2025 Bylaws and Member Code of Conduct

Overview

Arkansas LEGO® Users Group (ArkLUG) is a Recognized LEGO Users Group (RLUG) for adult and teen LEGO enthusiasts in Arkansas and surrounding areas. Our members come from Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas and share a passion for LEGO creativity and interest in LEGO brand products. We welcome builders and enthusiasts of all skill levels and interests, from building sets and modifying them, to free building, mosaics, pop culture, trains, city layouts, space, castle, collecting and everything in between!

Our primary goal is to foster creativity and interest in LEGO through collaboration and displays for regional public events and LEGO fan conventions all over the country. We have monthly regional meetings where members learn from each other, show off fun projects, and sometimes even have opportunities to buy, sell, or trade LEGO sets and pieces from our personal collections. Throughout the year, we organize LEGO themed fun days, group purchasing opportunities, and large shows, but most of all, we enjoy fellowship, fun, and LEGO!

Club Leadership 2025

Rob Hendrix – Ambassador Richard Glatter – Club President TBD - Marketing Director Brad Elrod – Social Media Director

Chapter Leadership 2025

Richard Glatter & Aaron Kimbrell – Central Arkansas (CAR) Chapter Lead Caleb & Kari Harris – Northeast Arkansas (NEA) Chapter Lead Jason Hall – Northwest Arkansas (NWA) Chapter Lead Nathan Mahaffey & Robert Immell – Oklahoma City Oklahoma (OKC) Chapter Lead

How to apply for Membership

ArkLUG membership is open to any AFOL (Adult Fan of LEGO)(18+), and TFOL (Teen Fan of LEGO)(13+)

with parent/guardian accompaniment at all ArkLUG events).

Fill out the member information form found here:

https://forms.gle/mKR8j7yuGvzkWu4fA

And join our Discord server here:

https://discord.gg/NsW8zVWBtX

Membership Requirements

Members must attend at least 1 ArkLUG member meeting and participate in at least 1 ArkLUG public event in a calendar year to maintain membership.

Member Dues

Mandatory \$25 per calendar year per adult member must be paid no later than **April 1** and can be paid via PayPal (admin@arklug.org [friends and family please]) or cash/check to any leader.

In 2026, dues will be raised to \$50 per calendar year per adult member.

Code of Conduct

Members shall always be professional and respectful to others. Do not display or engage in controversial subject matter and keep your builds kid friendly. Failure to comply with these requests could result in your MOC or your removal from the event or expulsion from ArkLUG. All members shall abide by The LEGO Company (TLC) guidelines as outlined in the LEGO Brand Values and LEGO Fairplay.

ArkLUG Chapters

ArkLUG maintains chapters in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Each chapter has either quarterly or monthly meetings and provides public displays and events in their region. Chapters are located in Central Arkansas (Conway), Northwest Arkansas (Rogers), Northeast Arkansas (Jonesboro) and Central Oklahoma (OKC). Chapters allow us to better organize local participation, but members can participate in any event in any chapter. If you are interested in starting a chapter in your area, reach out to us via email at admin@arklug.org

Chapter Requirements

ArkLUG chapters must maintain at least 10 active local members per calendar year in your area. Chapters must have a designated Chapter Lead.

Chapter Meeting Requirements

Chapters are required to provide no less than 4 in-person meetings with at least 10 members per calendar year. Participating members for meetings can be from any chapter. Members can connect to chapter meetings virtually if that service is available, but virtual

attendance will not count towards member perks. Chapter leads have the ultimate say on whether virtual options will be available for any chapter meeting.

Chapter Public Event Requirements

Chapters are required to provide a LEGO related public display for at least 2 local events in a calendar year with the assistance of no less than 10 members. Participating members for events can be from any chapter. Event examples could be (but not limited to) Library events, comic conventions, train shows, brick fan conventions, or even your own event.

Participation in Events

Participating in events can be attained in multiple ways. Participation will be up to the Event Leader(see below). Expectations for participation are interacting with the public, bringing builds to shows. Sets and MOCs are acceptable, but some shows are more MOC focused. For multi-day events, full participation isn't required for the entire duration. However, attending for only a few hours doesn't count as participation. To qualify, involvement must cover the majority of the day or include significant assistance with setup or teardown, such as setting up or tearing down tables or helping with loading and unloading member displays.

Cornerstone Events

Cornerstone events are defined ahead of the event and at the discretion of the ArkLUG board. Cornerstone events are events that Arklug historically has put on large displays and requires a large member presence. New events can be considered as a cornerstone event, but will be decided on by the board. As of February 1 2025 the cornerstone events for 2025 are: Conway Train and Hobby Show, Oklahoma City Train show(November) and SpaCon. Additional events may be added if opportunities arise and will be publicized by the ArkLUG Board and event lead as a cornerstone event.

Member Perks – LEGO Support

Maintaining RLUG status means the LEGO Company sends ArkLUG biannual support in the form of LEGO sets we use as giveaways and prizes that we distribute to active members. LEGO set support is available for AFOL and TFOL members in good standing.

Member Perks - LUGBulk

Maintaining RLUG status means that once per year we can order individual LEGO elements for discount rates through the LUGBulk program, usually in February of the next calendar year. This program is open to ArkLUG AFOL members in good standing. TFOL members are not allowed to participate in LUGBulk. We ask that you follow these two simple guidelines for eligibility:

To purchase LUGBulk:

Pay dues, participate in at least 2 public events and 1 chapter meeting in a calendar year

To help select the parts we purchase:

Pay dues, Participate in 3 total events, at least 1 event must be a cornerstone event, and 1 chapter meeting. Parts picks will be evenly distributed among all participants who qualify for selecting parts..

All members are automatically added for participation once they meet the above requirements. If you do not wish to participate in LUGBulk please let your chapter lead, or the ambassador know.

Member Perks – AFOL Appreciation Day

Once per quarter, LEGO Brand Retail stores offer a limited 15% discount for RLUG members. Your local Chapter Lead can give you information on dates and how to obtain the required AFOL icon on your LEGO digital VIP card.

ArkLUG board

The ArkLUG board consists of the club leadership team as well as all chapter leads. The board is responsible for creating and deciding club policy, as well as making sure the club functions and generates all reports and events necessary for continued recognition as a LEGO User Group.

Chapter Lead Requirements

All private and public event data for chapter events are required to be sent by the Chapter Lead to the ArkLUG Ambassador via Discord within 5 days after event. Chapter Leads are also required to send event photos, weblinks, and media mentions to the Social Media Director via Discord.

Chapter Leads duties include maintaining a roster of local members with contact details. planning and scheduling local meetings and events, working with the leadership team on support and LUGBulk distribution, being active in Discord leadership discussions, and much more.

Event Leader

The event leader is the person responsible for turning in attendance and the event report on the ArkLUG discord as defined in the Event Report section within 5 days. The event leader may be the chapter lead, but may also be another person defined before the event.

Chapter Perks

ArkLUG chapters will have access to up to \$250 as a discretionary fund for incidentals, pizza night, business cards, flyers, etc. These funds are ONLY to be used for club related business as a necessity to help maintain and grow your local chapter. Funds distribution is contingent on how many active paid members you have for that year by the April 1st deadline. The Ambassador along with the President have the ultimate say about funds distribution.