



Kinzua Country Metal Detecting Constitution and By-Laws

Article 1: NAME

The name of this organization or “Club” shall be “**Kinzua Country Metal Detecting.**” For the purposes of this document Kinzua Country Metal Detecting will be referred to by “KCMD.”

Article 2: PURPOSE

To unite, promote and encourage metal detecting. To preserve the hobby/sport of metal detecting. To encourage members to work responsibly within the detectors code of conduct. To facilitate a spirit of co-operation between museums, archaeologists, historical research societies and other fellow detectorists, with the aim of opening up a wider range of activities for members.

Article 3: MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to anyone 18 years of age or older. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult holding a current family membership. This is including all KCMD functions including but not limited to meetings, hunts, research gatherings and any other KCMD sponsored events.

The Annual Individual Membership dues will be the amount of \$20.00. The Annual Family Membership dues will be the amount of \$30.00. All renewing membership dues are to be paid no later than the 2nd meeting of the new calendar year (i.e. meeting held in the month of February). All new memberships will be paid no later than the 2nd meeting attended and will be prorated based on the following formula (January – March [100%], April – June [75%], July – September [50%], October – December [25%]). Each member will receive a new membership card as a receipt for paid dues.

All members of KCMD are responsible for knowing, understanding and complying with the Constitution and By-laws and the Metal Detector's code of Ethics. Any member who willfully violates the preceding statutes can be subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion of membership. All disciplinary action is to be determined by the club officers. This decision will then be voted on by the club membership. And the decision will carry with a simple majority.

Article 4: MEETINGS

KCMD will hold 1 organized meeting and 1 organized hunt monthly (weather Permitting) from January through December . Meetings will be held from 6:00P.M to 8:00P.M on the night specified at the location specified as determined by the the voting

members of KCMD. Hunting times, locations and lengths will be determined by the membership by vote, which will carry by simple majority. On occasion, additional meetings can be planned and held as determined by the the membership when deemed necessary.

All meetings will be conducted in an orderly manner. During the business portion of the meeting, all members wishing to make a motion or speak before the membership shall wait to be recognized by the chair (President or presiding officer) before speaking. All motions made will require a second motion and then a vote requiring a simple majority to carry said motion.

The order of the business portion of the meeting will be as follows

1. Roll Call (For a Quorum)
2. Introduction of Guests
3. Reading of minutes from the last meeting
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Unfinished and Old Business
6. New Business
7. Closing

The business portion of the monthly meeting will be no longer than 45minutes. All business not completed will be added to the following meeting's agenda. In some circumstances this maybe changed based on the priority of the business, this will be at the discretion of the presiding officer.

A quorum will consist of at least 3 officers and 10% of the membership. This number must be present to conduct club business. Changes to the Constitution and By-laws will require all Officers and 50% of the membership. A first and second motion is required and said motion will carry with a 2/3 majority vote.

Article 5: OFFICERS

The Elected officers of the club shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer. These elected positions will be for a period of 1 year beginning the first meeting of the new calendar year. Nominations will take place during the November meeting and Elections for these positions will take place in December. If there are no nominations for new officers the individual currently holding that position will continue to hold said position for the new calendar year. There will be no term limits on elected positions All elections will be by secret ballot and will carry with simple majority.

President (Duties)

The President shall be the chief executive officer and shall supervise the affairs of the KCMD and the activities of the officers. He or she shall perform all duties incident to his or her office and such other duties as may be required by the KCMD Constitution and By-laws, or which may be prescribed from time to time by the club membership. The President shall have the general supervision of the KCMD, shall see that all orders and resolutions are carried into effect, that all officers, committees, and individuals perform their assigned duties as provided for by the Constitution and By-Laws, by orders, or by resolutions. The President shall work under the direction of the Constitution and

By-laws. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of KCMD. If the need should arise that a temporary committee should be formed, the President will appoint a chairperson to head the committee. The length of said committee will be at the discretion of the presiding president.

Vice-President (Duties)

The Vice President shall be vested with the powers of the President in that officer's absence or inability to do his duty and automatically become President if a vacancy occurs during the term and shall assume the responsibility for all meetings and programs.

Secretary (Duties)

The Secretary will keep minutes of all regular meetings and any other meetings that are deemed necessary by the club officers. Shall sign, with the President all contracts and permits involving the KCMD. Shall dispatch correspondence as needed. Shall keep a record of necessary correspondence to and from the KCMD. Shall maintain all written records of KCMD from the beginning of club charter. Shall perform such other duties as may be delegated by the club officers or the President.

Treasurer (Duties)

The Treasurer shall keep full and accurate records of all receipts and disbursements. Receive, and give receipt for, monies due and payable to KCMD from any source. Keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of KCMD's properties and business transactions, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains and losses. The President shall appoint a two-person audit committee to review the Treasurer's books annually and prior to turning these records over to the successor.

Article 6: Disbandment

In the event of the dissolution of KCMD, all its assets and funds shall be given to the Warren County Historical Society or non-profit organization chosen by the membership with a simple majority vote.