

## Sedona Westerners General Membership Meeting April 14, 2016

Trail Boss Mary McCaffrey called the meeting to order at 7:07. The minutes of the General Membership Meeting of March 3, 2016 were approved as posted. After welcoming new members and guests and asking them to introduce themselves, Mary called on the officers to make their reports.

### Officer Reports:

#### Foreman's Report (Sue Taylor) (Detailed report at the end of the minutes)

Starting Cash Balance	\$6,398.06
Income	630.00
Expenses	222.00
Ending Cash Balance	6,806.06

**Roundup Boss (Brad Bell):** Brad thanked the following people for writing articles that had appeared or would appear in the Red Rock News: Patrick McNabb, John Losse, Paul Cooley, Michael and Velma Henry, Tom Makielski, Chris Greene, A.J. Cooke, Robert Patterson, Mary McCaffrey, and Linda Warren. He acknowledged all who had helped him out during his two-year stint as Roundup Boss.

**Ranger (Paul Sullivan):** Paul announced that the Forest Service has a draft agreement that will institute a new training program for a small group of Sedona Westerners to help in trail clearing. There will be supervisors to oversee this official program and those trained Club members will need to track their hours, read the handbook, and be generally aware of procedures.

**Sunbeam (Phyllis Elliott):** Phyllis was glad to give good news in reporting that several members of the club were new grandparents: Robert and Stefka Paterson - new granddaughter Isobel; Tom and Joanne Makielski - new grandson Henry Thomas

Phyllis reported that she had sent cards to :

Velma Henry  
Michael Henry  
Donna Bell  
Trisha Travis

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**Cliff Walker (Paul Cooley):** In addition to the bibliography of archaeological books that he has prepared, Paul has also assembled a list of archaeological websites that he proceeded to make available at the meeting.

**Prospector (Kevin O'Connor):** Kevin informed the membership that as of April 14 there were 411 members of the Sedona Westerners, of which 18 are honorary members.

### **Hike Bosses Reports (Details at end of minutes)**

**Tracker Boss (Helen Ducharme):** Helen announced that there would be one more Tracker Hike on May 4 to Walker Lake. Thirty-six members attended the very successful trip to Rock Art Ranch. She thanked everyone for their support this year.

**Ambler Boss (Jodie Ball):** Jodie reviewed past hikes from March 4 on: Jack's Canyon, Brins Mesa, Devil's Bridge, and Cibola Jordan Loop. She mentioned that perhaps March was not the best time to schedule Devil's Bridge. She acknowledged all her leaders and co-leaders during the past month.

### **Drover Boss (Velma Keller for Cathy Lutz)**

Six hikes have been completed since last report at the March meeting: Soldiers Pass Arches, Mayan Maiden, Big Park Overlook, Fin & Less, Cathedral & More, Hiline-Templeton Loop

Velma expressed Cathy's appreciation to the following hike leaders: Charlie Schudson, Paul Sullivan, Cathy Lutz, Mike Holmes, Al Vander Peut, Bob Dannert; and co-leaders: Louise Osborn, Paul LeFevre, Bill Brown, Karen Larson, Gus Rousonelos, Cathy Lutz; and to tailgaters: Ernie Pratt, Paul LeFevre, Bert McLean, Karen Larson, Cathy Lutz

*Next Drover hike:* Steamboat on April 17

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**Rustler Boss ( Velma Keller):** Velma thanked the following hike leaders and co-leaders: Linda Schermer, Liz Sweeney, Ernie and Lynn Pratt, Julie Zabilski, Velma Keller, Perlina McCombs, Dave Vanderwater, Debby and John Losse. Upcoming hikes include Loop Skywalker, Jim Bryant Trail, Twin Buttes Saddle and West Fork.

**Dogie Boss ( Tom Yager):** Tom was happy to inform the membership that there had been just one cancelled hike since the last meeting. He acknowledged leaders and co-leaders: Ernie and Lynn Pratt, Tom Yager, John Avery, Paul Sullivan, Paula Potter, Don Kling, Bill Birkland, Dave Vanderwater and Paul Lefevre. Next Tuesday will be Woodchute, and Soldiers Heights and Sights will follow on April 26.

