

Charter of Metro East Anglers Incorporated, September 30, 2011

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be the METRO EAST ANGLERS INC., hereinafter referred to as the Corporation.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSES

Section A:

Mission Statement

Our mission is to establish a conservation club for the purpose of preserving, protecting and restoring rivers and lakes. This will be achieved in partnership with the MNR through the following activities:

- a) Raising of fry at a hatchery for release into Lake Ontario and its tributaries.**
- b) Operation of a fish ladder on the Rouge River to improve spawning opportunities for Rainbow Trout in that watershed.**
- c) Field work and data collection for scientific research.**
- d) The operation of four net pen projects for the imprinting and acclimatization of Chinook Salmon fry to Lake Ontario.**

Section B:

The Corporation shall be carried on without the purpose of gain for its members and any profits or other accretions to the corporation shall be used in promoting its objects.

Section C:

The corporation shall be subject to the Charities Accounting Act.

Section D:

The directors shall serve as such without remuneration and no director shall directly or indirectly receive any profit from their positions as such, provided that directors may be paid reasonable expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties.

Section E:

At no time will the Corporation borrow money.

Section F:

The Corporation will at all times follow the Charities Accounting Act.

Section G:

Upon the dissolution of the corporation and after payment of all debts and liabilities, its remaining property shall be distributed or disposed of to charities registered under the Income Tax Act (Canada), in Canada.

Section H:

The corporation will invest the funds of the corporation as per the Trustee Act.

ARTICLE III: DUTIES

Section A:

To identify and implement projects which promote or accomplish the purposes set forth in Article II.

Section B:

To implement and conduct all projects in compliance with the Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section A:

Anyone that has properly registered and provided the Corporation with their name and email address information will be eligible for regular membership. No membership dues are required to be paid.

Section B:

Each registered member will have voting privileges at board meetings. One vote per membership.

Section C:

Any person who is interested in the activities of the Corporation is eligible for membership in the Corporation. Any member of the Corporation shall be an active member of the Corporation if properly registered.

Section D:

There shall be no compensation to any member of the Corporation unless approved by the Board or at a meeting & all expenditures must be approved by board.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Section A:

The Corporation may meet as it deems appropriate, but a general meeting will take place annually in the month of September at the Ringwood Fish Culture Station located at 13232 Highway 48, Stouffville, Ontario and such other places that shall be designated by the board of directors from time to time by resolution.

Section B:

Special meetings may be called by 2 board of directors or by any member with the approval of two board of directors.

Section C:

The Corporation's meetings are open to the members of the club, but non-members may only participate by invitation.

Section D:

All board of directors must be informed of meetings at least 2 days prior to the meeting.

Section E:

A quorum shall be constituted by five registered members, two of which are board of directors, to be present at a regular or special meeting subsequent to notification of agenda item(s) or other special notice.

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS

Section A:

The Corporation shall have a minimum of 5 elected board of directors with equal powers with three named positions, President, Treasurer, and Secretary will be elected by registered membership.

Section B:

The directors shall be elected to a 3 year term at a meeting held in the month of September each year and take possession of their office at the next regular meeting.

Section C:

Any vacancy will be filled at the next regular meeting by election.

Section D:

Candidates must be a member of the Corporation. Questions of eligibility shall be settled by the Board of Directors.

Section E:

At least 3 of the 5 board of directors shall:

1. Preside at all meetings.
2. Be responsible for preparing all agendas.
3. Sign Corporation documents and letters as needed.
4. Make appointments as necessary for the effective work of the Corporation.
5. Inform the board members of the agenda items at least 2 days
6. Shall represent the Corporation on issues as directed by majority vote of the Corporation. No representative shall speak on an issue affecting the Neighborhood without first consulting membership at a meeting.

Section F:

The election of officers shall be conducted under the procedure stated herein:

- a. The nominating committee shall prepare a slate of candidates; however, nominations will be accepted from the floor.
- b. A member may not nominate himself/herself.
- c. A nomination shall require a second before being accepted for consideration.
- d. Members must have attended at least 2 quarterly meetings in the previous 12 months in order to be eligible to vote in the election.
- e. Votes shall be cast by only by registered MEA members via an electronic ballot.
- f. Ballots shall be counted by 3 members who are not running for office.
- g. All registered voters are encouraged to exercise their right to vote. Those choosing not to vote have deemed the directors as their proxy vote.

ARTICLE VII: PERPETUITY

The Corporation shall exist in perpetuity or until dissolved or dechartered

These by-laws have been officially approved by the Board of Directors of the Metro East Anglers Inc. on this the 30th day of September 2011 for formal submission to the membership at large for ratification by vote at the following regularly scheduled Corporation meeting.

In witness thereof, the Board of Directors present place our signatures below:

| Name | Title |
|-------|------------------------|
| _____ | President |
| _____ | Treasurer |
| _____ | Secretary |
| _____ | Director of Operations |
| _____ | Director of Operations |