

**NORTHWEST GTO LEGENDS
CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS**

A Chapter of the GTO Association of America

ARTICLE I

SECTION 1 NAME

The name of the club is Northwest GTO Legends.

SECTION 2 PURPOSE

The general purpose of the club shall be to encourage planned trips, events, social activities, auto exhibitions, displays, and road rally events. To assist the owner of this fine automobile in locating hard to find parts and services, and to assist the owner with the proper restoration and car care hints.

ARTICLE II

SECTION 1 MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the club shall be restricted to owners of GTOs and persons interested in GTOs and the purpose of the club. The Board of Directors reserves the right to review membership applications for final acceptance into the club.

SECTION 2 MEMBERS

A member shall be any person as provided in Section I of this Article and having paid annual dues as required. All Northwest GTO Legends members shall be included in club rosters, lists, events, and projects. Members in good standing shall be eligible to hold office in the club. This definition shall not preclude the club from holding GTO, Le Mans, Tempest only events such as one might reasonably expect in a show or race.

SECTION 3 DUES

Annual dues for members shall be recommended by the Board of Directors with approval of membership at next general meeting.

SECTION 4 PAYMENT OF DUES

Members will be expected to pay twelve (12) month membership fees, due January 1st of each fiscal year. Dues for the fiscal year are \$25.00 (member and household). Members joining later in the year – dues will be prorated by quarter (\$6.00 per quarter).

All dues are non refundable.

- A. Any member not paying dues by December 31st of each fiscal year, shall have their membership automatically suspended, and shall not be reinstated until payment has been made.
- B. Members upon acceptance and payment of proper dues shall receive a name tag and club roster.
- C. New members shall be required to pay dues at time of application to club.
- D. Any fee or fine incurred by the club's account through the negligence of any member, shall be paid by that member. If the club must pay the fee or fine and is not reimbursed for the fee or fine within 60 days of the incident, the member will be permanently suspended from the club.

SECTION 5 PRIVILEGES

All paid members, in good standing, are entitled to all club privileges.

SECTION 6 EXPULSION / BAD STANDING

Any member may be suspended by a majority vote of the club for just cause. This suspension may be reviewed by the Board of Directors at which time the final decision will be rendered. A member may be put in bad standing for failure to pay dues or for activities or actions as deemed by the board or majority vote to be counter productive to the purpose and general harmony of the club.

SECTION 7 RESIGNATION

Any member may resign their membership by directing a letter of resignation to the Board of Directors. The resignation shall be effective on receipt, provided all indebtedness to the club is paid.

SECTION 8 CLUB PARTICIPATION

Beginning January 1st of each fiscal year each member will be given point for club participation as follows:

- Attending Meetings:..... 10 points
- Attending Events:..... 5 points
- Volunteering for Club Event..... 25 points
- Newsletter Article Contribution..... 15 points
- Signing up with GTOAA when paying dues..... 10 points
- New Member Recruit..... 10 points

Member(s) of the Year awards will be given for the most points at the Awards Banquet.

ARTICLE III

SECTION 1 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

The Annual Awards Banquet shall be held in December in place of the regular business meeting for the purposes of thanking the outgoing officers and to welcome in the new officers for the coming business year. The awarding of the Peter B. Madueno plaque to the member or members of the year and our holiday gift exchange will be held at the Annual Awards Banquet.

SECTION 2 MONTHLY MEETINGS

Regular monthly meetings shall be held on the first (1st) Saturday of each month at a prearranged time and place. In the event that the meeting is to be held on an alternate Saturday, a majority of the membership attending the previous meeting shall vote on and approve the alternative and the membership present will be notified of the change.

SECTION 3 SPECIAL MEETINGS

In addition to any provision of the Law, special meetings of the club may be called by the President or by a majority of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4 ELECTIONS

Nominations of elected officers will take place at the October business meeting. Elections by written, secret ballot will be conducted at the Annual Awards Banquet held during the month of December. In the event of resignation of any Board Member a new officer shall be elected, or appointed at the first business meeting after the resignation has been received, reviewed and accepted by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 1 OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

A. Elected Officers

Elected Officers shall consist of:

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer

B. Appointed Positions

Appointed Positions shall consist of:

- a. Newsletter Editor
- b. Membership Chairperson
- c. Promotions Chairperson
- d. Webmaster
- e. Historian
- f. Legislative Chairperson
- g. Events Coordinator
- h. Board Member at Large
- i. Racing Chairperson

SECTION 2 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of all above mentioned "Elected Officers" in Section 1A.

