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# MANATEE COUNTY GUN & ARCHERY CLUB, INC. PO BOX 20789 BRADENTON, FL 34204

April 25, 2001

DIVISION OF CORPORATION ADMENDMENT SECTION PO BOX 6327 TALLAHASSEE, FL 32314 **400004084994**--1 -04/27/01--01052--005 \*\*\*\*\*43.75 \*\*\*\*\*\*43.75

RE: AMENDED & RESTATED ARTICLES MANATEE GUN & ARCHERY CLUB, INC. DOCUMENT #743043 FEIN # 59-1859462

Gentlemen,

Please record the attached set of Amended and Restated Articles. Also, please send a certified copy by return mail to:

BOB FOWINKLE MANATEE GUN & ARCHERY CLUB 120 53<sup>RD</sup> AVE W BRADENTON, FL 34207

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$43.75

If you have any questions please contact my office at 941-755-2628.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Fowinkle, Secretary Manatee Gun & Archery Club Astart

# MANATEE GUN AND ARCHERY CLUB, INC. PO BOX 20789 BRADENTON, FL 34204

# **CERTIFICATE**

These Amended and Restated Articles or Incorporation were adopted by all members present at a regular club meeting on April 9, 2001.

Robert Fowinkle Secretary/Director

April 25, 2001

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF MANATEE COUNTY GUN AND ARCHERY CLUB, INC.

(A Corporation Not For Profit)

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a corporation for nonprofit purposes, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do agree to the following:

#### ARTICLE I

#### <u>Name</u>

The name of this corporation is MANATEE COUNTY GUN AND ARCHERY CLUB, INC.

#### ARTICLE II

#### Purpose

The general nature of the purpose and objectives of this corporation shall be to promote education and safe handling of firearms, archery and shooting sports of all kinds; to provide fellowship through mutual interests, meetings and dissemination of information on such sports, and to encourage good sportsmanship among its members and the public at large. To purchase or lease and to maintain and operate lands, buildings, clubhouse or other structures or improvements as incidental to the above purposes on a nonprofit basis, and with none of the assets to accrue to the organizers, officers, directors, or members of this corporation upon dissolution and for the purpose that this corporation shall be exempt from taxation from all governmental units whatsoever.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Term of Existence

This corporation is to exist perpetually unless sooner dissolved by law.

(Rev.04/01)

#### ARTICLE IV

## Membership

The membership of this corporation shall be comprised of those persons who shall meet such requirements as set forth in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE V

### Subscribers

The names and residences of the subscribers to these articles are:

<u>NAME</u>
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# **RESIDENCE**

Sherman E. Pitts

3706 24th Avenue West

Bradenton, Florida

Kenneth L. Smith

5504 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Drive, NW

Bradenton, Florida

Marcus A. Myers

2412 Bayshore Gardens Parkway

Bradenton, Florida

Edwin T. Winkler

724 Montgomery Avenue

Sarasota, Florida

#### ARTICLE VI

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee shall consist of those officers and directors who will be elected by the general membership as specified in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### Amendments

An amendment to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed in writing by the Executive Committee, a General Member or by Petition as outlined in each section below.

#### Section One: Executive Committee

- 1. A vote of the Executive Committee passing by not less than 75% of its body;
- 2. For the first reading of the change to the general membership, notice of not less than five (5) days and no more than twenty (20) days, be sent by First Class U.S. Mail for the next regularly scheduled meeting to each member at the last known address as furnished by each member.
- 3. A second notice of not less than five (5) days and no more than twenty (20) days, will be sent by First Class U.S. Mail for the next regularly scheduled meeting to each member at the last known address as furnished by each member for the second reading of the change to the general membership. A vote will be taken at this meeting and passing will be by not less than 75% of the members in attendance.

#### Section Two: General Member

- 1. Submit in writing to the Executive Committee, his name and the names all others working on the change, the amendment to be changed and the changes to the amendment, the reason for the change and the date the change is being submitted.
- 2. The Executive Committee will review and vote on the change; if passed, the Executive Committee will start the process as defined in Section One. In the event, the Executive Committee vote is not in favor, the member at his own expense may institute the petition method.

#### Section Three: Petition

- 1. Exhibit one of this document will be the only format accepted for this method.
- 2. The petition will consist of not less than 25% of the signatures of the general membership of this Corporation as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- 3. The petition will be given to the Executive Committee for review and verification of petition signatures. If any of the forms are found to be fraudulent, the complete action will be dismissed. The authors of the petition will forfeit their memberships and be barred from future club participation for a period as determined by the Executive Committee.

# ARTICLE VII (cont.)

#### Amendments

- 4. Upon verification of signatures, the petitioner will follow the same guidelines as defined in Section One.
- 5. If the article change is approved by the general membership, the petitioner shall be entitled for reimbursement for documented expenses approved by the Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### By-Laws

The By-Laws of this corporation shall be made, amended, altered or rescinded as define in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Not-For-Profit Status

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual or member.

The corporation shall not endorse any candidate for public office nor participate in any political campaign or contest for public office. Nothing contained herein shall in any manner preclude the corporation from acting as proponent or opponent of any governmental activity of any kind which may affect the corporation or the purposes for which the corporation was formed; provided, however, that under no circumstances shall this be construed to allow the corporation as such to advocate for any public office any person seeking election or appointment thereto. This restriction shall not prohibit the individual members of the corporation in their individual capacity in any manner or way.

In the event that this corporation is dissolved with any assets therein, The Executive Committee shall decide the disposition of all club assets, and shall transfer to any other non-profit corporation or group of a similar nature to this corporation or such other entity that is a corporation not operating for profit, and which when receiving such assets would not make such transfer taxable by any governmental entity.

#### ARTICLE X

#### **Dues**

The payment of annual, membership dues and assessments shall be determined in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### <u>Powers</u>

In order to promote the purpose of this corporation, it may acquire property by grant, gift, purchase, devise or bequest and hold and dispose of such property as the corporation shall require for the benefit of the members and not for monetary profit.

#### ARTICLE XII

## Meetings

The Parliamentary procedure of Roberts Rules of Order, latest revision, shall govern the conduct and deliberations at all meetings.

Types, places, dates and quorums for any meetings shall be determined in the By-Laws.

## ARTICLE XIII

#### Voting

For the purpose of voting in this corporation, all members in good standing shall be entitled to vote.

#### ARTICLE XIV.

# **Vacancies**

The Executive Committee shall fill any vacancy in the Executive Committee. An officer vacancy shall be filled from a director by Executive Committee approval. A director vacancy shall be filled from the general membership by Executive Committee approval. This appointment shall last for the remainder of the unexpired term.

### ARTICLE XV

# Method of Electing Officers & Directors

The election of officers and directors shall be set forth in the By-Laws of this corporation.