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DUES PRORATION (effective for the year 2022/2023) fiscal year 2022

This is the way the prorated dues system works: The membership voted to raise dues from \$30. to \$35.00. This affects the proration amounts.

The SCV operates on a fiscal year (not calendar) beginning August 1st of one year and going through July 31st of the following year. The current fiscal year, August 1, 2022, through July 31, 2023, is shown as status 2022 on your roster, and it means the member's dues are paid through July 31, 2023. Additionally, there is now a 1-month grace period from August 1st through September 1st when members are still current while camps work to collect the annual dues for the next fiscal year. Dues submissions postmarked after September 1st of each year are now subject to a \$5 late fee in addition to the normal \$35 annual dues. This extra \$5 fee also applies to all delinquent/former members wishing to reinstate but cannot be prorated anymore.

If someone joins as a new member in **February, March, or April 2023** (which is technically the 3rd quarter of our fiscal year) he can pay his \$35 yearly dues and the \$5 processing fee, and he has the option to pay an additional \$17.5 for a total of **\$57.50** to join for both the current fiscal year as well as the next fiscal year as status 2022, meaning his dues will be advanced & paid through July 31, 2024. The \$17.50 counts for the remainder of the current year, and the \$35 is for the following year. You may **not** just pay \$17.5 to finish the current without paying for the following year as well.

If someone joins as a new member in **May, June, or July 2023** (which is technically the 4th quarter of our fiscal year) he can pay his \$35 yearly dues and the \$5 processing fee, and he has the option to pay an additional \$8.75 for a total of **\$48.75** to join for both the current fiscal year as well as the next fiscal year as status 2022, meaning his dues will be advanced & paid through July 31, 2024. The \$8.75 counts for the remainder of the current year, and the \$35 is for the following year. You may not just pay \$8.75 to finish the current without paying for the following year as well.

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Please remember that the shortened grace period to pay dues without a \$5 late fee beginning Aug. 1st is now only 1 month ending each Sept. 1st & this prorated dues option is now only available for brand new members joining in the 3rd or 4th quarter. Proration of reinstatements/delinquents less than 2 years is not an option

There is <u>not</u> an option to pay only the partial dues for the remainder of the current fiscal year. This prorated dues policy, originally adopted at the 2005 Nashville Convention, is a great improvement over the past practice when men who joined during the last six months of the fiscal year had only one option which was to pay the entire \$35 for the remaining months in the fiscal year only to get hit up for dues again when the new fiscal year begins each Aug. 1st. The proration period does not begin until February 1st of each fiscal year & cannot be prorated until then.

PLEASE DO NOT JUST SEND THE PARTIAL PRORATED DUES AMOUNT WITHOUT INCLUDING A FULL YEAR'S DUES WITH IT