## FLORIDA FLY ROD CLUB BY-LAWS ADDENDUM #3 Issued 11/01/07

Note: Some items will not become effective until February 1, 2008.

## Definitions:

A. **Fishing guest**: Any non-member, including a <u>former member</u>. A former member's previous status is considered irrelevant. Guests are <u>not</u> eligible for any club awards. However, their catch shall count toward team weight in a Buddy Tournament.

B. **Mr. Flyrod, Mr. Bass and Mr. Panfish** hereafter shall be construed as Mr. or Ms. Flyrod, Mr. or Ms. Bass, and Mr. or Ms. Panfish.

## Amendments:

- A. Change "By-Laws Article II Membership, Section 1: Requirements for Membership, a. Senior Membership (1)" to read:
  - "a. There shall be no age limit."

[Approved by members in February 2006.]

B. Change "By-Laws Article II – Membership, Section 2: Membership Dues, subparagraph a" to read:

"a. Senior Members and Associate Members shall have the option of paying \$25 per year for an individual membership or \$30 for a family membership, payable upon acceptance into membership. A family membership is available to the Senior or Associate member and shall include his/her married spouse, minor (under age 18) children, stepchildren and grandchildren."

[Approved by members on October 2, 2007. Will become effective February 1, 2008.]

C. Change "By-Laws Article III: Officers, Elections, Vacancies, Eligibility & Meetings, Section 1: Officers and their Duties, subparagraph b. Vice President" to read:

"b. Vice President: Assists the President in his duties and presides in the absence of the President. Serves as Chairman of the Tournament Committee and Weigh Master."

[Approved by members on October 2, 2007 to make the Program Director a position appointed by the seated President as are other appointments outlined in Section I: Officers and their Duties, subparagraph f.]

D. Change "By-Laws Article III: Officers, Elections, Vacancies, Eligibility & Meetings, Section 1: Officers and their Duties, subparagraph e" to read:

"e. The above four officers shall be defined as the Board."

[This is an administrative correction to remove the words "...and Tournament Committee." The Tournament Committee is defined in Tournament Rules and Regulations revised March 2000, Section 4 "Tournament Committee", subparagraph a. does not include any Officers except the Vice President.] E. Change "Tournament Rules and Regulations revised March 2000, Section 4 "Tournament Committee", subparagraph "a." to read:

"a. The Tournament Committee shall consist of seven (7) members: The club Vice President shall be Chairman. He will be joined by the Mr. or Ms. Flyrod from the Grand Master, Master and Sports Angler Divisions. The Vice President will select a member at large from each division to complete the committee. In the event the Vice President is a "Mr. or Ms. Flyrod", he will select one additional member at large from the division his position as Chairman vacates to complete the Committee."

[This amendment was member-approved in 2007 to agree with the acceptance of the Grand Masters Division approved in 2001.]

F. Add to "Tournament Rules and Regulations revised March 2000, Section 4 "Tournament Committee, Section 15, Scoring a new section":

"j. Buddy Tournament: A tournament where two fly fishermen fishing from one boat count the sum of their catches with a limit of 20 fish per boat. Included in the 20-fish count can be no more than a total of 5 bass per team—not per person.

"The following can make a buddy team:

1. A Grand Master Angler can fish with anyone from the Master Angler Division, the Sports Angler Division or a non-member guest. He/she can <u>not</u> fish with another person in the Grand Master Angler Division.

2. A Master Angler can fish with anyone from the Grand Master Division, the Sports Angler Division or a non-member guest. He/she can <u>not</u> fish with another person in the Master Angler Division.

3. A Sports Angler can fish with anyone in any division, including another member of the Sports Angler Division, or a non-member guest.

4. A member fishing solo in a Buddy Tournament can only count ten (10) fish, including five (5) bass.

5. Exception to 1 & 2 above: Wives are allowed to fish with their husbands even if they are both in the same division.

[Item 5 was allowed by membership vote in April 2005.]

[Item j. makes part of the Tournament Rules and Regulations a tournament which was sanctioned by the club, in fact, but not included in the Tournament Rules and Regulations. The exact date this action was approved by members is unknown.]

G. Add the following to "Tournament Rules and Regulations revised March 2000, Section 16 Penalties":

"d. <u>Penalty for violation in Buddy Tournament</u>: Each member of the team in violation will be considered as a solo fisherman and can only count half of the total weight."