ARTICLE V

SECTION 1 DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

A. President

The President shall preside at all business meetings and Board meetings. He (She) may call special meetings under provisions of Article III. He (She) shall be the Chief Executive of the club.

B. Vice President

In the absence of the President or in the case of his (her) resignation or inability to act on the duties usually pertaining to that office shall be performed by the Vice President. He (She) shall act as a liaison with different clubs and shall assist other Board members with public relations duties of the club.

C. Secretary

The Secretary will keep written record of all business and agendas discussed at the meetings and read **condensed** minutes of the previous meetings. He (She) will be responsible for maintaining the point tally sheets from each business meeting or designated club event for the purpose of choosing the annual club member(s) of the year.

D. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be made by the Board of Directors have custody of all monies of the club and deposit same in the club's banking account. He (She) shall make all payments of the club. All contracts, checks drafts, notes or other orders for payment of money shall be signed in the name of the club by either the Treasurer or the President. He (She) shall give bond, at club expense if required by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall give a report on the financial status of the club at each monthly business meeting, and if so requested, at any other meeting of the Board of Directors. No obligation, debt or other liability shall be incurred by the Treasurer without specific approval of the board of Directors. The Treasurer shall not be held personally responsible for club indebtedness. **He/she shall also make available the club roster both online and at club meetings.**

SECTION 2 DUTIES OF APPOINTED POSITIONS

A. Newsletter Editor

The responsibility of the Newsletter Editor(s) shall be to gather information for the Newsletter and to see that the paper is printed and that each member receives a copy either by mail or at club meetings.

B. Membership Chairperson

The responsibility of Membership Chairperson shall be to promote the club to Pontiac enthusiasts and the general public. He (She) shall provide the club with membership forms and flyers for distributions. The Membership Chairperson will also send letters and membership packets to all interested persons. He (She) shall introduce all new members at regular business meetings.

C. Promotions Chairperson

The responsibility of the Promotions Chairperson is to promote the club. The two basic sections of promotions shall be:

- a. Promoting all club activities and events assigning promotion liaison to work with event specific coordinator.
- b. Promoting advertising and sponsorship in order to generate funding for club maintenance and activities.

D. Webmaster

The responsibility of the Webmaster shall be establishing and maintaining and updating the club website, including but not limited to rosters and advertising as well as club information, forms, forums, and articles. The Webmaster coordinates with the Newsletter Editor(s) and Membership Chairperson for updating web material and mailing lists and rosters. He (She) is the primary contact for club email activity. The Webmaster establishes and maintains a central data bank of sources of technical information for club members.

E. Historian

The responsibility of the Historian is to maintain the club archives of the newsletter, events and club projects and activities.

F. Legislative Chairperson

The responsibility of the Legislative Chairperson is to maintain awareness of legislation and proposed legislation which may affect the car collecting hobby. He (She) reports the findings to the club as needed.

G. Events Coordinator

The responsibility of the of the Events Coordinator is to obtain a chairperson for each event such as the Annual Awards Banquet, and other club social events. In the absence of the Events Coordinator, the Vice President will be responsible for this duty.

ARTICLE VI

SECTION 1 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The President shall appoint such committees as he deems necessary and shall outline the duties and responsibilities of such committees. Any Board Member shall have the authority to appoint committees or committee members as needed per their designated area.

SECTION 2 ACTIVITIES

The activities of the club shall consist of planned trips, social gatherings, events, exhibitions, car shows, road rallies and fund raising event as planned by the Promotions Committee, Events Coordinator(s) and/or the club Board of Directors and voted on by a majority at club meetings.

ARTICLE VII

SECTION 1 FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall be from January 1st to December 31st.

SECTION 2 ELECTION YEAR

Terms of officers shall be served from January 1st through December 31st of each year.

ARTICLE VIII

SECTION 1 PERSONAL LIABILITY

All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with or having any claim against the club or the Board of Directors shall look only to the funds and property of the club for payment of any such contract of claim or for payment of any debt, damage, judgment, or decree, or any other money that may otherwise become due or payable to them from the Corporation or the Board of Directors, so that neither the members of the club, the Board of Directors, present or future, shall be liable personally thereof.

ARTICLE IX

SECTION 1 AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors of the Club, or any majority of members in good standing, by written proposals submitted to the Board of Directors, may propose an amendment to the By-Laws. If a majority of the members qualified to vote, vote in favor of the proposal at the meeting, the proposal amendment shall thereby be approved and adopted.