

ARTICLE VII -- ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Section 1. Nominations for the several offices shall be made from the floor at the annual meeting of the Executive Board in odd-numbered years. No nomination will be in order without the consent of the person being nominated.
- Section 2. The President shall appoint two (2) Election Marshals, one to supervise balloting by the clubs, the other balloting by the individual members. Neither marshal shall be a candidate for office. The Election Marshals shall prepare and mail ballots to the member clubs and individual members at least 90 days prior to the Annual Meeting in even-numbered years. A brief resume prepared by each candidate may be included with the ballot.
- Section 3. The ballots are to be returned by the member clubs and individual members so as to be in the hands of the respective Election Marshal at least 10 days prior to the Annual Meeting. The ballots are to be sealed inside a plain unmarked envelope which is enclosed in an envelope addressed to the Election Marshal. The name of the member club or individual member shall be a part of the return address and the word **BALLOT** shall be plainly visible on the outer envelope.
- Section 4. Each member club in good standing as of 1 February of that year is entitled to vote for each office. (See By-laws, Article 1, Section 2.) Each individual member in good standing as of February 1 of that year is entitled to one vote for each office.
- Section 5. The Election Marshals shall present the unopened outer envelopes at the Annual Meeting, where they will be checked against those entitled to vote, be opened, and the unmarked inner envelope removed. These shall then be given to the tellers to count and report the vote. The candidate receiving the majority of votes cast and, upon meeting all other qualifications for the office, will be declared elected. In the case of no candidate being elected to an office (ties, less than a majority vote for the leading candidate, inability to assume the office, or any other circumstance which would leave an office vacant), the incumbent shall continue in office until the Executive Board can fill the vacancy.