CORPORATIONS ACT 2001

CONSTITUTION

of

BROKEN HILL MUSICIANS CLUB LIMITED

ACN 001 034 359

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BROKEN HILL MUSICIANS CLUB LIMITED

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NAME

1. The name of the Company is Broken Hill Musicians Club Limited.

PRELIMINARY

- 2. The Company shall be a non-proprietary company.
- 3. The Company is established for the purposes set out in this Constitution.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 135(2) of the Act all replaceable rules referred to in the Act are hereby displaced or modified as provided in this Constitution.

DEFINITIONS

5. (a) In this Constitution unless there be something in the subject or context inconsistent therewith:

"<u>"Authority</u>" means the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority constituted under the Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007.

<u>"</u>The Act" means the Corporations Act<u>-2001 (Cth).</u> When any provision of the Act is referred to the reference is to that provision as modified by any law for the time being in force.

""The Board"" means the members for the time being of the Board of Directors of the Club constituted in accordance with this Constitution.

""By-Laws"" shall mean the By-laws made in accordance with this Constitution.

""The Club"" means Broken Hill Musicians Club Limited ACN 001 034 359.

""Club Notice Board"" means a board designated as such and located in a conspicuous place within the Club premises on which notices for the information of members are posted.

"Constitution" means this Constitution.

"Department" means the NSW Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade.

"Financial member". A member shall not be a financial member of the Club if:

- (i) the member's subscription or any part thereof has not been paid in accordance with Rule 36; or
- (ii) any money (other than a member's subscription) owing by that member to the Club has remained unpaid at the expiration of thirty 30 days from service on that member of a notice from the Club requiring payment thereof; and

in either case that member shall be and remain un-financial until the full amount owing is paid to the Club.

"Full member" means any person who is in one of the categories of membership referred to in Rule 18.

"Gaming Machines Act" means the Gaming Machines Act 2001 and any Regulation made under the Gaming Machines Act 2001. Any reference to a provision of the Gaming Machines Act includes a reference to the same or similar provision in any legislation replacing, amending or modifying the

Gaming Machines Act however that provision may be amended in that legislation.

"Liquor Act" means the Liquor Act 2007 and any Regulation made under the Liquor Act 2007. Any reference to a provision of the Liquor Act includes a reference to the same or similar provision in any legislation replacing, amending or modifying the Liquor Act however that provision may be amended in that legislation.

"Constitution" means this Constitution.

""Manager" of the Club means any person appointed under section 66 of the Liquor Act 2007 to manage a premises of the Club.

"Month" except where otherwise provided in this Constitution means calendar month.

""Nomination Period" means the period commencing on the day on which the person is nominated to stand for election as a Director or Secretary of the Club and ending 1 week before the person stands for the election.

<u>"</u>The Office "<u>"</u> means the registered office for the time being of the Club.

"Register of Members" means the register of members maintained pursuant to the Registered Clubs Act."Registered Clubs Accountability Code" means the code set out in Schedule 2 of the Registered Clubs Regulation 2015 pursuant to clause 41C of the Registered Clubs Act.

"**Registered Clubs Act**" means the Registered Clubs Act 1976 and any Regulation made under the Registered Clubs Act 1976. Any reference to a provision of the Registered Clubs Act includes a reference to the same or similar provision in any legislation replacing, amending or modifying the Registered Clubs Act however that provision may be amended in that legislation.

""Rules"" means the rules comprising this Constitution.

"<u>"</u>Secretary" includes Acting Secretary, Honorary Secretary, Acting Honorary Secretary, Secretary Manager and General Manager and Chief Executive Officer or any other title attributed to the person who is Secretary of the Club for the purpose of the Registered Clubs Act.

""Special Resolution" has the meaning assigned thereto by the Act.

"**Sub club**" means any sporting club, incorporated or otherwise, that pursuant to a resolution of the Board under Rule 56 is or has been established and is affiliated or becomes affiliated with the Club.

"Top Executive" means:

(i) The Secretary;

(ii) A Manager;

- (iii) any employee of the club who is nominated by the club as a Top Executive;
- (iv) any employee of the club (other than a person referred to in paragraphs (i)-(iii):
 - a. who is one of the 5 highest paid employees of the Club; and
 - b. whose remuneration package exceeds the high income threshold set by the Fair Work Commission under the Fair Work Act 2009 of the Commonwealth, and
 - c. who is involved in the general administration of the Club or with its liquor and gaming operations.
- (b) Financial member". A member shall not be a financial member of the Club if:
 - (i) the member's subscription or any part thereof has not been paid in accordance with Rule 36; or
 - (ii) any money (other than a member's subscription) owing by that member to the Club has remained unpaid at the expiration of thirty 30 days from service on that member of a notice from the Club requiring payment thereof; and

in either case that member shall be and remain un-financial until the full amount owing is paid to the Club.

