) active members, with the Director-at-Large as Chairperson. The duties of this committee will be to collect all dues from the old and new members, including dues for other organizations approved by the Board, submitting all monies collected to the Club's Treasurer for proper distribution. Responsible for soliciting new members, until the 500-member quota is reached, and establish a prospective member list. Publish a quarterly membership list; welcome all visitors and guests at meetings. Establish an information center at each meeting to answer questions that may arise among members concerning policies and activities of the Club. Distribute copies of the Constitution, Bylaws, Tournament Rules and Policies to the membership.
- B. Tournament Committee - consists of at least four (4) active members, with the Tournament Director in charge. The Tournament Committee will be responsible in the selection of the lakes, headquarters, and all the equipment required to hold club tournaments. Tournament Committee shall be responsible in establishing and maintaining monthly records of each club tournament. Establish a possible member dropout list for members who have not fished two (2) tournaments in the first six (6) months after joining the Club. (Ref. ARTICLE V, Section 1. C., Constitution)
- C. Fellowship Committee - consists of at least four (4) active members, with the Vice President in charge, to be responsible for organizing the Saturday evening meals at club tournaments. The committee may also be called on to assist with any special club functions, i.e., the Club's Annual Awards Banquet. The Fellowship Committee shall also assist the Vice President with keeping the website current.
- D. All other committees must be established by the President and have approval of the Board.
- E. It shall be the responsibility of all chairpersons to let the membership know what members are on each committee and when changes are made by notifying the Club Secretary so that changes can be published in the Club's monthly newsletter.

SECTION 5 - FINANCIAL STATUS AND CONDITION

- A. The Board in power shall be responsible for the welfare and allocation of the Club's funds. All expenditures must be reported to the Treasurer as stated in ARTICLE III, Section 3 - Constitution. Expenditures shall be in the best interests of the Club and/or its membership. Such expenditures shall include:
 - 1) Items necessary for the operation and promotion of the Club and/or club activities,
 - 2) Maintenance and acquisition of club property,
 - 3) The Annual Awards Banquet and
 - 4) Other expenses the board deems reasonable and necessary.
- B. A copy of the Treasurer's monthly financial report will be attached to the Secretary's monthly minutes.
- C. The Club's accumulated monies may be returned to the members in the form of prizes, cash awards, dinner or other approved disbursements. Club funds remaining at the end of the calendar year after approved expenditures shall be carried forward as operating reserve for subsequent years.

SECTION 6 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The Board of Directors of the Irving Bass Club consists of all elected officials and the immediate Past President, who will assist the current President if necessary.
- B. The board shall ratify all club expenditures approved by the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall submit a monthly financial report to the board and attach the report to the minutes of each regular monthly meeting.
- C. Each director shall have one vote and may not be done by proxy.
- D. The president of the organization by virtue of his office shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors.
- E. A director may be removed when sufficient cause exists for such removal. The Board of Directors may entertain charges against any director. A director may be represented by counsel upon any removal hearing. The Board of Directors shall adopt such rules for this hearing, as it may in its discretion consider necessary for the best interest of the organization.

SECTION 7 – INVENTORY

- A. A year-end inventory of club supplies will be given to the new Board of Directors each year.

SECTION 8 - RULES GOVERNING PRIZES

- A. A paid member must have fished three (3) club tournaments to be eligible for prizes at the Annual Awards Banquet.

SECTION 9 - PROCEDURES FOR THE NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- A. Nomination of officers for the Club shall be held at the November club meeting with nominations made in the order as stated in ARTICLE III, Section 1 - Constitution.
- B. Election of nominated officers shall be held as stated in ARTICLE III, Section 2 - Constitution, with all nominated officers appearing on the ballot, even if only one person is nominated for that office. Example: Single nominee Yes or No, choice of the voter. Multiple nominees, a circle of the choice of the voter.