**Mustang Boss (Tom Yager for Jim Kemper):** Tom thanked the following leaders and co-leaders: Michael McCrain, Tom Yager, Mark Ducharme, Bert McLean, Bob Taylor, Dave Vanderwater, Mark Ducharme, Jim Kemper, George Witteman, and Tom Pallas. Upcoming hikes include Grand Canyon Tanner Trail (6 AM start), Kendrick Mountain, and Mingus Mountain Three-Trail Loop.

**Rough Rider Boss (Barbara O'Connor for Tom Blecha):** Barbara acknowledged the following hike leaders and co-leaders: Paul Sullivan, Mark Frank, Ken and Cherie Ferguson, Mark Frank, Mike Holmes, Walter Krywucki, Mark Frank, Tom Blecha, and Michael McCaffrey.

### **Chuck Wagon Boss (Al Abbott)**

Al thanked the following people for providing a variety of savories, cakes, and cookies: Linda Warren, Terri Petrescu, Linda Schermer, and Julie Zabilski. He urged members to sign up to sign up for Spring Cookout tasks and special salads for the picnic. He thanked members for their support during his two-year term as Chuck Wagon Boss and let people know that Perlina McCombs would be taking over for next year.

### **Business:**

#### **Bylaws Revision Document**

Trail Boss Mary McCaffrey stated that the Executive Committee met on March 14 and approved the proposed revisions to the Bylaws. Copies were made available for members to study. The most significant change proposed is the name of the *Executive Committee*, comprised of elected officers plus the immediate past Trail Boss, to the *Board of Directors*. The Board of Directors is the governing body of the group. The appointed officers are consulted but are not voting members. The

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majority of changes are grammatical or involve the shift in wording to change *Executive Committee* to *Board of Directors*.

A motion was made and seconded to present the proposed revisions to the Bylaws to the General Membership at the Spring Cookout. Discussion followed.

Barbara O'Connor stated that some of the appointed positions are very involved and that it seemed a slight to these officers not to have a vote. Mary responded that the appointed officers attend a full meeting of the elected and appointed officers at the start of the new term and are invited to contribute to the discussion. Al Vander Peut observed that the division into appointed and elected officers, non-voting and voting members is a means of ensuring that the general membership is represented by the *elected* members.

Kevin O'Connor proposed an amendment to the Bylaws revisions document stating that the Round Up Boss (Public Relations Chair) and the Point-Rider (Website Maintenance Manager) be included in the elected officers as opposed to the appointed officers. The amendment was seconded. *The amendment passed to accept the Round Up Boss and Point Rider among the elected officers.*

Kevin O'Connor stated that the Cookout was not traditionally the place to have a meeting. Gloria Vander Peut noted that there was often better attendance at the cookouts than at other general membership meetings.

*The motion to vote on the Bylaw Revisions at the Spring cookout was approved.* [See **Final Business**]

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### **Memories of Bernice Brown**

Mary invited Keran O'Brien to say a few words about Bernice Brown who had recently passed away.

Keran said that when he joined the Sedona Westerners in 1988 he became great friends with Harry and Bernice Brown as they lived nearby. To set the context for a poem he would read, he explained that Bernice had had a series of tragedies in the loss of three of her children. The final verse of the poem he read in memory of Bernice, "safe in the harbor at last" brought a tear to the eye of all who knew Bernice.

Sunday, April 17 at 4:00 will be the service for Bernice Brown at Sedona Winds.

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Mary announced that long-time Westerner Phyllis Lindberg had been awarded posthumously the 2016 Norman B. Herkenham Award for Native Plant Landscaping, an award given by Keep Sedona Beautiful. The award was accepted on April 2 by her husband Paul Lindberg at Keep Sedona Beautiful's Native Plant Workshop.

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### **Elections for Sedona Westerners Season 2016-17**

Mary introduced Immediate Past Trail Boss and chair of the Nominating Committee Curt Kommer to present the slate of candidates for the season 2016-17. Curt began by recognizing Jim Warren and Cathy Lutz for their service on the Nominating Committee. Curt reminded the members that he had presented the slate of candidates at the previous meeting, March 3, and that according to the Bylaws, the slate of candidates would be presented at the present meeting for a vote on the slate.