(c)(b) Words importing the singular number also include the plural and vice versa and the masculine gender the feminine gender and vice versa.

OBJECTS

- 6. The objects of the Club are:
 - (a) To promote encouragement of the appreciation of music amongst its members.

- (b) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to apply for and obtain and hold a club licence under the Liquor Act and for the purposes of the Registered Clubs Act to appoint a manager or officer to act as the Secretary Manager and Chief Executive Officer of the Club.
- (c) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to obtain and hold any licence or permit necessary for the purposes of the Club.
- (d) To subscribe to become a member of and co-operate with any other Association whether incorporated or not whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of this Club.
- (e) To buy sell and deal in all kinds of apparatus and all kinds of provisions either liquid or solid required by persons frequenting the Club's property and premises.
- (f) To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any easements buildings or property real or personal which may be requisite for the purposes of or capable of being conveniently used in connection with any of the objects of the Club.
- (g) To raise money by entrance and other fees and subscriptions or in any other manner, and to grant any rights and privileges to subscribers.
- (h) To invest and deal with the moneys of the Club not immediately required upon such securities, and in such manner as may from time to time be determined, including power to invest on deposit in any bank.
- (i) To receive on deposit, borrow, raise and secure payment of money in such manner and on such terms and conditions as the Club or the Board thereof shall think fit, and in particular to give mortgages and liens over the property, real and personal of the Club, and to issue debentures and debenture stock perpetual or otherwise charged upon all or any of the Club's property, both present and future.
- (j) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, mortgage, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with any or part of the property or rights of the Club subject to the requirements of the Liquor Act and the Registered Clubs Act.
- (k) To construct, maintain and alter any buildings or works necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Club.
- (I) To enter into any arrangements or co-operate with any Club or Clubs, person or persons, for the purpose of promoting any of the objects of the Club, upon such terms and conditions as shall be agreed upon.
- (m) To lend money to such persons or companies and on such terms as may seem expedient and to carry on the business of guarantors and to guarantee or become liable for the payment of money or for the performance of any obligations and generally to transact all kinds of guarantee business and for that purpose to give securities over all or any part of the Club's business or undertaking or property both present and future.
- (n) To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of association institutions funds or trusts calculated to benefit employees or ex- employees of the Club or the dependents or connections of such persons and to grant pensions and allowances and to make payments towards insurance and to

subscribe or guarantee money for charitable and benevolent objects or for any exhibition or for any public general or useful object and to make donations to such person and in such cases as the Club may deem expedient.

- (o) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute, and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, debentures or other negotiable or transferable instruments.
- (p) To hire and employ and dismiss secretaries, clerks, managers, servants and workmen, and to pay to them and other persons in return for services rendered to the Club, salaries, wages, gratuities and pensions.
- (q) To sell or dispose of the undertaking of the Club or any part thereof for such considerations as the Club may think fit and in particular for shares debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Club.
- (r) To amalgamate or affiliate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Club.
- (s) To raise funds by all lawful means for the attainment of these objects.
- (t) To indemnify any person or person whether members of the Club or not who may incur or have incurred any personal liability for the benefit of the Club and for that purpose to give such person or persons mortgages charged or other securities over the whole or any part of the real or personal property present or future of the Club.
- (u) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of all or any of the above objects.

LIMITED LIABILITY

7. The liability of the members is limited.

MEMBERS GUARANTEE

- 8. (a) Each member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding ten dollars (\$10.00) if the Club is wound up:
 - (i) while he or she is a member of the Club; or
 - (ii) within one year of the date that he or she ceases to be a member.
 - (b) The contribution referred to in paragraph (a) of this Rule 8 shall be for the:
 - (i) payment of the debts and liabilities of the Club contracted before the member ceased to be a member; and
 - (ii) costs, charges and expenses of winding up.

