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**Silver Valley Good Sam  
Idaho Good Sam Chapter  
A Chapter of the Good Sam Club**

**I NAME**

- 1. The name of this Chapter shall be SILVER VALLEY GOOD SAMs**

**II PURPOSE**

- 1. The object of this Chapter shall be to provide a basis for the people interested in recreational vehicle travel. To group people to gather for enjoyment of our Federal, State, and local parks, and other recreational facilities; to foster courtesy, safety, and neatness, not only while in camp but also on the highway and to monitor and to act for or against favorable or un favorable recreational vehicle legislation. The Constitution of the Good Sam Club is accepted as the constitution and guide lines for the conduct of this chapter.**
- 2. The Chapter will only use the Good Sam name and logo in good taste and to promote the Good Sam pledge, Chapter activities and in a manner consistent with the Club constitution, By-Laws and general policies of the Club.**
- 3. The Chapter agrees to cease and desist from all use of the Good Sam name and logo upon loss of its Charter from the Club for any reason.**

**III MEMBERSHIP**

- 1. Any person enjoying outdoor recreations, and who is a member in good standing of the Good Sam Club, is eligible for membership in the Silver Valley Good Sams.**
- 2. Each membership will include one (1) couple or single and any dependent children, enjoying outdoor recreation. All members of the family regularly living at one home shall be considered a family unit.**
- 3. Membership shall be limited to (30) family units.**
- 4. A family unit shall not have more than (2) votes**

5. All prospective members to the Chapter may attend two (2) campouts and or meetings before submitting an application for membership.
6. For the election of officers each eligible voter must be present in person to cast his or her vote.

#### **IV DUES**

1. The annual dues shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00) per year per family unit. Any unit joining after the month of June shall pay pro-rated share of Two Dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).
2. Dues must be paid by January 1, After sixty (60) days, non-paying members may be subjected to forfeiture of membership.
3. Any member who has permanently moved from the area, or any member whose conduct is not in keeping with principles set forth in the Good Sam Constitution or these Standing Rules may be dropped from membership. Such action must be recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by two thirds (2/3) written votes of the membership attending that meeting.
4. Reinstatement of dropped members shall be by application to the Executive Committee, who shall act on the merits of the applicant, and shall determine what, if any back dues are to be paid.
5. Assessments as needed for special events may be levied by a majority vote of the members at a regular meeting.

#### **V OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS**

1. The officers of this Chapter shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Head Wagon-master, Publicity Chairman, and Legislative Representative. A member must be an active member in good standing for a minimum of one (1) year prior to becoming eligible for election to any office.
2. The President shall appoint at the August meeting, a nominating committee of three (3) members. They shall, at the September meeting, present in nomination the names of no less than one (1) willing candidate for each Chapter office.
3. Nominations may be presented at the October or the September meeting prior to the election provided any member so nominated has approved the presentation and has expressed a willingness to serve in the particular office.
4. The Election of Officers shall be by written ballot at the September meeting.
5. No Officer shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.
6. The elected Officers shall be installed and take over their duties at the October general meeting.
7. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Executive Committee.

