

# Lancaster County Bird Club

Lancaster, Pennsylvania



## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I. - Name

The name of this organization shall be "The Lancaster County Bird Club".

### ARTICLE II. - Object

The object of this club shall be to record the observation of bird life in Lancaster County; and to disseminate in a popular manner the results of such studies; and to provide education concerning the habits and identification of birds; and to secure the cultivation of public sentiment in the preservation of our native bird life.

### ARTICLE III. - Membership

The membership of this club shall consist of the following classes: Regular, Student, Family, Sustaining, and Honorary. The prerogatives of any class of membership shall be obtained by payment of annual dues as established by the Executive Committee.

Section 1. Regular members.

Section 2. Student members shall be those who are enrolled in a formal educational program on a full-time basis.

Section 3. Family members shall consist of parents and their dependent children.

Section 4. Sustaining members shall be those whose dues structure is set in excess of regular member dues for those who wish to contribute extra financial support.

Section 5. Honorary Club members shall be those who have been approved by the Executive Committee and elected by a majority vote at any regular Club meeting. An honorary Club member may be elected as an honorary member of the Executive Committee by the Executive Committee.

### ARTICLE IV. - Officers

Section 1. The Officers of the Club shall be President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding-Membership Secretary, Newsletter Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. The duties of these officers shall be those usually pertaining to their offices.

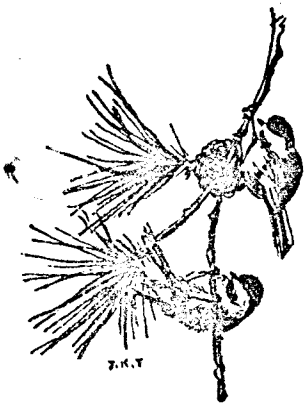
Section 3. These officers, together with eight duly elected members, and any honorary members, shall constitute the Executive Committee.

### ARTICLE V. - Duties of the Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall have general charge of the affairs and funds of the Club. It shall be their duty to fill all vacancies, determine the policies, and devise and adopt such measures as shall advance the interests of the Club. Eight members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall meet on the call of the President.

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## ARTICLE VI. - Committees

The President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall appoint such committees as are required to carry on the work of the Club.

## ARTICLE VII. - Amendments

- Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, the proposed amendment having first received the endorsement of the Executive Committee, and having been presented to the Club at the previous stated meeting of the Club.
- Section 2. The By-Laws of the Club may be adopted, amended, or repealed at any regular meeting of the Club by a two-thirds vote of the members present after having been presented to the Club at the previous stated meeting of the Club.

## BY-LAWS

### ARTICLE I. - Meetings

- Section 1. There shall be a minimum of six (6) regular meetings per operating year (September - May inclusive). The time and place of such meetings shall be designated by the Executive Committee.
- Section 2. The Annual Meeting for the election of officers shall be held in April.
- Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President.
- Section 4. Forty members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Club.

### ARTICLE II. - Dues

The annual dues shall be payable beginning July 1.

### ARTICLE III. - Elections

- Section 1. A nominating committee of at least three shall be appointed by the President at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting. This committee shall present the names of candidates for offices and the names of the candidates for the eight Executive Committee memberships. The consent of these candidates shall be obtained before their names are presented to the Club to be voted upon. Newly elected officers shall assume their duties immediately following the May meeting.
- Section 2. Offices becoming vacant during the year shall be filled by the Executive Committee. Such appointments shall hold until the next Annual Meeting.

### ARTICLE IV. - Rules of Order

The deliberations of all meetings shall be governed by Robert's "Rules of Order".

December 1, 1951

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