APPLICATION OF PROPERTY ON DISSOLUTION

9. (a) If the Club is wound up or dissolved and after the satisfaction of all the Club's debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever remains, that property shall:

- (i) not be transferred, paid to or distributed among the members;
- (ii) be given or transferred to an institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Club and which prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property amongst its or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Club.
- (b) The institution or institutions referred to in paragraph (a)(ii) of this Rule 9 shall be determined by:
 - (i) the members of the Club in <u>a general meeting at or before the time of dissolution; or in default thereof</u>:
 - (ii) the Supreme Court of New South Wales.

PROPERTY AND INCOME OF THE CLUB

- 10. The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Club as set forth in this Constitution. No portion of the income or property of the Club shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend bonus or otherwise by way of profit to the members of the Club.
- 11. Subject to the provisions of Section 10(6) and Section 10(6A) of the Registered Clubs Act, a member of the Club, whether or not he or she is a director or a member of any committee of the Club shall not be entitled under the Constitution of the Club or otherwise to derive directly or indirectly any profit, benefit or advantage from the Club that is not offered equally to every <u>fullFull</u> member of the Club.
- 12. Subject to the provisions of Section 10(7) of the Registered Clubs Act, a person, other than the Club or its members, shall not be entitled under the Constitution of the Club or otherwise to derive directly or indirectly any profit, benefit or advantage from the grant to the Club of, or the fact that the Club has applied for, a club licence under the Liquor Act or from any added value that may accrue to the premises of the Club because of the grant to the Club of, or the fact that the Club has applied for, such a licence.
- 13. A director shall not hold or be appointed or elected to any office of the Club paid by salary or wages or any similar basis of remuneration.
- 14. Subject to Rule 15 nothing in this Constitution shall prevent the payment:
 - (a) in good faith of reasonable and proper remuneration to any employed officer or other employee of the Club;
 - (b) in good faith of reasonable and proper remuneration to any member of the Club in return for services actually rendered;
 - (c) of interest at a rate not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being charged by bankers in Sydney for overdrawn accounts on money lent;
 - (d) of reasonable and proper rent for premises demised or let by any member to the Club.
- 15. A director shall not receive from the Club remuneration or other benefit in money or monies worth except by way of:

- (a) honorarium in accordance with Section 10(6)(b) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976;
- (b) repayment of out of pocket expenses in accordance with Section 10(6)(d) of the Registered Clubs Act <u>1976</u>;
- (c) interest at the rate referred to in Rule 14(c) above on any money lent by the directordirectors of the Club;
- (d) a benefit provided in accordance with Section 10(6A) of the Registered Clubs Act 1976;
- (e) rent as referred to and in accordance with Rule 14(d).

LIQUOR & AND GAMING

- 16. (a) Liquor shall not be sold, supplied or disposed of on the premises of the Club to any person other than a member except on the invitation and in the company of a member. This Rule 16(a) does not apply in respect of the sale, supply or disposal of liquor to any person at a function in respect of which an authority is granted to the Club under Section 23(1) of the Registered Clubs Act.
 - (b) Liquor shall not be sold, supplied or disposed of on the premises of the Club to any person under the age of <u>eighteen (18)</u> years.
 - (c) A person under the age of <u>eighteen (18)</u> years shall not use or operate the gaming facilities of the Club.
 - (d) The Secretary or any employee, director or member of any committee of the Club shall not be entitled under this Constitution or otherwise to receive directly or indirectly any payment calculated by reference to the quantity of liquor purchased, supplied, sold or disposed of by the Club or the receipts of the Club for any liquor supplied or disposed of by the Club.
 - (e) Subject to subsection 2(b) of Section 73 of the Gaming Machines Act, the Club shall not share any receipts arising from the operation of an approved gaming machine kept by the Club and shall not make any payment or part payment by way of commission or an allowance from or on any such receipts.
 - (f) Subject to subsection 2 of Section 74 of the Gaming Machines Act, the Club shall not grant any interest in an approved gaming machine kept by the Club to any other person.

MEMBERSHIP

- 17. (a) The number of members of the Club shall not exceed the maximum permissible under the Registered Clubs Act.
 - (b) No person under the age of <u>eighteen (18)</u> years shall be admitted as a member of the Club.
- 18. The full membership of the Club shall be divided into the following categories:
 - (a) Voting members;

- (b) Life members.
- 19. Persons who are not <u>fullFull</u> members may, in accordance with this Constitution, be admitted to the Club as:
 - (a) Provisional Members;
 - (b) Honorary Members;
 - (c) Temporary Members.
- 20. The number of <u>fullFull</u> members having the right to vote in the election of the Board shall at all times exceed the number of <u>fullFull</u> members who do not have the right to vote in the election of the Board.

