

ANGLE TREE STONE ROD AND GUN CLUB

By-Laws Adopted October 13, 1949  
With Amendments to April 1, 2014 and accepted March 11, 2015

ARTICLE I

*Name*

The name of this organization shall be known as ANGLE TREE  
STONE ROD AND GUN CLUB, INC

ARTICLE II

*Objects*

The purpose of the association will be to preserve, restore and manage the fish, game and other wildlife and its habitat within Massachusetts while maintaining friendly relations with land owners and neighbors. The association's membership will cooperate and maintain proper respect for and observance of the fish and game laws and spread the useful knowledge of wildlife among the residents of Massachusetts.

ARTICLE III

*Membership*

*Section 1.* Any person interested in membership in this club may make written application for membership accompanied by payment of the current annual dues. The applicant shall be recommended by a member of the club and he/she may become a member upon a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

*Section 2.* Annual dues shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Dues shall become due and payable on the second Thursday of January of each year. Any member whose dues are in arrears on the second Thursday of February shall automatically cease to be a member of this club.

ARTICLE IV

Fiscal Year and Meetings

*Section 1. Fiscal Year:* Except as otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, the fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

*Section 2. Meetings:* The Annual Meeting of the club shall be held at the clubhouse NorthAttleborough, Massachusetts on the

second Wednesday of December of each calendar year at eight o'clock in the evening. Once the Annual Meeting has been called to order the general order of business shall be suspended until the completion of the election process. A quorum of 20 is required for the election process. The meeting Chairman shall open the nomination to the floor and at the close of nominations a ballot shall be created and the election will take place. Upon completion of the elections the Chairman will resume the Annual Meeting and the general order of business will take place.

Quarterly meetings may be held at the clubhouse, or such place as the Board of Directors may determine, on the second Wednesday of March, June and September. The President may call a special meeting, or in his/her absence the Vice-President, or by the Board of Directors upon written application of a minimum of ten (10) members.

*Section 3. Notices:* Members shall be notified of the Annual, Quarterly and Special club meetings.

*Section 4. Quorum:* Twenty (20) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting.

*Section 5. Right to Vote:* Each member shall have one (1) vote at all meetings. Members may vote either in person or by written proxy.

## ARTICLE V *Board of Directors*

*Section 1:* The Board of Directors shall consist of fifteen (15) members. A Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary to be voted in by the membership at the clubs Annual Meeting for a term of one (1) year. Every year four (4) Board Members will be voted in by the membership at the Annual Meeting for a term of three (3) years. Each Director shall hold office until his/her successor has been elected and qualified. The Board of Directors shall have the management and control of the business and property of the club.

*Section 2:* Meetings: The Board of Directors shall hold an annual meeting immediately following the Annual Meeting of the club to elect a President and Vice-President. The Board shall hold regular monthly meetings from January to November each year. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President or a majority of the Board.

*Section 3:* Quorum: Except as otherwise provided in these By-Laws, eight (8) Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

*Section 4:* Powers of the Board of Directors: The Board of Directors shall have the following authority:

- (a) To manage and govern the affairs of the club
- (b) To make and authorize the execution of contracts to further the purposes of the club, provide that the conveyance of any Real Estate shall be subject to the approval of a majority of the club membership excepting a one-time exclusion to the aforementioned By-Law is granted to the Board of Directors to sell the land located in Attleborough, provided a majority of the Board of Directors approves. (Note: All buildings and grounds that constitute A.T.S.R.G, as we know it, are located in North Attleborough.)
- (c) To establish rules and regulations for the governing of the club, not to conflict with these By-Laws.
- (d) To fix all dues and charges not herein specified.
- (e) To suspend or expel by a majority vote of the entire Board of Directors, any member of the club whose conduct is detrimental to the best interests of the club, provided that prior to such vote the member whose conduct is questioned shall be granted a hearing before the Board of Directors.
- (f) Except as hereinafter provided, to appoint the Chairperson of all committees and define his/her powers and duties.

## ARTICLE VI

### *Officers*

*Section 1:* The officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Financial Secretary and any such other officers and agents the Board of Directors may, in their discretion, from time to time appoint. The Secretary, Treasurer and Financial Secretary shall be elected by ballot by the members of the club at the Annual Meeting. The President and the Vice-President shall be elected by ballot by the Board of Directors at a meeting immediately following the Annual Meeting from the members of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office for one year until a successor has been elected and qualified.

## ARTICLE VII

### *Duties of the Officers*

*Section 1:* The President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors. The office shall also exercise and perform such other powers and duties as may properly belong to his/her office or as may be assigned to him/her by these By-Laws or from time to time by the Board of Directors.

*Section 2:* The Vice-President: The Vice-President shall have, exercise and perform such powers and duties as may be assigned to him/her from time to time by the Board of Directors. In the absence, disability or failure of the President to act, the Vice-President shall exercise and perform the duties of the President.

