# **AMENDMENT A**

# CHELAN RUSTLERS SADDLE CLUB, INC. CLUB AND GROUND RULES

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The club grounds and facilities have been provided for your recreation and enjoyment. We realize that much of the future growth and success of our members is to use these accommodations to the fullest extent.

To ensure the spirit of good fellowship and to protect the right and property of the members and the club, the following adopted ground rules apply to all members and their guests:

#### **Nonmember Guests**

Non-members are not permitted on Saddle Club grounds except as a guest of Chelan Rustlers Saddle Club and only in the direct and immediate company of a member. Spectators are welcome at any club sponsored event. This rule does not apply to out of town house guests of a member.

# **Professional Services**

Nonmembers and their horses are not permitted on Saddle Club grounds for professional services such as veterinarians, farriers, horse sellers, chiropractors, masseurs and therapists. The exception would be if they are attending a club sponsored and approved event.

Sellers of more than two (2) horses in one calendar year will be considered professional. The only exception to this rule is during any club approved event in which they are entered.

#### **USE OF CLUB GROUNDS AND FACILITIES**

#### Stabling – Club Members

Club members in good standing shall be permitted to stable horses or otherwise (and) have the use of the club grounds. "Members in good standing" are those who have paid all assessments in full to the date due including but not limited to dues, rents and special assessments. Stabling for this use is the holding pens behind the bucking chutes at the rodeo arena.

Members may use these pens and/or camping sites for up to 14-days per calendar year at no charge. (Refer to #7, RV hookup spaces)

#### **Stabling – Nonmembers**

Stabling in holding pens behind bucking chutes shall be permitted, for a fee as accommodations for travelers and member family and/or guests, who find it necessary or desirable to obtain temporary housing for their animals. A guest or friend must sign a release of liability form. Any guest or friend not signing such release shall be deemed guilty of trespassing.

#### Rates for Stabling:

Arena holding pen fees as set forth above are on a per horse basis. Time is limited to a period not to exceed 14-days.

#### Small Pens

- 1. 4-H functions only: \$3.00 per night or \$10.00 per week, per horse
- 2. All other use: \$6.00 per night or \$30.00 per week, per horse

#### <u>Large pens – up to four (4) horses</u>

- 1. 4-H functions only: Max of four (4) horses \$3.00 per night or \$20.00 per week per horse.
- 2. All other use: four (4) horses per night \$10.00 per night or \$45.00 per week, per horse.

All arena holding pens must be cleaned upon vacating the site. Above fees shall be recorded, billed and submitted to Club treasurer to record. Any variance to the fees and period of time as set forth herein shall be the consent of the board of directors.

The board of directors shall review rates for all facilities on an annual basis and should it be determine that the rates should be changed, they will do so and announce said changes to the general membership either at the annual meeting held in January or by newsletter to all members of the club.

Use of the club grounds by members and guests shall always be in a safe and courteous manner. All members and guests shall abide by all Club rules. All other use of the club grounds and facilities shall be at the express permission of the board of directors.

## **USE AND RENTAL OF ARENAS, CLUB HOUSE AND OTHER FACLITIES:**

Refer to arena/facilities and club house rental policies.

# **GROUND RULES**

- Conduct unbecoming by any member shall not be permitted on club grounds.
   The board of director, on a case by case basis, shall determine if any member has displayed an undesirable behavior viewed as conduct unbecoming.
- 2. All nonmember use of building or grounds must be approved by the Board in advance of use. All clubs, school use including 4-H, FFA and others are required to seek approval, in writing, of the board for scheduled grounds. Such use approval shall be documented in the Club minutes and documents will be kept by the Club's secretary for audit purposes.
- 3. To avoid breaking sprinklers, no vehicles shall be permitted on grass areas except at Club functions where parking on the grass is necessary (i.e., rodeo events). All other use, such as when taking manure or burnable debris to the appropriate compost stations, must use the roads.
- 4. Cars, motorcycles, snowmobiles, riding mowers and bicycles operated in the corral area or around horses shall be done in a manner as not to present a danger that might scare, excite or frighten the horses or any other animals on the property.
  - Horse traffic has the right of way and shall be ridden in a safe and courteous manner at all times. Consider riding on the edge of roads rather than in the middle and single file except for times of safety to riders.
- 5. Members driving motorized vehicles (for ground and barn/corral maintenance) including ATV's and riding mowers on club property must do so in an orderly, safe and responsible manner. No more than one (1) person may be on a riding mower/tractor and no more than two (2) persons shall be on an ATV. Drivers less than 18-years of age must be supervised by a responsible adult club member. All drivers and vehicle operators are required to follow all ground speed limits and safety rules.
- 6. Club members are allowed to park horse trailers on the premises in designated horse parking areas. Other than temporary parking, horse trailers left outside the designated areas is not allowed. Spaces must be posted with member's name and parking space number to prevent others from using that space when it is vacant. In the event club decides to charge fees for horse trailer parking, members will be notified by newsletter or meeting minutes.