- I. Change "Tournament Rules and Regulations revised March 2000, Section 17 Yearly Awards" to read:
  - "a.

The club will recognize winners in the following categories:

Mr. or Ms. Flyrod in the Grand Master Anglers, Master Anglers and Sports Anglers DivisionsMr. or Ms. Bass in all divisionsMr. or Ms. Panfish in all divisions

"b. No member may win more than one of the above awards. In the event of a tie, Mr. or Ms. Bass will be recognized above Mr. or Ms. Panfish.

"c. Awards will be based on the member's eight (8) best tournaments in each category."

[C.a. was approved by members in 2001.][C.b. is changed only to recognize a female winner.][C.c. was approved by members on October 2, 2007. This change shall become effective February 1, 2008.]

J. Change "Tournament Rules and Regulations revised March 2000, Section 17 Yearly Awards, subparagraph d" to read:

"d. Additional Awards:

"(1) The club will also recognize the "big fish of the year" in the following categories: largemouth bass, speckled perch (black crappie), bream (bluegill), and shellcracker (red-eared sunfish).

"(2) A "big fish" caught in a Buddy Tournament is only eligible for award by the <u>member</u> who caught it. Non-members are not eligible for a "big fish" award.

"Note: If a member catches a big fish in a regular or buddy tournament, the club shall pay for the mounting up to \$150. (For info: This will cover all or most of the cost at Brown's Taxidermy in Port Canaveral.)"

[Administrative clarification regarding fish caught during a buddy tournament.]

K. Add the following to "Tournament Rules and Regulations, Revised through March 2000; paragraph 4 Tournament Committee, Subparagraph 15 Scoring":

"j. When a tournament spans several Counties, the member shall abide by the laws of the State of Florida, the County in which the fish is caught <u>and</u> the County in which the fish is weighed. Example: A 15" bass legally caught in Dade County can not be weighed in Glades County because that is not a legal catch in Glades County."

[Administrative clarification of legal weigh-ins.]

L. The "Division into Two Classifications: Master Anglers and Sports Anglers", which was updated July 1993, is herewith revised in its entirety to include a Grand Master Anglers Division. The revision is attached hereto.

[This amendment was member-approved in 2001.]

## FLORIDA FLYROD CLUB -- THREE DIVISIONS – GRAND MASTER ANGLERS, MASTER ANGLERS AND SPORTS ANGLERS

Revised November 1, 2007

**Grand Master Angler:** Anyone who has won the Master Angler Division two times (consecutively or non-consecutively).

Anyone who feels that they have the ability or desire to compete at this level and have not met the criteria above may choose to declare themselves Grand Master Anglers for the purpose of competition. However, if a member declares themselves into the Grand Master's division they are required to compete at this level for the entire year. They may move down to the Master Angler Division provided that they win no more than two monthly tournaments or any of the major yearly awards in the Masters Division.

[This amendment was member-approved in 2001.]

**Master Angler**: Anyone who won the title Mr. Flyrod, Mr. Bass or Mr. Panfish prior to the 1988 fishing year will be classified as a Master Angler until he meets the qualifications to move up to the Grand Master Angler Division.

Anyone who feels that they have the ability or desire to compete at this level and have not met the criteria above may choose to declare themselves Master Anglers for the purpose of competition. However, if a member declares themselves into the Master's division they are required to compete at this level for the entire year. They may move down to the Sports Division provided that they win no more than two monthly tournaments or any of the major yearly awards in the Masters Division.

[This amendment was member-approved in May 2005.]

**Sports Angler**: Anyone who does not meet the qualifications for Grand Master Angler or Master Angler as outlined above will be placed into the Sports Angler Division. Anyone who wins the title of Mr. Flyrod once shall move up to the Master Angler Division.

[This amendment was member-approved in May 2005.]

**New Members**: Will be classified by the Tournament Committee, consideration shall be given to the following:

- a. Recommendation of nominating member.
- b. Knowledge of new member's ability. New members who were mistakenly placed in the Grand Master or Master' Division by the Tournament Committee would be allowed to move down in class after having fished, unsuccessfully, in five (5) tournaments. Their weight will move with them and be considered in the Sports Angler Division for the purpose of annual awards.

Yearly Trophies for the Grand Master Angler, Master Angler and Sports Angler Divisions are: Mr. or Ms. Flyrod Mr. or Ms. Bass Mr. or Ms. Panfish"

Annual "Big Fish" awards will be at the club level with no differentiations made for class.