

Bylaws of The Lone Star Chapter, Traditional Small Craft Association, Inc.

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Lone Star Traditional Small Craft Association, hereinafter, the LSTSCA. It shall function as a chapter of the national organization, The Traditional Small Craft Association, Inc., hereinafter called the TSCA. LSTSCA shall be affiliated with The Scow Schooner Project of the Galveston and Trinity Bay Marine Museum, hereinafter, TSSP.

ARTICLE II: DEFINITIONS

For all purposes hereof "traditional small craft" shall mean boats built from designs developed prior to the gasoline marine engine, for sail or manual propulsion. Modern or historical variants or adaptations of traditional designs fall within this definition.

ARTICLE III: PURPOSES

The purpose of LSTSCA shall be to encourage the study, construction, and use of traditional small craft. It shall also support efforts of the National TSCA in its function as spokesman for traditional small craft builders, owners, and enthusiasts on any subject that pertains to traditional small craft. Further, the LSTSCA will be a communication conduit between The Scow Schooner Project and the TSCA for the purpose of promoting the use of traditional small craft in Texas and surrounding areas.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

The officers of this chapter shall be a designated spokesperson and such other officers, as the chapter deems necessary. The designated spokesperson's duty shall be to act as liaison between this chapter and the national Association, and to serve as the contact person for others in the local area in need of information concerning this chapter. The spokesperson shall also act as a liaison to TSSP Board of Directors. TSSP Board may assign other duties such as a newsletter and event coordination.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

1. Any member of TSCA with annual dues paid is eligible for membership in the Lone Star Chapter.

2. The chapter may elect to collect dues for its own operation, independent of the national dues. In the above event, paid membership in TSSP will include membership in the LSTSCA as long as national dues are also current. The chapter may also choose to combine local and national dues, and forward the portion representing the national dues to the Treasurer, TSCA, PO Box 350, Mystic, Conn. 06355, on a yearly basis.
3. The chapter acknowledges that its financial activities are independent of the national Association, and, aside from the business of dues, there is no financial relationship between the chapter and the national Association.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS OF BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the LSTSCA membership whose dues are fully paid at any meeting of the Chapter, provided that notice of the proposed amendments is made to each member in good standing 10 days before such meeting. A copy of changes approved by the Chapter shall be filed with TSCA National within 30 days of such change.

ARTICLE VII: DISCONTINUANCE

- 1.) In the event that Chapter membership declines to less than five National TSCA members it, will be notified by the TSCA Chapter Coordinator that its affiliation will be terminated after 30 days unless a minimum of five members is reestablished.
- 2.) The LSTSCA may terminate its status with the national TSCA upon 6 months' notice in writing and the TSCA may discontinue affiliation with the LSTSCA upon 6 months written notice.