



- A. **Regular Members** must be twenty-one, and shall consist of members except those listed in sub-sections B, C, D, E and F. A regular member has privileges to hold office, to vote, and all other rights and privileges of membership including participation in Club activities, and the right to wear the Club Patch and fly the Club Burgee.
- B. **Family Members** shall include all the dependents of the member. Family members have the same rights and privileges as a regular member; however, there can be only one vote per family or one elected officer per family in office at one time. The family member must be at least twenty-one to hold office.
- C. **Sustaining Membership** may be granted to any member in good standing by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board in cases where a prolonged absence or other compelling reason make it impossible or impractical for the member of the member's family to use the club's facilities. Such status is terminated upon a member's return to the club.
- D. **Honorary memberships** may be granted to a member in good standing who has made an exceptional and outstanding contribution to the club, the community and sailing. Such memberships may be granted upon recommendation by the Board and two-thirds majority vote of the membership. Such membership will be for a designated period of time, and no dues will be payable during this time. Such membership shall carry with it all rights and privileges of regular membership.
- E. **Associate Membership** is open to individuals who are interested in sailing, and who crew with boat owners. This membership does not include voting privileges, or the privilege of racing as a boat owner or skipper. The Associate Member would receive all publications put out by the Thunderbird Sailing Club, such as the *Mainsheet*, and would be welcome to participate in all club racing and social events. There would be no initiation fee. Annual dues would be set by a vote of the club. (A \$25.00 annual fee was adopted with this amendment in Nov, 1999.)
- F. **Student Membership** is open to full-time students. This membership does not include voting privileges, but does include the privilege of racing as a boat owner or skipper. Students who regularly crew with Sailing Club members would be encouraged to join. Student members would receive all publications put out by the Thunderbird Sailing Club, such as the *Mainsheet*, and would be welcome to participate in all club racing and social events. There would be no initiation fee. Annual dues would be set by a vote of the club. (A \$15.00 annual fee was adopted with this amendment in April, 1991.)
- G. **Group Membership**. This policy is to cover organized GROUPS that wish to acquire Thunderbird Sailing Club Group Membership. Examples of organizations are the Navy ROTC and OU Sailing Club. The Executive Committee will make final rulings on qualifications for each 'group' membership. The members of the GROUP will adhere to all Thunderbird Sailing Club Bylaws and Standing Rules. Membership fees are the same as one full voting membership in effect at that time. There is no pro-rating of dues for GROUPS. Full annual dues are due at the time of membership and there shall be no refunds should membership be dropped. There must be one person who will represent the GROUP and who will be responsible for casting any votes on behalf of the GROUP and for keeping their membership notified of Thunderbird Sailing Club activities. Mailings will be sent to the representative. All members of the GROUP are invited to attend Thunderbird Sailing Club meetings, regattas, and social events. GROUP members who wish to race must pay the same fees for racing as regular members.