## **VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

- 1. The President shall conduct the business meeting of the membership, act as chairman of the Executive Committee, appoint all committees, be an ex-officio member of each committee, but with no vote. The President or appointed proxy shall be the representative, of the Chapter at all state meetings. The Chapter shall pay the representative, forty (.40) cents per mile round trip for each trip.**
- 2. The Vice-President shall conduct the meetings of the membership and of the Executive Committee in the absence of the President, and shall assist him or her in coordination of the committees.**
- 3. The Secretary shall keep a record of the membership and Executive Committee meetings and conduct the correspondence. In the event both the President and Vice President are absent, the Secretary shall call the meeting to order, and select a president pro tem to provide for that meeting. The Secretary shall also maintain the Chapter Roster on the state website and furnish updated copies to the other officers.**
- 4. The Treasurer shall keep a record of, and receive all monies, pay all bills approved by the Executive Committee, or as approved by the Standing Rules and make reports to the membership.**
- 5. The Publicity Chairman shall prepare information concerning future meetings, and other news of interest to submit to the local newspaper as well as send information, articles, and pictures to the Idaho State Good Sam Club and/or other publications.**
- 6. Head Wagon Master, with an assistant(s) selected by him/her for each monthly activity, shall arrange trips, campouts, and caravans, and shall notify the Executive Committee of the plans, and either he or she or the assistants shall lead and take charge of each outing. The Head Wagon Master will also handle the collection and payment of fees for such an activity. The Head Wagon Master shall be responsible for the cook wagon to be taken to the campouts as needed. The Head Wagon Master shall be paid at the rate of forty (.40) cents per mile, by the Chapter for necessary scouting trips.**
- 7. The Legislative Representative shall keep informed on potential legislation which may affect RV owners and notify the Chapter members and the State Legislative Representative of same and shall work to promote the best interests of the Club and Chapters in such matters.**
- 8. The Executive Committee shall consist of seven (7) officers. They shall meet at the call of the president, plan membership meetings and shall make recommendations to the membership on matters of policy or needed changes. They shall approve or disapprove plans for campouts, or other recreation activities as suggested by the Head Wagon Master and/or assistant(s). Four (4) members shall constitute a quorum for the Executive Committee.**

## **VII MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

- 1. A Business meeting of the membership shall be held each calendar month, either while on campout, or at the headquarters, or elsewhere.**
- 2. The home of the President shall be the headquarters for the Chapter.**

3. The membership meetings shall be held during the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Friday of the month or at a campout, which shall be held the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) week of the month. A change of time and place may be determined at the previous meeting.
4. Twenty (20) percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum for conduction of business.
5. The Order of Business for membership meetings shall be:
  - a. Call to Order
  - b. Salute the Flag
  - c. Roll call of Officers and members
  - d. Introductions (Visitors, guests, new to be members.
  - e. Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting.
  - f. Reading of minutes of previous Executive Committee meeting.
  - g. Report of Treasurer.
  - h. Reports of Committees, including Wagon Master.
  - i. Communications.
  - j. Old Business.
  - k. Election of Officers
    - Appoint Nomination Committee (August)
    - Nominations and Elections (September)
    - Installation of Officers (October)
  - l. New Business
  - m. Announcements
  - n. Adjournment.

## **VIII CHAPTER EMBLEM**

1. Chapter Emblem shall be designed and approved by the Good Sam Club

## **IX STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. A Research Committee may be appointed to work with the Wagon Master and assistant(s) to investigate recreational areas and report to the Executive Committee proposed locations for future trips and campouts; reports may include such items as history, points of interest, regulations and other details which might be pertinent to such a trip.
2. A Hospitality Committee may be appointed to handle details for Chapter parties and potlucks, or to provide entertainment suitable for campouts, or regular membership meetings.
3. A social Committee may be appointed to send cards to members on birthdays, anniversaries, illness, or bereavement of a family member.
4. A Historical Committee may be established to maintain, both in writing and pictorially a history of the Chapter.
5. Any other committee may be appointed by the President as needed.

**X MEMORIALS**

**Upon the death of a member in good standing, the Chapter shall donate ten dollars (\$10) to the family of the deceased member to be used for a memorial of their choice.**

**XI AMENDMENTS**

- 1. All proposed amendments to these Standing Rules must be submitted in writing and read at three (3) regular meetings of the membership prior to voting. The proposed amendment(s) will be researched by the Executive Committee to determine that there is no conflict with the Club Constitution, and if satisfactory, it shall be referred to the membership for vote. If two thirds (2/3) of the members present, vote in favor of the amendment(s), it shall be effective immediately.**

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**President**

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**Date**

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**State Director**

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**Regional Director**

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