7. RV Hookup spaces: Each family or single membership is entitled to use one RV hookup for a period not to exceed 14-days at no charge. This use is limited to one time per year and shall not interfere with the following holiday weekends: Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Labor Day or rodeo weekends when the spaces may be otherwise used. The privilege granted herein is limited to members only. Member guests or family may use RV spaces for a fee. (Refer to Facilities Rental Policy)

# **GROUNDS CHAIRMAN** (Refer to President's Bylaws)

A grounds chairman is appointed by the president each year. This is the person who should be contacted in writing to issue complaints, problems or make a suggestion. The grounds chairman is charged with the duty of reporting your complaints or problems to the board of directors who will make the final decision on addressing these issues.

# **TRAINING** (refer to Trainer's Guidelines)

Any member training another member or member's horse (paid or not paid) must seek approval and register with the board in writing each calendar year and provide proof of a \$1 million liability insurance with Chelan Rustlers named as co-insured.

Approved training, lessons, instructions, etc., (paid or not paid) will be limited to two people at one time.

The general membership has priority of arena use over any lessons at all times. Please be courteous and move to another arena not being used. No lessons will be permitted in the covered arena during weekends (Saturday/Sunday) and holidays or other scheduled use times. Any deviations must be approved by the Board at a regular board meeting.

# **ARENA USE** (Refer to Arena Etiquette) (Refer to Trainers' Guidelines)

The arenas may be used at any time by any member to ride or exercise their horse. This is not an exclusive right and members are expected to use courtesy and share the arena with others. Should the arena be used for a Club sanctioned event, then the arena will be closed to those members not participating.

The arenas may be used for exercising, such as lunging or turning out horses to run freely, only at such times as the owner is present and when the arena is not in use by riders. Turn out time is limited to one-half hour and horses cannot be left for long periods of time as this prohibits others from trying to use the arena. Use of the arena at night is permissible however, members are asked to be considerate of using the lights and remember to turn them off when finished to conserve power and cost.

#### Priorities for arena use are:

- 1. Board approved use of arena(s) i.e., clinics, rental of arenas, Club approved functions.
- 2. General membership, unless #1 applies
- 3. Board approved lessons for members

All members need to be familiar with training rules. Professional trainers need to pay for use of the arena, grounds and amenities for training both horses and members. The Club is not a facility for members to use as a for private profit training business.

All swinging gates are to be latched and secured when leaving all arenas. No climbing, sitting or standing on any gates or fences is allowed. Use of the announcer's booth at the Rodeo arena and the bucking chute area is prohibited unless there is a specific Club sanctioned function requiring its use. Children are not to allowed to play in those areas

If you put jumps, barrels, poles or other training equipment in any arena, you must remove these items when you leave. Your future use depends on this ruling.

## **USE OF ROUND PEN**

Use of the round pen is for all members. If there are a number of people wishing to use this facility, then Member shall limit their time to one-half hour. Be consider if using the round pen as a holding and don't exceed the allotted 30 minute timeframe if others are waiting. The gate should be shut and latched at all times. No climbing or sitting on the round pen rails. No tying of horses to fencing rails. Make use of hitching posts located around the grounds, arenas and round pen.

**SAFETY RULES**: The board of directors, on a case by case basis, shall determine if any of these rules are being abused and will take appropriate action. Complaints shall be given to board in writing.

- ASTM certified helmets are recommended for all riders to be worn at all times while riding per requirement of our liability insurance company. See liability forms for riding helmets when riding.
- 2. Boots or riding shoes with at least a 1/2 inch heel are required when riding in a saddle.
- Children under 10-years of age must be supervised within direct vision of their parents/guardians at all times. No person under the age of 16-years shall be permitted on the grounds after dark, unless accompanied by an adult.
- 4. There shall be no intoxication or excessive abuse of alcohol on Club grounds. Illicit drug use is NOT permitted on Club property.

