

**BY-LAWS
of the
AMERICAN DRESSER ASSOCIATION**

PRESIDENTS



JIM HOWARD	1981
CARL REAMES	1982-1983†
RON BOLLET	1984
TONY CARDAROPOLI	1985†
LOREN (SARGE) DUVALL	1986-1987†
JACK HARRIS	1988-1989
JOE GOENAGA	1990-1992*
PETE PEDRO	1993
KATHRYN DELIA	1994-1995†
GARY HULSHOF	1996-1997†
REX NEIHARDT	1998
RICHARD SCALES	1999-2000
JIM VENNEAU	2001
RON CASTNER	2002-2003
AL HARVARD	2004-2005
TONY EVANS	2006-2007
RICHARD SCALES	2008
MANUEL BENAVIDEZ	2009-2010

*Bob Kennedy, 1992 Ex VP, presided as President for the last 11 months

† = Deceased

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- A. A. The name of this Association is: American Dresser Association.

ARTICLE II **PRIMARY LOCATION** [Back to top](#)

- A The principal office for the transaction of business of this Association shall be located in the County of Orange, State of California, United States of America.

ARTICLE III **PURPOSE** [Back to top](#)

- A. A. The primary and specific purpose of this Association is to promote interest in the full dress Harley-Davidson "touring" motorcycle.
B. B. To promote the fun of family motorcycle riding.
C. C. To promote pride of ownership and active participation.
D. D. To promote involved membership in community and government activities.
E. E. To service the membership throughout the United States of America.
F. F. Dedicated to the preservation of a living legend...The Harley-Davidson Dresser Motorcycle.

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Section I **Applications** [Back to top](#)

- A. A. All applications and fees shall be submitted to the Executive Board. After review of the application they will vote (a majority vote) to either accept or reject the proposed membership(s). All fees will then be turned over to the Treasurer for deposit to the appropriate accounts or they will be returned to the disapproved applicants.

Section II **Qualifications** [Back to top](#)

- A. A. An individual is eligible for FULL membership provided that he or she meets all of the following requirements:

1. 1. Must have submitted an application along with proper dues or renewal fees.
 2. 2. Must be eighteen (18) or more years of age or have the written consent of their parent or guardian allowing their participation in the Association.
 3. 3. Must have a valid Motorcycle License complying with the State of Vehicle Registration or be a regular passenger of a full member.
 4. 4. Must meet the minimum requirements of liability insurance set by the State of Vehicle Registration.
 5. 5. Be a regular passenger of a full member or an operating rider of a Harley-Davidson FL Series with windshield and saddle bags subject to approval of the Executive Board.
 6. 6. Persons under this section shall have the right to vote and hold office.
- B. B. Persons not eligible for full membership may become ASSOCIATE members by meeting the following requirements:
1. 1. Submit an application and be a dependent minor of a FULL member or be a FULL member that no longer rides or owns an Association approved motorcycle.
 2. 2. ASSOCIATE members shall not be required to pay dues. However, they do have the right to purchase and use Association insignias. Associate members are not entitled to new membership packages or newsletters. If however, they wish to receive the newsletter, they will be required to pay FULL membership dues.
 3. 3. Persons under this section shall not be able to vote or hold office.
- C. C. Membership Renewal
1. 1. A member must meet all the qualifications as noted above to renew his or her membership.

Section III

Dues and Initiation Fees

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- A. A. Annual dues shall be: [Back to top](#)
1. 1. Twenty dollars (\$20.00) per year and will be renewable on each members anniversary date. Dues are non-refundable. The members anniversary date shall be the first day of the month following the members approval.
 2. 2. Dues are to be presented with membership application to the Association. If for some reason the member's application is not approved, their fees shall be returned.
 3. 3. Members shall be notified in writing by the Assistant Secretary thirty (30) days in advance of the expiration date of their dues. Dues not paid ninety

- (90) days after the expiration date will cause the member to be automatically dropped from the Association and their membership number will be retired.
4. 4. Members dropped in accordance with this section that desire a reinstatement of membership will be required to comply with Article IV, Section IV (A. 1.). In addition they shall also be required to pay fifteen dollars (\$15.00) reinstatement fee.

B. B. Initiation Fee [Back to top](#)

1. 1. The initiation fee for the American Dresser Association is thirty (\$30.00).
2. 2. The initiation fee entitles each new member to : a copy of the By-Laws; a shoulder patch; a decal; an Association name badge; and a membership card.