The candidates presented were:

Trail Boss [Club President] Jim Warren  
Wagon Boss [Vice President] Barbara O'Connor  
Foreman [Treasurer] Gretchen Yager  
Wrangler [Secretary] Debby Losse  
Prospector [Membership Chair] Kevin O'Connor  
Top Hand [Senior Club Advisor] Linda Schermer  
Chuck Wagon Boss [Event Coordinator] Perlina McCombs

Hike Bosses:

Cactus Dodger: Brad Bell  
Mustang Boss: Tom Yager  
Dogie Boss: Dave Vanderwater  
Drover Boss: Bert McLean  
Ambler Boss: Scott McFeely  
Rustler Boss: Al Barton  
Tracker Boss: Everett Davidson

The slate of candidates for officers for the 2016-17 season was approved by the members.

**Break**

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**Speaker. Wagon Boss Jim Warren** introduced the evening's speaker, Charlene Laughing, who spoke on the topic: "A Weaver's perspective on Dyeing Wool Using Natural Materials." Charlene has been weaving since she was eight years of age, and has been displaying her woven articles in shows for twenty years. She has won Best in Show for her woven rugs and hangings three times: in Dallas, Denver, and San Antonio. Darlene explained her daily routine, the family lineage of weavers, and how she obtains her colors. She explored with the members the different plants, seeds, and nuts from which she produces natural dyes.

### **Final Business**

Prior to adjournment, the motion to present the proposed revisions to the Bylaws to the General Membership at the Spring Cookout was restated by a current member and seconded, and a vote taken. *The motion carried.* The first time the motion was made, the motion was made by a guest who was not a current member.

The meeting was adjourned at 9: 05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Losse  
Wrangler

**Attachments:** Detailed Foreman's Report, Detailed Hike Boss Reports, Proposed Bylaw Revisions

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<b>Foreman's Report - 04/13/2016</b>			
	<u>This Season</u>	<u>This Period*</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<b>Starting cash balance</b>	\$2,809.22	\$6,398.06	\$6,398.06
<b>Income</b>			
Dues: cash/check	\$5,910.00	\$330.00	
Dues: Paypal	\$5,910.00	\$300.00	
Misc. Income	\$5,680.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	\$17,500.00	\$630.00	\$7,028.06
<b>Expenses</b>			
Insurance	\$2,097.69	\$0.00	
Spring Cookout	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Fall Cookout	\$1,184.64	\$0.00	
Holiday Party	\$3,150.00	\$0.00	
PayPal Fees	\$232.29	\$12.00	
Meeting Room Rental	\$500.00	\$0.00	
Sunbeam	\$29.03	\$0.00	
Chuck Wagon (meetings)	\$78.42	\$0.00	
Honorarium	\$1,200.00	\$200.00	
Nametags	\$522.38	\$0.00	
Historian	\$0.00	\$0.00	
eMail services	\$40.00	\$10.00	
Miscellaneous	\$4,468.71	\$0.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$13,503.16	\$222.00	\$6,806.06
<b>Ending cash balance</b>			\$6,806.06