IRVING BASS CLUB TOURNAMENT RULES

1. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY

- A. Any member in good standing including wife and/or husband and children up to the age of 16 are eligible to fish the Club's tournaments. (Ref. ARTICLE II, Section 3 - Constitution).
- B. Each eligible participant must register in a division prior to fishing a club tournament and an entry fee must be paid before a participant can weigh in his or her catch of the day.
- C. Children under the age of 16 will be allowed to fish as a third party or more in any division.
- D. An IBC member can fish with a non-member, no more than two (2) tournaments per year. The member's fish only, will count in the Open Division competition and will qualify for points and standings, as if the member were fishing alone. Non-members will not pay an entry fee nor win any prizes or awards in an IBC tournament. Non-members must obey all IBC rules, including all federal, state laws and local laws.
- E. Members who prepay tournament fees prior to a club tournament start time who are unable to fish shall have the option to receive credit for attending the tournament, receive a refund, or forfeit their attendance and apply their entry fee to the next regular club tournament. Limited to a maximum of two occurrences per calendar year without special Board approval.
- F. Participants must obey all State and Local Laws and rules. Off Limits or restricted areas that are posted at the lake or published in the TP&W rule book will be enforced.

2. DIVISIONS - PER TOURNAMENT

- A. General items:
 - 1) Club tournaments are divided into three divisions; Open, Husband/Wife, and Junior/Senior.
 - 2) A club member can only enter one division in any given club tournament.
 - 3) Total weight as a team counts only in determining club tournament winners.
 - 4) Individual weights count towards yearly club standings.
 - 5) Open Division: (a) any two club members may enter as a team; (b) club members fishing alone must fish in the Open Division.
 - 6) Husband/Wife Division: (a) any husband and wife can fish this division as a team.
 - 7) Junior/Senior Division: (a) any adult club member and a junior are eligible to fish this

division; (b) Juniors fishing in this division must be under the age of 16 and are subject to all club rules; (c) Juniors are not required to be club members, but the adult must be a member in good standing.

- 8) A club member due to some unpredictable reason, whether caused by an accident, no boat, no partner, sickness, etc. can be permitted to fish three (3) in a boat after the tournament committee has investigated the cause. Items in Tournament Rules, Section II, A (2) and (5) must be complied with, meaning two (2) of the members must declare themselves as a team and the third member must enter the tournament as fishing alone in the Open Division.

B. Team Requirements per Tournament

- 1) There shall be a minimum of five (5) teams before a three place division is established, except in the Junior/Senior Division.
- 2) There shall be a minimum of three (3) teams before first place is declared except in the Junior/Senior Division.
- 3) If there are less than three (3) teams in any division, the affected participants shall fish in the Open Division, with the exception of the Junior/Senior Division.
- 4) Team members must fish out of the same boat. Items in tournament rules, Section 2, A. (2), (5), and (8) must be complied with.

3. TYPES OF TACKLE

A. Artificial type lures may be used.

- 1) No baits of the live or natural type may be used except pork rind types.
- 2) All electronic sensing devices may be used. (Examples: depth finders, pH meters, temperature sensors, color sensors.)
- 3) Calling devices may not be used.

B. Rods and Reels

- 1) Any type of rods for casting, spinning or flipping may be used.
- 2) Any type of reels may be used.

4. BOATS AND OTHER CONVEYANCES

A. Any open boat may be used.

- 1) No large cruisers, houseboats or barges are allowed.

B. Small gas or electric trolling motors may be used to maneuver the boat while casting.

C. Trolling with big gas engine is prohibited.

G. Tube fishing and wade fishing is permitted when fishing alone in the Open Division or Junior/Senior Division.

5. ELIGIBILITY OF FISH

A. All fish weighed in must be in accordance with state and local lake laws, except no fish will be weighed in less than twelve (12) inches in length. Any questionable lengths will be measured with the fish's mouth closed in accordance with the rules of Texas Parks and Wildlife.

B. All fish must be kept in good condition and all live fish must be brought to weigh-in in water, in a weigh-in bag.

- 1) All questionable fish may be disqualified by the Tournament Committee.
- C. Each participant will keep his fish separate to facilitate individual club standings. Fish may be kept on ice, livewells, or stringers. If one livewell or stringer is used, a method of identifying each person's catch must be used, such as clipping a fin, or attaching a tag, etc.
- D. The Club limit on the amount of bass brought to the weigh-in is five (5) fish per day; except when the lakes limit is less than five (5) fish per day. If more than the limit is brought to the weigh-in line, the contestant's fish will be culled beginning with the largest fish first, until the limit is reached.
- E. A penalty of one-half (1/2) pound will be deducted for each dead fish weighed in.