ELIGIBILITY AND RIGHTS OF CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

VOTING MEMBERS

- 21. (a) Voting members shall be persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and are elected to Voting membership of the Club.
 - (b) Voting members shall pay such entrance fee (if any) and annual subscription as the Board may determine from time to time.
 - (c) Voting members are entitled to:
 - (i) all the social privileges and advantages of the Club;
 - (ii) attend and vote at Annual General Meetings and general meetings of the Club;
 - (iii) nominate for and be elected to hold office on the Board;
 - (iv) vote in the election of the Board;
 - (v) vote on any special resolution to amend this Constitution;
 - (vi) propose, second, or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
 - (vii) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership;
 - (viii) introduce guests to the Club.

LIFE MEMBERS

- 22. (a) A Life member shall be any member who has rendered outstanding service to the Club and has been granted Life membership of the Club in accordance with this Rule 22.
 - (b) Life membership may only be conferred at a general meeting of the Club (including an Annual General Meeting).
 - (c) Candidates for Life membership shall be nominated by one Voting member or Life member and seconded by another Voting member or Life member.

- (d) If such nomination is approved by the Board, the nomination shall be referred to the next general meeting of the Club and not less than 21 days written notice of the nomination shall be given to all members eligible to vote at that meeting.
- (e) If such nomination is approved by a three-quarters majority of the members present and voting at that meeting the person nominated shall thereby be a Life member of the Club.
- (f) Every Life member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Voting member.
- (g) A Life member is relieved from the payment of any annual subscription.

TRANSFER BETWEEN CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

- 23. (a) The Board shall have the power on the application of any member transfer that member to another category of membership if that member has the qualifications for that other category of membership.
 - (b) Any application for transfer of membership pursuant to this Rule 23 together with any additional subscription shall be deposited at the office and the Secretary shall cause the name and address of the applicant to be exhibited on the Club Notice Board for a continuous period of not less than one week before the transfer of the applicant to another class of membership of the Club.
 - (c) A member will not be entitled to any refund of membership fees or any part thereof if their application for transfer is approved.
 - (d) Upon a member being transferred to another class of membership of the Club, the Secretary shall cause a notice of such transfer to be promptly forwarded or posted to such member. If a member fails to be transferred, the Secretary shall cause any additional subscription paid by that member to be returned to such member.

PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

- 24. A person in respect of whom:
 - (a) a nomination form for membership duly completed in accordance with this Constitution has been given to the Club; and
 - (b) who has paid to the Club the joining fee (if any) and the subscription appropriate to the class of membership referred to in the nomination form,

may be granted Provisional membership of the Club while awaiting the decision of the Board in relation to that person's person's application for membership of the Club.

- 25. Should a person who is admitted as a Provisional member not be elected to membership of the Club within six weeks from the date of the nomination form being given to the Secretary or should that person'sperson's application for membership be refused (whichever is the sooner) that person shall cease to be a Provisional member of the Club and the entrance fee (if any) and subscription submitted with the nomination shall be forthwith returned to that person.
- 26. (a) Provisional members shall be entitled to:

- (i) the social facilities and amenities of the Club as the Board may determine from time to time; and
- (ii) introduce guests into the Club.
- (b) Provisional members shall not be entitled to:
 - (i) attend and vote at Annual General Meetings and general meetings of the Club; or
 - (ii) nominate for and be elected to hold office on the Board;
 - (iii) vote in the election of the Board;
 - (iv) vote on any special resolution to amend this Constitution;
 - (v) propose, second, or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
 - (vi) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership.
- 26A The Secretary or senior employee then on duty may terminate the membership of any Provisional member at any time without notice and without having to provide any reason. If the membership of a Provisional member is terminated in accordance with this Rule, the Club must return any joining fee and annual subscription (if any) paid by the Provisional member when applying for membership of the Club.