ARTICLE V **NOMINATION OF OFFICERS**

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Section I: **Nominees**

- A. A. There should be at least two (2) nominees for each office.
- B. B. Members eligible for nomination to the office of President must:
 1. 1. Have served at least six (6) months as an officer of the American Dresser Association.
 2. 2. Be a member in good standing of the American Dresser Association for a period of at least twelve (12) months immediately prior to nomination.
 3. 3. Be willing to serve in the office of President.
 4. 4. Be available to attend the regular meetings of the Association.
- C. C. Members eligible for nomination to offices other than President must:
 1. 1. Be a member in good standing of the American Dresser Association.
 2. 2. Be willing to serve in the office to which he or she is to be nominated.
 3. 3. Be available to attend the regular meetings of the Association.

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Section I: **Election Committees**

- A. A. The Election Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Board at the July meeting to select Executive Board nominees.

Section II: **Nominations from the floor**

- A. A. At the October meeting the Election Committee Chairperson shall read the proposed slate of officers. After the nominees for each office is read, the Chair

shall then ask for nominations from the floor. Nominations then made and duly seconded shall be added to the slate of nominees.

Section III: Voting

- A. A. The Secretary or Assistant Secretary shall, after the October Quarterly meeting, mail ballots to the last known address of all members in good standing of the American Dresser Association. The ballots are to be returned by mail to the Association post office box. To be counted, ballots must be received by November 30th.
- B. B. The Ballot Committee members shall be the only members present at the actual counting of the ballots and there shall be a minimum of three (3) committee members at the counting. The votes shall be counted by December 10th.
- C. C. Announcement of the election results shall be the responsibility of the Ballot Committee Chairperson. He or she shall notify all nominees within one week of the vote counting and publish the results of the election in the next edition of the Association newsletter and report to the general membership at the General meeting held in January.
- D. D. For the purpose of review or recount, the ballots and envelopes are to be held by the Ballot Committee Chairperson for a period of forty five (45) days after the installation of officers and then, if there are no exceptions taken to the election, the ballots and envelopes shall be destroyed. If there are any exceptions taken, the highest ranking officer not involved in the exception(s) shall issue instructions to the Ballot Committee Chairperson.

ARTICLE VII INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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Section I: Installation

- A. A. Newly elected officers shall be installed as the last item of business at the General Membership meeting in January and shall assume their duties at the close of the meeting.

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Section I: Officers

- A. A. ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS: President; Executive Vice President; Administrative Vice President; Assistant Vice President(s); Secretary; Assistant Secretary; Treasurer; Assistant Treasurer; Sergeant-At-Arms; Area Representatives and Past President. Assistant Vice President(s) and Area

Representatives are ex-officio members of the Executive Board and are not to be counted when determining a quorum for a meeting.

- B. B. The President will call a special Board meeting consisting of the outgoing and incoming Board members immediately following the January General Meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to familiarize the incoming Board of their duties and the transfer of records.

Section II: Duties of Officers

- A. A. President. To preside at all Executive board meetings and General Membership meetings of this Association. Is not required to cast a vote but may do so. To have general supervision of the affairs of the Association. To personally represent the Association on appropriate occasions and to represent the Association regarding approved business contracts. To recommend for appointment any committee chairpersons or committees not otherwise provided for in this set of By-Laws, subject to ratification by the Executive Board. To assist all officers in the execution of their duties. Shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The President shall be responsible for the post office box which is to be used for Association business only.

- 1. 1. Should the President be absent the following Officers shall serve in this order: Executive Vice President; Administrative Vice President; Secretary; Treasurer;

- B. B. Executive Vice President. To perform the duties of the President in his or her absence. To complete the unexpired term of the President in the event a vacancy should occur. To assist the President in maintaining a liaison with other organizations and perform such other tasks as the President may so direct.

- 1. 1. Should the office of President become vacant, the Executive Vice President shall immediately assume the office of President and vacate the office of Executive Vice President.

- C. C. Administrative Vice President. To assist the President and the Executive Vice President in all matters. To supervise and co-ordinate the activities of all committees.

- 1. 1. Should the office of Executive Vice President become vacant, the Administrative Vice President shall immediately assume the office of Executive Vice President and vacate the office of Administrative Vice President.