Hike Report Summary - starting Mar 03, 2016						
Hike Date	Hike Name	Group	Number Hikers	Leader	Co-Leader	Remarks
Mar 06, 2016	Soldier Pass / Arches	Drovers	14	Charlie Schudson	Louise Osborn	Tailgaters: Cathy Lutz & Ernie Pratt
Mar 13, 2016	Mayan Maiden V1	Drovers	14	Paul Sullivan	Paul LeFevre	Tailgater: Paul LeFevre
Mar 20, 2016	Big Park Overlook V2	Drovers	9	Cathy Lutz	Bill Brown	Tailgater: Bert McLean
Mar 27, 2016	Fin and Less	Drovers	12	Mike Holmes	Karen Larson	
Apr 03, 2016	Cathedral and More	Drovers	13	Al Vander Peut	Gus Rousonelos	Tailgater: Cathy Lutz
Apr 10, 2016	Hiline / Templeton Loop	Drovers	9	Bob Dannert	Cathy Lutz	
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Mar 08, 2016	Pyramids and Polygons	Dogies	19	Ernie Pratt	Lynn Pratt	New route using the new Scorpion trail.
Mar 15, 2016	Steamboat / Wilson Canyon	Dogies	16	Tom Yager	John Avery	
Mar 22, 2016	Huckaby Wallow	Dogies	19	Paul Sullivan	Paula Potter	
Apr 05, 2016	Deadman Heights	Dogies	23	Don Kling	Bill Birkland	
Apr 12, 2016	Wet Beaver / Bell Trail	Dogies	12	Dave Vanderwater	Paul LaFevre	
Mar 03, 2016	Norm's Notch Loop	Mustangs	24	Tom Yager	Michael McCrain	route needs to be lengthen next year to be a Mustang hike
Mar 10, 2016	Soldier Heights Loop (from Dry Creek Rd.)	Mustangs	19	Mark Ducharme	Bert McClean	
Mar	Devil's Door	Mustangs	17	Bob Taylor	Dave	



17, 2016					Vanderwater	
Mar 03, 2016	Balanced Rock and Beyond	Mustangs	8	Mark Durcharme	Jim Kemper	
Apr 07, 2016	Mayan Maiden Honeymoon	Mustangs	19	George Witteman	Tom Pallas	
Mar 05, 2016	The None	Rough Riders	17	Paul Sullivan	Mark Frank	
Mar 12, 2016	Balanced Rock and Beyond	Rough Riders	17	Ken Ferguson	Cherie Ferguson	
Mar 19, 2016	Black Canyon	Rough Riders	16	Ken Ferguson	Cherie Ferguson	
Mar 26, 2016	2 Passes	Rough Riders	16	Mark Frank	Mike Holmes	
Apr 02, 2016	Bridges and Ridges	Rough Riders	17	Walter Krywucki	Mark Frank	
Apr 09, 2016	Loy Canyon / Secret Cabin	Rough Riders	11	Tom Blecha	Michael McCaffrey	
Mar 12, 2016	Anaconda / Girdner Loop	Rustlers	14	Linda Schermer	Liz Sweeney	5.5 mile version
Mar 19, 2016	Sugarloaf via Thunder Mountain	Rustlers	11	Ernie Pratt	Lynn Pratt	
Mar 26, 2016	Mescal Circumnavigation & up	Rustlers	8	Julie Zabilski	Velma Keller Henry	5.2 miles 670 Elevation
Apr 02, 2016	Fay Canyon and More	Rustlers	19	Perlina McCombs	Dave Vanderwater	
Apr 09, 2016	Mormon Overlook	Rustlers	11	Debby Losse	John Losse	

BYLAWS

(Proposed Revision 4/01/2016)

Article 1 (Indemnification)

To the extent of insurance coverage under any policy of the Club, the Club shall indemnify any officer or director for any liability arising out of any action taken on behalf of the Club within the scope of authority of such officer or director.

Article 2 (Exclusions from Purpose)

It shall not be the purpose of the Club to engage in any activity that will promote or favor any commercial, political or special-interest group, except when an action is necessary to protect the interests of the Club's regular activities as determined by a majority vote of the members present at a General Membership Meeting, following a Board of Director's decision on such an action. Any member of the Club may bring up a question of a need for such an action at a General Membership Meeting, which shall then be referred to the Board of Directors for an expression of their opinion before any vote is held by the general membership.

Article 3 (Membership)

Any adult (minimum: 18 years of age) shall be eligible for Club Membership. General Club Membership shall be renewable annually.

Honorary Membership may be granted by the Board of Directors to individuals who have been members for ten or more years and have significantly contributed to the welfare of the club through service to the Club as an elected or appointed officer for four or more years.

All members, General and Honorary, are entitled to vote at all General Membership Meetings. All active members, General and Honorary, are required to execute a Release of Liability waiver statement on an annual basis along with a review of the recommended material. A List of Officers shall be made available to all members. The full Membership Roster of the Club shall not be generally available. However, the Roster shall be available to the Board of Directors and may only be used for official Club-sanctioned purposes.

