**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Midland Marlin Club is to promote the sport of marlin fishing in the heart of West Texas, facilitate fellowship among believers in the existence of landlocked marlins, advocate for Marlin conservation, and uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship and lassoing techniques.

## **Objectives:**

- 1. **Promote Marlin Wrangling:** Encourage members to engage in the pursuit of marlin wrangling, to celebrate the legendary marlin.
- 2. **Foster Community:** Provide opportunities for members to connect, share tall tales, and bond over their shared belief in the existence of landlocked marlins through social events, or unsuccessful fishing trips.
- 3. **Conserve Marine Resources:** Partner with local and conservation organizations to support the preservation of watering holes that the West Texas Marlin calls home.
- 4. **Educate and Inspire:** Offer educational programs, workshops, and charter trips to inspire community members of our shared passion.
- 5. **Enhance Public Awareness:** Raise awareness about the thrills of Marlin lassoing through the power of storytelling, and the joy of believing in the impossible through public outreach, media campaigns, and community engagement initiatives.

**Membership:** Membership in the Midland Marlin Club is open to individuals residing in Midland and surrounding areas who possess a fervent belief in the existence of landlocked marlins. Prospective members must submit a membership application and pay annual dues. Midland Yacht Club members are encouraged to join.

**Governance:** The Midland Marlin Club is governed by a council elected by the membership. The council is responsible for organizing events and representing the interests of the members of the MMC.

**Code of Conduct:** All members of the Midland Marlin Club are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting of the club. Members are to, without exception, wear only American made FR Clothing. Violations of the code of conduct may result in banishment to the state of Oklahoma.

**Amendments:** This charter may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the membership, provided that proposed amendments are submitted in writing and circulated to members via carrier pigeon least 30 days prior to the vote.

**Conclusion:** The Midland Marlin Club invites you to join us on an expedition through the world of marlin fishing.

Adopted this 4th day of April 2024

Captain: Erin O'Sullivan

Swabbie: John O'Sullivan