

BVDC Membership Options for 2020

***** Different from 2019 *****

Summary of changes for 2020: We have eliminated the “Associate” membership level. Very few people selected this level and the differences between the “Associate” and “Full” membership caused confusion! We now have only 2 membership levels: (1) Annual (Individual or Family/Group) and (2) Lifetime (Individual only). There are two add-on options available to both members levels: (a) Paper Newsletter and (b) Members-only Business Advertising.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS:

(1) Annual Member with Electronic Newsletter - All the same benefits provided in past years. **2020 rates:** \$25 for Individuals, \$35 for Family/Group.

(2) Life Member with Electronic Newsletter - Available only for Individual Memberships. All the same benefits as the annual membership but never pay dues again! **2020 rate:** \$250 for Life/Individual.

OPTIONS (available to both Annual and Life Memberships): The options are coterminous with the membership year no matter when the option is selected during the year; the fees will not be pro-rated.

(a) Paper Newsletter – A member may opt to have a paper copy of the monthly newsletter mailed to them. The rate covers part of the cost of printing and mailing the paper newsletter (which now costs the club about \$40 per year). **2020 rate:** \$35

(b) Additional Copy of Paper Directory – One free copy is included with the membership fee. **2020 rate:** \$5

(c) Members-only Business Advertising - Members with a business can advertise via BVDC communications (article and ad in the newsletter, and ad on the website, in the printed annual directory, and our Facebook). **2020 rate:** \$50

BVDC Membership Year Explained

Membership runs from March 1 through the following February regardless of the month in which an individual or entity joins. The Membership Fee is the same price regardless of the month the individual or entity becomes a member.

Membership shall automatically terminate for members whose dues remain unpaid after March 1 of any year.

Membership Fees are due by the first day in March. Renewals paid between January 1 and the last day in February will be considered membership for one (1) year. For example, the renewal year would start March 1st and terminate the last day in February in the following calendar year. New memberships paid between January 1 and the last day of February begin immediately and terminate the last day of February in the following calendar year.

Members may extend their membership by one year at any time by paying the current annual dues amount for their type of membership or upgrade their membership by paying the additional annual amount for the upgrade category.

Comparison of Benefits

The table below shows a comparison of the benefits available to members vs. non-members.

Membership Benefits	BVDC Member	Non-members
Voting Rights - 1 per membership (both Individual and Family)	Yes	No
Eligible to Serve on Board of Directors	Yes	No
General Membership Meetings	Yes	Only as a guest of a member
Directory Listing (2nd Listing free on request)	Yes	No
Online Directory Access	Yes	No
Paper Directory (1st copy free; add'l copy \$5)	Yes	No
Electronic Newsletter	Yes, via email & on our website	Publicly available on our website
Paper Newsletter (1 copy)	Optional (for add'l fee)	No
E-lines Notifications (optional)	Yes	No
Free Classified Ads (newsletter & website)	Yes	No
Business Advertising	Yes	No
Trot & Track Participation/Awards	Yes	No
Annual Photo Contest Participation/Awards	Yes	No
Suzy Stafford Cones Award	Yes	No
Non-member surcharge for BVDC Events with fees (shows, clinics, etc.) that are open to the public	No	Yes

Membership Rates

The table below shows the membership rates by level for 2020.

Membership Class	Rate
Annual Fee for Individual	\$25
Lifetime Fee for Individual	\$250
Annual Fee for Family/Group	\$35
Membership Options	Add-on Cost (per year)
Paper Newsletter	+ \$35
Add'l Copy of Paper Directory	+ \$5
Members-Only Advertising Package	+ \$50