6. WEIGH IN PROCEDURES AND CLUB STANDINGS

- A. Weights of each individual member catch shall be as read on the digital weigh in scales (pounds and hundredths of a pound) and totaled progressively during the calendar year for the Club standings.
- B. There are three Club standing divisions: Men, Women, and Juniors.
- C. The Tournament committee will publish in the monthly newsletter the winning teams in each division and also the Club standings.
 - 1) The club tournament winners will be determined by the total weight accumulated during the two (2) days of the monthly tournament.

7. PROTESTS PROCEDURE

- A. Any participant wishing to file a protest as to the weight or condition of another participant's catch or their methods, must do so in writing within thirty (30) minutes after the weigh-in each day to a member of the Tournament Committee.
- B. Such protests must be acted upon one (1) hour after the written protest is given to the Tournament Committee.
- C. The burden of proof shall be upon the protester.
- D. Decisions of the Tournament Committee (or its representatives) shall be final.

8. SELECTION OF LAKES AND HEADQUARTERS

- A. The selection of the lakes and the headquarters for the Club's monthly tournament shall be the responsibility of the Tournament Committee.
- B. Changes to Schedule: Changes must be announced and communicated to the membership as soon as possible.
 - 1) The Tournament Committee can change the dates, lakes and headquarters for Club tournaments due to adverse conditions.

9. TIMES AND DATES

- A. Tournaments will be scheduled on the third weekend of each month, except the November tournament which will be held on the second weekend of the month, and the December tournament will be on the first full weekend of December. The April tournament when falling on Easter weekend and the June tournament when falling on Father's Day weekend may be

moved up one week, at the Tournament Committee's discretion. These revised tournament dates must be documented and publicized by the tournament director, no later than the February club meeting.

- B. Starting times for fishing: A participant cannot start fishing until 30 minutes prior to published sunrise; the times will be published in the monthly newsletter and announced at the meeting before the tournament.
- C. Weigh-in times: Weigh-in times will begin 30 minutes prior to the tournament ending times. Saturday's tournament ending time will be no later than 4:00 p.m.; Sunday's tournament ending time will be no later than 2:00 p.m.
- D. A night tournament can be scheduled during the summer months. The time will be set by the Tournament Committee with the approval of the Board of Directors. Night tournaments will be limited to not more than twelve (12) hours of fishing per day and will be held on the weekend when the moon is full. There can be a night tournament scheduled on a full moon night other than the third weekend, but individual weights will not count toward Club standings. No junior will be allowed to fish a night tournament.
- E. Only fish caught during the tournament times set above for each day will be weighed in.
- F. Entrants may fish Saturday and/or Sunday.

10. TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT

- A. All tournament participants must check-in at the weigh-in, no later than 30 minutes after the weigh-in ending times for both days. (Ref. Tournament Rules – 9. TIMES AND DATES, C). This is a safety precaution to make sure that all participants or teams are accounted for. All participants or teams that fail to check-in by the above time limits will be fined ten dollars (\$10.00). The fine must be paid before the member or members can fish in another tournament.
- B. A participant or team that has checked-out on the tournament record books shall be ineligible to resume fishing for tournament purposes that day and shall not be eligible to weigh in any catch after they have checked-out.

11. RESTRICTIONS

- A. It shall be illegal to fish the tournament lake with a professional guide, who normally guides on that lake for a period of fourteen (14) days immediately prior to the tournament.
- B. Use of a professional guide during a tournament is prohibited.

12. AWARDS

- A. All trophies will be presented to the winners of a tournament at the regular club meeting after the tournament. (1) A trophy can be any type of award, such as a plaque or nametags, which indicate the award contents, patches, prizes, etc.
- B. Big Bass Awards: One (1) trophy each will be presented to the man, the woman, and the junior who catch the largest bass of the tournament.
- C. Team Awards: One (1) trophy shall be awarded to each member of the team, except the Husband/Wife Division (one trophy per team) for the heaviest stringer, the second heaviest stringer and the third heaviest stringer, in each division.

- D. Awards for a First Place Only Division: Open Division will be one (1) trophy per member and the Husband/Wife Division will be one (1) per team.
- E. Ties: If any ties exist duplicate awards will be awarded in any division.
- F. Club Champions: The Club champions shall be the male and female members who amass the greatest total weight during the year, and will be awarded trophies at the Annual Awards Banquet.

13. SPORTSMANSHIP

- A. Sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation are qualities expected from members at all times.
- B. A Sportswoman and Sportsman of the Year award will be given at the end of the year.
- C. The Sportswoman and Sportsman awards will be determined by a write-in ballot by the membership at the December regular meeting and awards will be presented at the Annual Awards Banquet.