- D. Assistant Vice President(s). Harley-Davidson dealers that are members in good standing of this Association automatically hold this office. Dealers have the right to run for election for any other office on the Executive Board.
- E. Secretary. Shall record the minutes of all meetings of the Board and shall submit such minutes to the Board members within seven (7) days of a meeting. He or she shall have the minutes of the preceding six (6) months at each meeting and also maintain a file of all past minutes to be presented to the incoming Secretary at the close of the January meeting.
- F. Assistant Secretary. Shall perform the duties of the Secretary in his or her absence. Shall prepare the correspondence for the Association. Shall maintain a copy file of all correspondence and minutes. Shall mail dues renewal notices. Shall present all files to the incoming Assistant Secretary following the January meeting. Shall perform such other tasks as the Secretary may direct.
- G. Treasurer. To be responsible for collecting and depositing all monies due. To make all payments from the appropriate funds when ordered by the Board. To keep an account of all money matters. To complete a Financial Report on a quarterly basis and report the same at the Association General Membership meetings. To be responsible for the filing of yearly tax reports to the appropriate agencies when due. To serve as a member of both the Budget and Finance Committee for audit within seven (7) days after the installation of the incoming Treasurer.
- H. Assistant Treasurer. To perform the duties of the Treasurer in his or her absence. To serve as a member of both the Budget and Finance Committees. To assist the Treasurer in the preparation of the yearly tax reports. Mail dues receipts to members renewing their memberships and new membership packages to new members. To perform such other tasks as the Treasurer may direct.
- I. Sergeant-At-Arms. To enforce all rules and regulations of the Association at meetings, tours, and social functions. To keep and maintain order at all times. To collect all fines and to turn same over to the Treasurer for deposit to the proper account.
- J. Area Representatives. Appointed by the Executive Board are to coordinate all activities in his or her area, promote the Association and perform such tasks as the Executive Board may request Area Representatives hold full voting rights on the Executive Board.
- K. Past President. The immediate Past President who shall have served a completed term, shall serve as an advisor to the Executive Board. He or she shall have full voting rights on the Executive Board.
- L. Vacancy in Office. Should any Association Executive Board office other than President or Executive Vice President become vacant, the President shall appoint another member in good standing to the vacated office. The President shall, at the next General Meeting, ask for the approval of his or her appointment by the general membership. A simple majority of the members in good standing is required for approval.

Section I: Governing Body

- A. A. The Executive Board shall serve as the governing body of this Association.

Section II: Term of Office

- A. A. All elected officers shall serve a one (1) year term to commence immediately following their installation and continue until their successors are installed.

Section III: Vacancy of Office

- A. A. Resignation. Any elected officer wishing to resign may do so at any time but is requested to submit, in writing, his or her resignation sixty (60) days prior to leaving office.
- B. B. Unexcused Absences. Any elected officer missing three (3) consecutive regularly scheduled meeting or four (4) consecutive official functions may be removed from office upon ratification of the Executive Board. Assistant Vice Presidents and Area Representatives are Exempt from this rule.
- C. C. Any Officer may be removed from office for performing an act deemed detrimental to the goals and standards of this Association by a two thirds vote of the Executive Board.
1. 1. Any officer removed from office has 60 days to submit a written request for a hearing before the Executive Board and any accusers of misconduct. Such meeting must be held within 60 days of receipt of such request or the removal from office will automatically be reversed. A two thirds vote of the Executive Board will be required to uphold the removal from office.
2. 2. Any Officer being removed from office shall be ineligible to hold a future office in this Association.

ARTICLE X REVOCATION OF MEMBERSHIP

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Section I: Definition

- A. A. Revocation. Consists of permanent loss of all Association rights and privileges.

Section II: Rules of Revocation

- A. A. Any member may be expelled or suspended for conduct unbecoming a member of this Association.

1. 1. Any member having his or her membership revoked has 60 days to submit a written request for a hearing before the Executive Board and any accusers of misconduct. Such meeting must be held within 60 days of receipt of such request or the revocation of membership will automatically be reversed. A two thirds vote of the Executive Board will be required to uphold the revocation of membership.