Every member of the Club shall familiarize one's self with the Club's Hiking Rules and the Forest Service's Archaeological Site Guidelines and shall abide by them. The Club will make both the Hiking Rules and the Archaeological Site Guidelines available to each member.

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#### Article 4 (Guests)

The Sedona Westerners require non-members wishing to participate in scheduled hikes to become members by paying the current annual dues and signing a Release Of Liability waiver. On occasion, non-members may be invited by the Club leadership to provide instruction, education, or assistance as part of a scheduled hiking activity. Invitation may be recommended by a member of the [Board of Directors](#) and must be approved by the Trail Boss. Annual dues will be waived for these individuals to participate in a designated hiking activity, but a completed and signed Release of Liability Waiver will be required.

#### Article 5 (Dues)

The annual dues shall be payable by the first Club meeting in September or at any time thereafter that a member begins to participate in Club activities. Honorary Members are granted a lifetime exemption from the payment of dues. The amount of dues shall be set from year to year by the [Board of Directors](#).

#### Article 6 (General Membership Meetings)

General Membership Meetings are regularly scheduled for the second Thursday of the following months: September, November, January, February, March and April. [A General Membership Meeting can be opened at the fall and/or spring cookouts at the discretion of the Trail Boss.](#) The time and location of the aforesaid meetings shall be made known to the membership [and special notice will be given for any meetings where voting will take place.](#)

#### Article 7 (Voting)

At any General Membership Meeting, a simple majority of those members present shall be required for a motion to be passed.

#### Article 8 (Anticipated Recurrent Club Activities)

Though the Club's activities may be changed from year to year to reflect the needs and interests of the membership the following are anticipated: Hiking for [a variety of](#) abilities, General Membership Meetings, October and May Cookouts, and a Holiday Party. [General Membership Meetings may include a business meeting and a program with a guest speaker. When deemed necessary the October and May Cookouts may include a General Membership Meeting for business purposes.](#)

#### Article 9 (Classes of Officers)

Officers shall be either Elected or Appointed. The titles of Club Officers shall be in keeping with the Western vernacular as indicated in Article 10.

#### Article 10 (Titles and Terms of Elected Officers)

The term of office for Elected Officers shall be one year, except for Top Hands who shall serve for three years. The term of office shall begin with the current Trail Boss's adjournment at the May Cookout. All Elected Officers serve on the Board of Directors.

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The following are the Elected Officer positions:

Trail Boss - President and Chair of [the](#) Board of Directors

Wagon Boss - Vice-President and Program Chair

Cactus Dodger - Coordinator of Rough Rider Hikes

Dogie Boss - Coordinator of Dogie Hikes

Ambler Boss - Coordinator of Ambler Hikes

Mustang Boss - Coordinator of Mustang Hikes

Rustler Boss - Coordinator of Rustler Hikes

Drover Boss - Coordinator of Drover Hikes

Tracker - Coordinator of Special Hikes

~~Wrangler - Secretary~~

~~Foreman - Treasurer~~

~~Prospector - Membership Chairperson~~

~~Chuck Wagon Boss - Coordinator of Social Activities and Refreshments~~

~~Top Hand #1 - Director (Actively Hiking Honorary Member)~~

Top Hand #2 - Director (A former Trail Boss)

Top Hand #3 - Director (Actively Hiking Member At-Large)

Article 11 (Duties of Elected Officers)

The duties of Elected Officers are described below:

**Trail Boss (Club President and Chair of the Board of Directors)** The Trail Boss is responsible for the overall direction of Club activities, including Hiking Programs, Cookouts, Holiday Party, and relationships with other agencies or organizations. The Trail Boss shall designate one or more member(s) to conduct the annual audit of the Club's financial records after the May cookout. The Trail Boss (or the Foreman) shall be authorized to sign checks for the Club up to a limit of \$500 - over \$500, both signatures shall be required. The Trail Boss shall designate a member to be the registered statutory agent who is responsible for submitting the required documents to the Corporation Commission. The Trail Boss shall also propose a replacement for any position vacated during his or her term of office to the [Board of Directors](#) for approval and appointment. The Trail Boss shall