- There shall be no smoking in or immediately around barns. Smoking must be done at least 25-feet from structures and hazardous areas, such as dry grass or weeds.
- 6. All riding in the corral areas shall be at a flat walk only. There shall be no riding at a jog, trot, running walk, lope or canter in the stabling areas.
- 7. There shall be no riding or leading of horses in the alleyways between the corrals in the stabling area of the grounds.
- 8. There shall be no tying of horses to any arena fence at any time. Approved hitching posts have been installed around the grounds for safely tying horses when not riding. These are the only permissible posts that may be used for this purpose.
- 9. No open campfires are permitted on the grounds during the months of June, July, August, September and October unless at a Club sanctioned function.
- 10. Dogs belonging to members and guests must be kept on a leash at all times while on club grounds.
- 11. Always be courteous and think of others.
- 12. The speed limit set for the premises is 10 miles per hour. Members who chronically break the speed limit will receive a written notice. If offending party continues to violate this rule, they will be prohibited from driving on the premises. This will be determined at the discretion of the Board.

- 13. No participant will act cruelly to any horse or other equine animal. Acting cruelly includes but is not limited to:
  - a. The excessive use of whips or spurs
  - b. The use of whips around a horse's head
  - c. Exerting demands beyond the capabilities or fitness of the horse
  - d. The use of ill-fitting or broken tack or equipment which cause pain
  - e. The riding of a lame horse
- 14. Remember the horse's physical and or mental limitations
- 15. Except to care for an ill, injured horse, a foaling mare or club, overnight sleeping in the corral or barn area is prohibited.
- 16. Be considerate of stabled horses during evening after dark. This is their home.

# **LIABILITY** (Refer to Membership Application)

#### **BURN PILE OR DEBRIS MANAGEMENT** (Refer to Barn/Corral Inspection Policy)

By Washington state law, only natural vegetation may be burned in the Club burn pile. Controlled burns will only occur during the winter months and must also be monitored. All burnable items must be cut into length no longer than 4 feet before putting on burn pile. This includes tree limbs, corral poles and rails. No metal of any kind may be added to this pile. Approved burnable items must be placed on the pile, not scattered adjacent to the pile. This pile is for debris created on the Club grounds only, not for personal use.

# **MANURE MANAGEMENT** (Refer to Barn/Corral Inspection Policy)

For the health of all our horses, a location has been provided for corral manure disposal. Disposal to this pile is the responsibility of each corral owner. During the spring, summer and fall months, each corral will be inspected to determine if manure is being cleaned up and taken out of corrals at least once monthly.

The manure pile is a 40 x 30 concrete slab enclosed on three sides by ecology blocks. This pile is located south of the tractor shed. All manure must be put on the concrete slab, not left tracking 50 yards or so in front of the disposal pile. Manure management is for the health and cleanliness of your animals. Placing it in the pile as indicated is for the ease of removing it from the grounds.

# **GROUNDS INSPECTION COMMITTEE** (Refer to Inspection Policy)

1. A committee exists for the purpose of inspecting the grounds and corral/barn area. Should you receive a notice, posted on your barn corral, from them for noncompliance you are required to correct and complete said noncompliance by the date set forth on your notice by the Committee to come into compliance.

- Should you feel the committee has been unreasonable or have some reason that you cannot comply you should contact the president or grounds chairman who inform you of the next meeting of the Board of Directors where you can discuss said problem. All decisions made by the Board of Directors shall be final and binding.
- 4. If a member should fail to contact the board of directors as set forth in the above paragraph and the work specified in the notice is not done by the stated date, then they will be out of compliance and he Club as set forth under Enforcement of Barn/Corral Lease Agreement and Enforcement of this document.

# **CARE OF ANIMALS** (Refer to Barn/Corral Lease and Humane Society)

It is the duty of all members to provide adequate, responsible and humane care for their animals. Rules for care are provided by the Humane Society which includes feeding and watering. If any member knows of inhumane treatment to animals housed or temporarily on the club grounds they may inform the President in writing who call a special board meeting with the owner and take the appropriate action to address and resolve the issue.

The board of directors may require the removal of any horse either boarded or guest, it considers to be ill, diseased, neglected or mistreated. Owner, upon receipt of written notice of such and after an opportunity to meet with the board shall abide by the final decision of the board. Should member not remove the animal, the board shall contact Animal Control and the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society to request an animal welfare check and intervention.

# **ARENA ETIQUETTE** (Refer to Arena Etiquette Guidelines)

**CORRAL MAINTENANCE** (Refer to Barn/Corral Lease)

#### **MAINTENANCE OF CLUB PROPERTY** (Refer to Barn/Corral Lease)

Caring for and cleaning of club grounds is the responsibility of all members. If a work party is planned by the club, the grounds will not be used for pleasure during the work party and every member available will help if possible.