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Section I: Manner of Payment

- A. A. All Association bills and expenditures shall be paid for in the form of an Association check.
- B. B. All expenditures in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall require prior approval of the Board before payment is made.
- C. C. All checks are to be signed by one (1) of the following two (2) officers: Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer and countersigned by one of the following (3) officers: President, Executive Vice President, or Administrative Vice President.
- D. D. A check may not be signed by any two (2) officers of the same family.

ARTICLE XII STANDING COMMITTEES

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Section I: Permanent Committees

- A. A. The following committees shall be permanent "standing" committees of this Association operating under their respective Board:

1. 1. Budget Committee
2. 2. Finance Committee
3. 3. By-Laws Committee
4. 4. Election Committee
5. 5. Ballot Committee

Section II: Committee Chairpersons

- A. A. The President shall recommend for appointment the Committee Chairperson. Appointment must be ratified by a majority vote of the Board.
- B. B. No one (1) person shall serve as Chairperson of more than one (1) committee concurrently.

Section III: Sizes of Committee

- A. A. All Standing Committees shall consist of a Chairperson and four (4) members. The President is an ex-officio member of all committees

- B. B. The Standing Committees structures are as follows:
1. 1. Budget Committee. Shall consist of the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and three (3) members from the general membership.
 2. 2. Finance Committee. Shall consist of the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and three (3) members from the general membership.
 3. 3. By-Laws Committee. Shall consist of any two (2) officers and three (3) members from the general membership.
 4. 4. The Ballot Committee shall consist of any five (5) members that are not on the ballot.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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Section I: Formation

- A. A. Special committees are formed at the direction of the President for the usual purpose of a special one time only job.
- B. B. The President shall appoint the Chairperson for each special committee subject to a majority ratification of the Board. The Board shall set the numbers needed to serve on the committee.
- C. C. Upon completion of task the special committee shall be disbanded.

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MEETINGS

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Section I: General Membership

- A. A. Association general business meetings will be held during the months of January, April, July, and October, within the state of California. Notification of the date and location will be mailed to all members in good standing via the Association newsletter. A majority of fifty one percent (51%) of the Executive Board must be present to conduct business at General membership meetings. A special membership meeting may be held provided that thirty (30) days written notice has been mailed to all members in good standing prior to the meeting date. Special meetings maybe called as deemed necessary by the Association President or a majority of the Executive Board. All special meetings will have the option of being an open or closed meeting. Notice must be given to all Executive Board members prior to the special meeting date. A majority of fifty one percent (51%) of the Executive Board must be present to conduct business at any special meeting.

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Section I: Order of business

- A. A. Call to order.
- B. B. Invocation (at General Membership meetings).
- C. C. Flag salute (at General Membership meetings).
- D. D. Recognition of guests.

- E. E. Reading of the minutes and their approval.
- F. F. Correspondence.
- G. G. Treasurer's report.
- H. H. Newsletter report.
- I. I. Committee reports.
- J. J. Old or unfinished business.
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- M. M. Announcements.
- N. N. Adjournment.

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Section I:

Membership Total

- A. A. This Association shall be considered disbanded when the membership is five (5) members or less.

Section II:

Treasury

- A. A. In the event that this Association is disbanded, all money remaining in the treasury after payment of all debts, shall be given to a recognized charity.

Section III:

Notice of Disbandment

- A. A. Notice of disbandment, financial statement, charity designated as recipient and the amount donated shall be reported to the Association Secretary and published in a leading local newspaper.

ARTICLE XVII

AMENDMENTS

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Section I:

Procedures

- A. A. Any member may submit a proposed amendment to the By-Laws Committee amendment will be submitted to the Association Executive Board in writing at least sixty (60) days prior to the Association General Membership meeting. The Association Executive Board will mail to all members in good standing, at their last known address, a copy of all proposed amendments thirty (30) days prior to the General meeting. Absentee ballots along with the proposed By-Law amendments shall be mailed to all Area Representatives at least thirty days prior to the General Membership meeting. Amendments shall require a 2/3's vote of the returned ballots and the voting members in good standing present at the

meeting to ratify the proposed amendments. in writing ninety (90) days prior to a General meeting. Such proposed

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Section I:

Rules of the Association

- A. Roberts Rules of Order (most current edition) shall govern all meetings of this Association unless otherwise provided for in this set of by-laws.

Section II:

Laws of the Land

- A. This set of By-Laws shall in no way knowingly conflict with any local, state, or federal law.
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