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prepare the agenda and preside over all Club functions. The Trail Boss shall submit designees for Appointed Officer positions, and the Chair of the Nominating Committee, to the [Board of Directors](#) for approval. The Trail Boss shall be responsible for ensuring that the Club-sanctioned hiking schedule for the upcoming season is available to the membership by the September meeting. [The Trail Boss may appoint a social committee to assist in organizing the Holiday Party and cookouts. The duties of the committee include collecting the required funds, scheduling crews for setup, cleanup, serving, cooking and other duties necessitated by these special events. The committee will collect funds and maintain the roster for those committed to attend and turn these funds over to the Foreman. It is recommended that the committee be chaired by a current or past member of the Board of Directors.](#)

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[Immediate Past Trail Boss serves on the](#) Board of Directors providing counsel.

**Wagon Boss (Club Vice-President and Program Chair)** The Wagon Boss arranges for the programs at the General Membership meetings and, optionally, at the October and May cookouts. In the temporary absence of the Trail Boss, the Wagon Boss shall conduct scheduled meetings and otherwise assume the duties of the Trail Boss. In the event that the Trail Boss position shall become vacant during the year, the Wagon Boss shall be elevated to Trail Boss.

**Hike Bosses (Coordinators of Hiking Groups)** Cactus Dodger, Dogie Boss, [Drover Boss](#), Ambler Boss, Mustang Boss, Rustler Boss and Tracker. Hike Bosses are responsible for the planning and implementation of their respective hiking programs. Hike Bosses are also responsible for ensuring that each hike has a Leader who is well versed in the Club's Hiking Rules, and a Tailgater, that every hiker has executed the Release of Liability waiver statement, and that every hiker is aware of the Club's Hiking Rules. This responsibility includes the authority to exclude participation by any member or guest in any hike, in accordance with the Club guidelines. Hike Bosses may delegate these responsibilities, including the right to exclude participation on any hike, to the Leader assigned to lead the hike. [Hike Bosses \(or Hike Leaders in their absence\) are responsible for filling out incident reports for any and all events on hikes that warrant documentation.](#)

**Wrangler (Secretary)** The Wrangler prepares the minutes of the scheduled monthly meetings, Board of Directors meetings, and records any significant occurrences at the Cookouts and [the](#) Holiday Party.

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**Foreman (Treasurer)** The Foreman keeps a record of all funds received and disbursed, handles banking matters, provides a financial report for presentation at the General Membership Meetings, completes an annual financial statement and [promptly](#) files [any and all appropriate federal and state tax forms](#). One or more members, to be designated by the incoming Trail Boss, shall audit the Foreman's records annually. The Foreman, as well as the Trail Boss, shall be authorized to sign checks for the Club. Only one signature shall be required up to a limit of \$500 - over \$500, both signatures shall be required.

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**Prospector (Membership Chair)** The Prospector collects dues and required funds for Club functions [and merchandise not otherwise handled by a special committee. The](#) funds are turned over to the Foreman. In addition, the Prospector maintains and updates the Membership Roster, along with a file of executed Release of Liability waiver statements, and the completed sign-in sheets from every Club hike. [Prior to the start of the hiking season the Prospector shall provide the names of current members eligible for Honorary Membership to the Trail Boss](#)

**Chuck Wagon Boss (Social Activities Coordinator)** The Chuck Wagon Boss [takes responsibility for providing refreshment at the General Membership Meetings. The Chuck Wagon Boss](#) coordinates, in

collaboration with the Trail Boss [and social committee](#), the refreshment and food services at the Holiday Party and the Cookouts.

**Top Hands** The three Top Hands, (also identified as “Directors” to satisfy the requirements of the Corporation Commission) serve as voting members on the [Board of Directors](#). Individuals elected to serve as Top Hands are expected to have a perceptive understanding of the Club’s Constitution, Bylaws, Hiking Rules, and all Club practices and policies. Top Hands may concurrently hold an Appointed Officer position.

