

Bylaws
for The Mountain Ears,
The Washington State Chapter of
the National Fantasy Fan Club,
The Club for Disneyana Enthusiasts

Article 1. Name

This organization shall be know as “The Mountain Ears”, the Washington State Chapter of the National Fantasy Fan Club, The Club for Disneyana Enthusiasts (“The Club”).

Article 2. Purpose

The purpose of this organization is:

1. To promote, encourage, and stimulate the hobby of collecting and enjoying Disneyana.
2. To encourage a friendly relationship among Disneyana collectors and enthusiasts.
3. To assist members in the buying, selling, and trading of Disneyana.
4. To acquire and preserve Disneyana for the education of and enjoyment by the membership and the general public.
5. To assist other individuals or organizations in the acquisition and preservation of Disneyana.

Article 3. Membership

1. Membership shall be open to all persons who have an interest in the purpose of The Club.
2. Application for membership shall be submitted in two parts:
 - A. A membership form and dues collected in the form of a check or money order made out to the National Fantasy Fan Club.
 - B. A membership form shall be submitted for the Washington State Chapter.
3. The annual dues of the Washington State Chapter shall be twelve dollars (\$12) and shall be payable on the receipt of Article 3 paragraph 2 sections A and B and shall be for twelve months.
 - A. Dues shall be renewed by July 1st of each year. If a new applicant joins in mid-year, dues shall be one dollar for each month until renewal in July.
4. The chapter shall have three membership classifications:
 - A. Regular - an individual - one vote per membership
 - B. Family - all individuals residing in the same household and as a family shall have one vote.
 - C. Honorary - any individual or group who has shown a special purpose to the Mountain Ears. No voting and no dues required.

5. A member with dues that aren't received by September 1st shall be dropped from membership.
6. Members shall be entitled to attend all club meetings and activities.
7. The membership of an individual may be revoked for improper conduct, as set forth by the rules and guidelines of the national board of directors.

Article 4. Meetings and Elections

1. Meetings shall be held once a month with the exception that there shall be no meeting for the month of July.
2. Meeting places shall be up to the board.
3. A quorum of five or more is required to conduct business at meetings.
4. A simple majority of the quorum shall be sufficient to approve any ballot and business of The Club.
5. Election of officers shall be held at the June meeting of every year.
6. Absentee ballots shall be included in the April/May newsletter.
7. Each election shall have an opening for PRESIDENT or CO-PRESIDENTS, VICE-PRESIDENT, TREASURER, and a SECRETARY.
8. No one person may hold the same office for more than two consecutive years.

Article 5. Elected Officers and Duties

1. **PRESIDENT or CO-PRESIDENTS:** The President shall preside at all meetings of The Club and of those of the board. The President shall name all appointive positions and shall name signers to the financial accounts of The Club, subject to the approval of the board. The President shall supervise all officers and appointive positions to insure full completion of their duties.
2. **VICE PRESIDENT:** The Vice President shall mail out a membership packet consisting of Chapter Bylaws, our latest newsletter, and a listing of the next meetings to all new members. The Vice President shall personally contact the new member via phone and welcome them to The Club and answer any questions they have at that time. The Vice President shall keep the membership roster updated and preside over the monthly meetings when the President is absent.
3. **TREASURER:** The Treasurer shall manage all financial matters of The Club. The Treasurer shall collect all money, funds, and dues owed to The Club and deposit in an account approved by the board. The Treasurer shall be responsible for submitting quarterly financial reports to the National Fantasy Fan Club by the dates of March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.
4. **SECRETARY:** The Secretary shall process all correspondence received by The Club. The Secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings, take attendance at all meetings, record silent auction items sold (including item, donated by, bought by, and amount), trivia contest winners, and door prize winners.

Article 6. Appointive Positions

1. The President shall appoint chairpersons for standing committees subject to the approval of the board.
2. Committees shall be set up for any extra activities, i.e. auctions, raffles, club outings, or any activity not normally done at a meeting.

Article 7. Nominations

1. All candidates for office must be members in good standing with the National Fantasy Fan Club and the Washington State Chapter.
2. Nominations may be made at the April and May meetings but shall close at the end of the May meeting.
3. Any member in good standing may be nominated or nominate themselves.
4. An individual may accept nomination for only one office.
5. No two persons of the same household shall hold the office of President and Treasurer at the same time.

Article 8. Amendments

1. Any member may bring up to The Club a proposal to amend any part of these by-laws.
2. All amendments approved by The Club will not take affect until they are approved and cleared with National.

Article 9. National

1. All chapter members must be members of the National Fantasy Fan Club.
2. There must be at least five National Fantasy Fan Club members to begin a chapter.
3. To begin an officially chartered chapter you must submit the chapter by-laws, chapter rules and regulations, membership roster, and a list of officers. After chartering, chapters must submit membership rosters and financial reports quarterly.
4. Disney copyrighted materials and characters may not be reproduced for decorative or logo purposes. This does not include product information or photos of collections used in conjunction with articles.
5. Direct contact with the Disney Co. is not allowed without prior approval of the National Board.
6. If the board or chapters enter into any financial dealings with a board member or a chapter officer, that board member or officer must not vote on the transaction.
7. No more than 49% of the board can have a financial interest in the organization. This includes leasing space to The Club, selling products to The Club, being an employee, etc.

Article 10. Disney Legal Department

1. The NFFC shall refrain from using mouse ears cap in its logos or in its newsletters. The mouse ears cap is a registered trademark and the company closely regulates its use.
2. References in the newsletters or other publications to our parks should be in the following form:
 - Walt Disney World Resort
 - Epcot Center
 - Magic Kingdom Park
3. Disney legal department has requested that in the future when any of the clubs desires to use the names of Disney film titles as the theme or theme name for their events (i.e. Mary Poppins), that they must receive prior permission from the Disney Co. Request to use a Disney theme should be directed to Ms. T.J. Baptie at the Disney Studio.

Article 11. Rules and Guidelines

This chapter, known as The Mountain Ears, the Washington State Chapter of the National Fantasy Fan Club, shall adopt the rules and guidelines set forth by the National Fantasy Fan Club on 16 January 1988.

Article 12. Amendments of Bylaws

These by-laws were amended on 12 April 1992.

These by-laws were amended on 2 March 1995.

These by-laws were amended on 4 November 1999.