Destruction of property, i.e., fences, hitch posts, gates, etc., has to be repaired by offender within two-days or club will perform the repairs and the charge the offender. Such destruction must be reported to Grounds manager.

#### **ROADS & WALKWAYS** (Refer to Barn/Corral Lease agreement)

Club roads and alleyways are not to be used for personal storage, such as ATVs, trailers, lumber, wheel barrels, etc., or parking of vehicles. It is mandatory we keep these areas clear at all times in case of an emergency requiring immediate evacuation or to accommodate incoming emergency responders.

#### TRACTOR AND RELATED EQUIPMENT

- 1. The tractor is primarily to be used for club activities only such as mowing, road grading, dragging the arena.
- The board shall appoint from one to three members as designated tractor drivers. These drivers will be certified on tractor by grounds person. All members will be notified as to who is approved. All other members are prohibited from driving the tractor.
- 3. Should a member wish to have an approved driver use the tractor for cleaning their corral, picking up manure in front of their barn or removal of large rocks they may do so by renting the tractor at the rate of:
  - a. First hour \$25 minimum
  - b. Each one-half hour increment will be \$12.50
  - c. Driver payment is in addition to tractor rental; fee is determined by driver
  - d. The entire sum is due at the time of service. The designated tractor driver shall collect and remit fees to the Club's treasurer.
  - e. The minimum charge of \$25 is not refundable even if the tractor use is less than one-hour.
- 4. The board shall review the rental rates for the tractor on an annual basis and if determined, the rates will be increased and the members notified at the annual meeting in January as well as in writing the before the effective date.

# **RULES GOVERNING STALLIONS** (Refer to Barn Corral Lease)

- 1. No stallions over 18-months of age shall be boarded on Club property or facilities, except at the express consent of the board of directors and in facilities built to the specifications as set forth by the board of directors.
- 2. When on Club property, persons riding a stallion shall use caution when riding around other mounted horses and when dismounted shall keep animal under strong lead, enough to keep him under control no matter the conditions. Club reserves the right to ask anyone without proper control of their stallion to remove the animal from club premises.
- 3. No person under age of 18-years shall ride a stallion on club property unless they do so at a club sanctioned function under rules that would allow this exception.
- 4. Breeding of horses by a stallion is expressly prohibited on club property. Breeding done by artificial insemination is permissible.

## **EXTRA STORAGE**

Any member wishing to store extra vehicles, campers, trailers, or other similar vehicles, may do so only in areas designated for this purpose after first notifying the board. All storage shall be in an orderly manner in such a fashion that all members can easily access their stored property.

By allowing said storage, member agrees to indemnify and hold Club harmless from any and all damage including, but not limited to theft and fire. This right of storage is subject to cancellation at any time if the board determines it is no longer feasible to allow storage. Upon cancellation and notification to member in writing, member will have 10 days to remove stored property from the premises. If not done in that timeframe, the club will arrange for removal and charge the member for costs incurred.

### **SELLING OR TRADING OF HORSES** (Refer to Barn lease agreement)

It is unlawful for the club to use or allow the use of its grounds for horse selling or trading purposes. Activities of this kind shall be prohibited unless it is a Club function and therefore sponsored by the Club. The sale or trade of three or more animals in any one calendar year shall constitute a violation of this rule and could result in membership termination.

#### **KEEPING THE CUSTODIAN ADVISED**

If applicable, member shall notify caretaker/custodian either verbally or by a note left at the residence when a member is taking horses away or bringing them to the grounds for a period of 24-hours or more. This rule shall also apply when removing horses from arena area, a horse trailer or allowing the use of your equipment by others when member is not present.

#### TEMPORARY & PERMANENT AMENDMENTS TO GROUND RULES

The board may make temporary emergency amendments to these ground rules if deemed necessary for purposes of safety and or inhumane treatment of horses only. Said change would take effect immediately with the full understanding that any such change would then go before the general membership for further discussion and approval in the manner prescribed by the Bylaws of the Club.

Other permanent "non-emergency" revisions to these Ground Rules would require a majority vote of the general membership at any regular meeting, with follow up notice to members and will also be added to the Club Bylaws and listed in the Amendments.

**ENFORCEMENT** (Refer to Bylaws, Article XIII – Enforcement)

**TERMINATION** (Refer to Lease Agreement and Bylaws, Article I, Organization, Section 2(b)