Assistants to Elected Officers: Any Elected Officer needing help with the requirements of their office may designate an assistant.

Article 12 ([Board of Directors](#))

The [Board of Directors](#) is the Governing Body of the Club. The [Board of Directors](#) shall be composed of the Elected Officers of the Club, plus the Immediate Past Trail Boss. The Trail Boss shall call meetings of the [Board of Directors](#). Additionally, meetings of the [Board of Directors](#) may be called by the Trail Boss at the request of any three [Board of Directors](#) members acting in unison. For voting purposes, a quorum shall be constituted by the presence of two-thirds of the [Board of Directors](#) members.

Article 13 (Scope of Authority of the [Board of Directors](#))

The [Board of Directors](#) is solely responsible for establishing Club dues, formulating the Club’s Hiking Rules, and for the planning and direction of all Club activities. A majority of those present at a [General Membership Meeting](#) may vote to refer any matter back to the [Board of Directors](#) for reconsideration.

A majority vote shall be required for a motion to be passed at all meetings of the [Board of Directors](#), provided that the quorum requirement has been satisfied.

Club officer positions and their responsibilities may be revised to meet the changing needs and interests of the membership. Any such changes shall require a majority vote of the [Board of Directors](#) followed by an appropriate amendment to the Bylaws requiring a majority vote of the members present at a General Membership Meeting.

Article 14 (Nominating Committee)

By the February General Membership meeting of each year, the Trail Boss, subject to the approval of the [Board of Directors](#), shall appoint the Chair of the Nominating Committee. The Chair of the Nominating Committee shall appoint two or more additional committee members. The Nominating Committee shall function to determine nominees for each elective office, secure their acceptance of the nomination, and present the nominees at the General Membership Meeting in March. At the April General Membership Meeting, the Nominating Committee Chair will conduct the election proceedings, soliciting nominations from the floor in addition to those presented by the Committee, and then preside over the voting process

Article 15 (Title and Duties of Appointed Officers)

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The following are the Appointed Officer positions, with a one-year term of office for all positions with the exception of the three Forest Service liaison positions (Ranger, Lookout, Cliff Walker), each of which carries a two-year appointment.

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**Roundup Boss (Public Relations Chair)** - The Roundup Boss arranges for the preparation of the Sedona Westerners article to appear each week in the "Sedona Red Rock News."

**Historian** - The Historian, the "keeper" of the Club's historical documents, collects and preserves newspaper articles, pictures, and other memorabilia to add to the Club Archives.

**Ranger (Liaison to the Red Rock Ranger District)** - The Ranger is the overall "Ambassador" of the Club to the local US Forest Service office, and conducts negotiations as needed. Term of office is two years.

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**Lookout (Coordinator of the Emergency Assistance Team)** - The Lookout organizes the Club volunteer members who shall be available to provide emergency assistance to the Forest Service - as requested by the Forest Service Staff Officer for Volunteer Services. Term of office is two years.

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**Cliff-Walker (Coordinator of Cultural Resources Education)** - The Cliff-Walker is the "Ambassador" of the Club, specifically to the archaeological personnel of the Coconino National Forest, and arranges for cultural-heritage experiences for Club members. In addition, the Cliff-Walker provides consultation to Hike Bosses and Leaders on teaching proper site etiquette. Term of office is two years

**Point-Rider (Website Maintenance Manager)** - The Point-Rider maintains the Sedona Westerners website under the direction of the Trail Boss.

**Sunbeam (Counselor)** - The Sunbeam sends appropriate messages of cheer or sympathy to members.

Assistants to Appointed Officers: Any Appointed Officer needing help with the requirements of their office may designate an assistant.

Article 16 (Exemption for Past Trail Bosses)

Past Trail Bosses shall be honored at the May Cookout and his or her cookout fee shall be waived.

Article 17 (Amendments or Changes to the Bylaws)

Any Club member may propose changes to the Bylaws. A proposed change to the Bylaws shall be presented as an informational item to the Club Membership in written form at a General Membership Meeting. It will then be discussed and voted on at the next general membership meeting and become effective upon approval by a majority of the members present.

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