

**By-laws of RR&R Lair No. 3**  
**[Adopted December 14, 2019]**

**Section I -- Flag**

- 1.1 The flag of the Rascals, Rogues, and Rapsallions (RR&R) was adopted by the membership of the Lair No. 1 on September 24, 1994. It serves as a visual reminder of the fraternal society it represents.
- 1.2 The Lair's flag(s) shall be deposited for safe keeping with the Director.
- 1.3 The flag shall be displayed at all Lair functions.
- 1.4 The flag may be borrowed by a Rascal in good standing to mark a meeting of two or more Rascals.
  - 1.4.1 To borrow a flag, a Rascal shall make a written application to the Director, describing the event over which the flag is to fly.
  - 1.4.2 Such meetings shall be of a sort to bring honor to the RR&R.
  - 1.4.3 The Director shall maintain a log-book into which will be inscribed the details of the meeting over which the flag flew, including photographs, signatures, and other memorabilia.
  - 1.4.4 Rascals who borrow the flag are responsible for its care and agree to pay for its replacement or repair should it be damaged.
- 1.5 A toast to the fabricator of the first RR&R flag, Jane Wolfson, shall be made at every regular meeting of the lair.

**Section II -- Quarterly Meetings**

- 2.1 The central feature of RR&R quarterly meetings shall be presentations made in response to Challenges, which are of four kinds: Rascal, Rogue, Mass, and Ad Hoc.
- 2.2 A Rascal Challenge shall be made to a Rascal in the Lair by the Director not later than the evening of the quarterly meeting prior to the quarterly meeting at which the Rascal Challenge presentation is to be made. Challenges shall be chosen in keeping with RR&R tradition and in the interest of the Lair. Upon successful completion of the Rascal Challenge, the Rascal shall be elevated to the rank of Rogue.
- 2.3 Rogue Challenges are made to Rogues by the Order of Rapsallions. Presentations in response to Rogue Challenges shall be scheduled at the convenience of the Lair. Upon successful completion of the Rogue Challenge presentation, the Rogue shall be elevated to the rank of Rapsallion.
- 2.4 The Mass Challenge is defined in Section III.
- 2.5 In the absence of a Rascal, Rogue, or Mass Challenge presentation, the Director shall assign an Ad Hoc Challenge to a member of the Lair, chosen by lot, not later than the evening of the quarterly meeting prior to the quarterly meeting at which the Ad Hoc Challenge presentation is to be made.
- 2.6 One meeting each year will be for Research Reports. In lieu of a Challenge presentation, each member of the Lair will give a brief presentation regarding his latest research interests. Guests are welcome to present.
- 2.7 In the event of the failure of an individual to deliver a presentation in response to the Challenge he has received, the Director shall be responsible for the evening's program.

**Section III -- Mass Challenge**

- 3.1 The Mass Challenge competition shall take place annually at the fourth quarter meeting.
- 3.2 The Mass Challenge shall be chosen by the Director and announced at least six months prior to the fourth quarter meeting. The Mass Challenge shall be chosen in keeping with RR&R tradition and in the interest of the Lair.
- 3.3 All Rascals shall compete in the Mass Challenge competition.
- 3.4 Each individual competing in the Mass Challenge competition shall be allotted five minutes for his presentation.
- 3.5 The winner of the Mass Challenge competition shall be chosen by a simple majority of the members and guests present at the meeting following all the presentations.
- 3.6 Prospective members are encouraged to participate in the Mass Challenge competition.
- 3.7 Mass Challenge presentations may be made in absentia.

#### **Section IV -- Jonathan Z. Landgraf Prize**

4.1 In memory of Rascal Jonathan Zerse Landgraf, the Lair shall award a Landgraf medal to the winner of the Mass Challenge. This medal, designed and produced by Lisa Kotchey, shall be presented at the Rascal Ball. The cost of producing the medal shall be paid by the Lair.

#### **Section V -- Membership**

5.1 Candidates for membership shall be endorsed by two members in good standing.

5.2 Membership begins upon 1) unanimous election at any quarterly meeting of the Lair, and 2) payment of membership fees.

5.3 Annual membership fees are due on the first day of January. Initial fees for new members shall be prorated for the number of quarters remaining in the year.

5.4 To remain in good standing, a Rascal must 1) pay all membership fees, and 2) participate in the annual Mass Challenge or Research Reports. Failure to do so for two consecutive years will place the Rascal on the inactive roll.

#### **Section VI -- Rascal o' the Year**

6.1 To honor the Rascal who has contributed most to the life of the Lair in the previous calendar year, a Rascal o' the Year shall be chosen from among the Rascals of the Lair.

6.2 The Rascal o' the Year shall be elected by a simple majority of Rascals in good standing.

6.3 A tie vote shall be settled by an arm wrestling match at the Rascal Ball.

6.4 The Director may not be elected Rascal o' the Year.

6.5 All Rascals shall cast a ballot for Rascal o' the Year.

6.6 No Rascal may vote for himself.

6.7 The Director shall be responsible for polling all Rascals. The Secretary shall assist the Director and confirm his results.

6.8 The Rascal o' the Year trophy shall be presented to the Rascal o' the Year at the annual Rascal Ball.

6.9 The Rascal o' the Year shall display the trophy prominently in his house for the entire year he possesses it.

6.10 The trophy remains the property of the Lair and the Rascal o' the Year and must be surrendered to the Director at the following Rascal Ball.

6.11 The Rascal o' the Year bears all responsibility for the protection of the trophy and may not alter or damage the trophy in any way. In the event of damage to the trophy, repairs will be arranged by the Director, with all costs to be paid by the Rascal o' the Year.