IRVING BASS CLUB POLICIES

- A. There shall be separate Big Bass Pot for men and women both days of the tournament.
 - 1) Entry in the Big Bass Pot is voluntary and does not have any bearing on the Club standings.
 - 2) Entry fee for the Big Bass Pot is \$2.00 per day.
 - 3) Monies in the Big Bass Pot will be paid to the contestant who catches the largest bass on Saturday and the remainder will be paid to the contestant who catches the largest bass on Sunday. If no big bass is caught on Saturday, the Saturday money will be added to Sunday's Big Bass Pot for that tournament.
 - 4) No junior will be allowed to enter the Big Bass Pot.
- B. The Irving Bass Club may sponsor two (2) open tournaments each year.
 - 1) The open tournaments will have either a Heavy Stringer and/or a Big Bass Pot.
 - 2) The open tournament will be under the control and supervision of the Board of Directors.
- C. Members who bring children to the club meetings must control them.
- D. Club members will be responsible for their bills at the host marina or motel.
- E. A Big Pike trophy shall be presented to the club members, one senior and one junior, that catches the largest pike when the Club fishes Caddo Lake as a club tournament.
- F. The entry fee for members to enter monthly tournaments shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00) per team for the Open Division, ten dollars (\$10.00) per team for the Junior/ Senior Division and ten dollars (\$10.00) per team for the Husband/Wife Division. Children under the age of sixteen (16), fishing as a third party will have an entry fee of two dollars. (\$2.00)
- G. Entry fee for the Five-Pound Exactly Pot shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per member per tournament and funds into this pot are accumulated until an entrant catches a five (5) pound even bass. This contestant will receive 100% of the money that is in the pot.
Rules for the Five-Pound Exactly Pot are as follows:
 - 1) No person under 16 years of age can enter this pot.
 - 2) The bass has to weigh exactly five (5) pounds as read on the digital scales (before any penalties for dead fish are applied).
 - 3) A tie will split the pot.

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- 4) For any contestant to be eligible to win the Five-Pound Exactly Pot, the contestant must have entered the pot for that specific month.
 - 5) Entry fee for the pot must be paid before a participant can weigh in his or her catch of the day.
 - 6) 50% of the funds in the Five Pound Exacta Pot will be released into the general treasury after the December Tournament.
- H. All children (juniors) under the age of sixteen (16), upon having paid their two dollar (\$2.00) entry fee are eligible to receive a ribbon of recognition for any type of fish that they catch and bring to the club's weigh-in, regardless of whether it was caught from the bank or a boat. Any type of bait may be used to catch the fish.
- I. An individual may become a Lifetime Honorary Member of the Irving Bass Club, when his or her name is presented to and approved by the IBC Board of Directors. If the mentioned individual is or has been a member of the Irving Bass Club (see ARTICLE 2, Section 2 & 3 - Constitution, regarding membership) he or she will maintain those same membership privileges as an honorary member. These privileges would be to attend meetings, to vote and preside in the Club's activities. If the honorary member has not been a member of the Irving Bass Club in the past, he or she will not have those same privileges. The honorary members names will be published in the Club's roster and noted as an honorary member and also receive all publications printed and distributed by the Irving Bass Club. Honorary memberships will not be included in the 500-membership limit of the Irving Bass Club. Honorary members will be honored at the IBC Annual Awards Banquet.
- J. The in-office Tournament Director and Committee will choose and make arrangements for the tournament lake, host motel and weigh-in site for the January Club Tournament and any Open Tournaments for the following year. These arrangements will be announced at the Annual Awards Banquet and reported in the year-end newsletter.

GUIDELINES IN CONDUCTING A REGULAR CLUB MEETING

1. Meeting called to order by the President or by the presiding officer.
2. Recognition of visitors, guests and new members.
3. Reading of the minutes not previously read or approved.
4. Treasurer's monthly report to the Club.
5. Report from standing or special committees.
 - A. Membership Committee – Director-at-Large
 - B. Tournament Committee - Tournament Director
 - C. Fellowship Committee - Vice President
6. All old and unfinished business that needs to come before the membership.
7. All new business that needs to come before the membership.
8. Program if scheduled or can be put on after the meeting is adjourned.
9. If there is no further business, ask for motion to adjourn, and a second.

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