*Section 3:* The Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the club and shall deposit them in the name of the club in such depositories as may be appointed from time to time by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall have custody of all deeds, financial records and other important papers of the club. He/she shall keep the accounts of the club which shall be at all times open to inspection by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall submit written statements to the Board of Directors as required and shall also submit a financial statement at the Annual Meeting of the club. The Treasurer shall give bond for the faithful discharge of these duties in such form, in such amount and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall require. The cost of the Treasurer's bond shall be borne by the club.

*Section 4:* The Secretary: The Secretary shall keep accurate records of the meetings of the club and Board of Directors. The Secretary shall send out all notices of meetings of the club and of the Board of Directors as required by these By-Laws.

*Section 5:* The Financial Secretary: The Financial Secretary shall collect all dues and other charges of the membership at the direction of the Board of Directors and shall send out all bills and shall turn in all funds to the Treasurer each month upon proper receipt of the same. The Financial Secretary shall notify the Board of Directors of any member whose dues are in arrears on the second Thursday of February of each year. He/she shall keep an accurate list of all members.

*Section 6:* Whenever an officer or a member of the Board of Directors does not attend three (3) consecutive duly called meetings of the Board of Directors without reasonable cause therefore, shall be ordered to attend the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors to explain his/her absences. Unless he/she

attend as ordered or advances an excuse for their absence which is acceptable to the Board of Directors shall proceed immediately to fill the office according to the By-Laws.

## ARTICLE VIII

### *Committees*

*Section 1: Regular Standing Committees:* The regular standing committees of the club shall be as follows: Executive, Budget, House, Grounds, Clay Bird, Pistol, Rifle, Archery, Entertainment, Membership and Nominating. The Board of Directors shall annually appoint, for a term of one (1) year, the chairman of the various standing committees. The Board may appoint from time to time other special committees not herein provided for as they may deem appropriate. Each committee shall be subject, at all times, to the direction of the Board of Directors. No committee shall incur indebtedness or obligate the club for any sum in excess of \$100 without prior approval of the Board of Directors.

*Section 2:* The powers and duties of the regular standing committees, except as the same may from time to time be added to or altered by the Board of Directors shall be as follows:

*Executive Committee:* A committee of five (5) members consisting of the President, Vice-President and three (3) other directors that shall advise and assist the Board of Directors in managing the administrative affairs of the club and generally supervise the work of the other regular standing committees. The Executive Committee shall have charge of all activities for the raising of funds for the club and shall approve all bills in writing prior to payment. It shall from time to time suggest and recommend to the Board of Directors rules and regulations for the governing of the club.

*Budget Committee:* A committee of not less than three (3) members including the Treasurer and not less than two (2) Directors that shall prepare and submit to the Board of Directors prior to the second Thursday of January in each year, a budget for the club for the current calendar year.

*House Committee:* A committee of not less than three (3) members, which shall supervise the use, care and maintenance of the clubhouse and other buildings on the property as well as the tangible personal property therein.

*Range Committees:* A committee of not less than three (3) members per committee, which shall regulate the use of the ranges and promote and supervise rifle, pistol, archery, skeet and trap shooting.

*Entertainment Committee:* A committee of not less than three (3) members which shall promote and supervise, except as otherwise provided herein, all entertainment and other social activities of the club. At the regular January meeting each year the committee shall present a program for the ensuing year.

*Membership Committee:* A committee of not less than three (3) members which shall be in charge of securing members for the club. The committee shall investigate all applications for membership and recommend action thereon to the Board of Directors.

*Nominating Committee:* A committee of not less than three (3) members shall notify the BOD at the November meeting and post in the clubhouse the nominations for the offices of Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary and Directors to be elected at the Annual Meeting of the club.

#### ARTICLE IX

##### *Vacancies*

A vacancy in any office including a vacancy in the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Board of Directors for the un-expired term.

#### ARTICLE X

##### *Execution of Contracts, Etc.*

All deeds, transfers, contracts, bonds and promissory notes shall be signed by the President and Treasurer unless in a particular case the Board of Directors shall otherwise order or provide.

#### ARTICLE XI

##### *Signing of Checks*

All checks, drafts and orders for the payment of money made, acknowledged or endorsed by the club shall be signed by the Treasurer, or by such other officer or agent as the Board of Directors may generally or in particular case order or provide. In depositing checks, drafts or orders for payment of money to the credit of the club, a rubber stamp may be used in endorsing the same for deposit.

ARTICLE XII  
*Audit of Books*

There shall be an audit of the books at the end of the fiscal year and at such times as the Board of Directors may require.

ARTICLE XIII  
*Amendment of By-Laws*

These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two thirds vote of the regular members of the club present at any annual or quarterly meeting provided that notice of the proposed alteration or amendment shall have been e-mailed to members and posted in the clubhouse at least fourteen (14) days prior to such meeting.

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