HONORARY MEMBERS

- 27. (a) The following persons may be made Honorary members of the Club in accordance with procedures established by the Board from time to time:
 - (i) the patron or patrons for the time being of the Club; or
 - (ii) any prominent citizen or local dignitary visiting the Club.
 - (b) Honorary members shall only be entitled to the social facilities and amenities of the Club as the Board may determine from time to time.
 - (c) Honorary members shall not be entitled to attend or vote at any meeting of the Club, nominate for or be elected to the Board or any office in the Club or participate in the management, business and affairs of the Club in any way.
 - (d) When Honorary membership is conferred on any person the following particulars shall be entered in the <u>Club'sClub's</u> Register of Honorary Members:
 - (i) the name in full or the surname and initials of the Honorary Member;
 - (ii) the residential address of the Honorary Member;
 - (iii) the date on which Honorary membership is conferred;
 - (iv) the date on which Honorary membership is to cease.

TEMPORARY MEMBERS

- 28. The following persons in accordance with procedures established by the Board may be made Temporary members of the Club:
 - (a) Any person whose permanent place of residence in New South Wales is not less than a distance of 5 kilometerskilometres radius from the Club or such other greater distance as may be determined from time to time by the Board by Bylaw pursuant to this Constitution.
 - (b) A <u>fullFull</u> member (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) of another club which is registered under the Registered Clubs Act and which has objects similar to those of the Club.
 - (c) A <u>fullFull</u> member (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) of any registered club who, at the invitation of the Board of the Club, attends on any day at the premises of the Club for the purpose of participating in an organised sport or competition to be conducted by the Club on that day from the time on that day when he or she so attends the premises of the Club until the end of that day.
 - (d) Any interstate or overseas visitor.
 - (e) Any person who because of an exception prescribed or provided for by the Registered Clubs Act from time to time may be a temporary member.
- 29. (a) Temporary members shall not be required to pay an entrance fee or annual subscription.
 - (b) Temporary members shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Club, nominate for or be elected to the Board or any office in the Club or participate in the management, business and affairs of the Club in any way.
 - (c) Temporary members shall be entitled to the social facilities and amenities of the Club as the Board may determine from time to time but shall not be permitted to introduce guests into the Club other than a minor in accordance with Rule 46.
 - (d) The Secretary or senior employee then on duty may terminate the membership of any Temporary member at any time without notice and without having to provide any reason therefore.
 - (e) No person under the age of <u>eighteen (18)</u> years may be admitted as a temporary member of the Club unless that person is a Junior member of another registered club and satisfies the requirements of Rule <u>2828(c)28(c)</u>.
 - (f) When a Temporary member (other than a Temporary member admitted pursuant to Rule 28(c) first enters the Club premises on any day the following particulars shall be entered in the <u>Club'sClub's</u> Register of Temporary Members:
 - (i) the name in full or the surname and initials of the Temporary member;
 - (ii) the residential address of the Temporary member;
 - (iii) the date on which Temporary membership is granted;
 - (iv) the signature of the Temporary member.

(g) A person may be admitted to Temporary membership for a period of up to, but not exceeding seven (7) consecutive days (or such other longer period as approved by the relevant regulatory body)- in writing not exceeding thirty (30) consecutive days). A person admitted to Temporary membership under this Rule 29 shall only be required to enter their relevant details in the register of Temporary members referred to in Rule 29(f) on the first day that they enter the Club's premises during that period.

VOTES OF MEMBERS

- 30. (a) Only Life members and financial Voting members shall be entitled to attend and vote at any meeting of the Club.
 - (b) Subject to Rule <u>94122</u>, every member when eligible to vote shall be entitled to vote both on a show of hands and on the taking of a poll and shall have one vote, or any equivalent indication determined by the Board if a member is attending any meeting by electronic means.
 - (c) No member of the Club who is also an employee of the Club shall be eligible to vote at any meeting of the Club.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS

- 31. (a) A person shall not be admitted as a <u>fullFull</u> member of the Club unless that person is elected to membership by the Board of the Club, or by a duly appointed election committee of the Club.
 - (b) The names of the members present and voting at that Board or election committee meeting shall be recorded by the Secretary of the Club.
 - (c) The Board shall hold a ballot for the election of members.
 - (d) The Board or election committee may reject any application for membership without assigning any reason for such rejection.
- 32. (a) Every application for membership of the Club shall be in writing and shall be in such form as the Board of the Club may from time to time prescribe and shall contain the following particulars:
 - (i) the full name of the applicant;
 - (ii) the residential address of the applicant;
 - (iii) the date of birth and the age of the applicant;
 - (iv) the occupation of the applicant;
 - (v)(iv) a statement to the effect that the applicant agrees to be bound by the Constitution and By-lawsLaws of the Club;
 - (vi)(v) the signature of the applicant;
 - (vii)(vi) such other particulars as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time.
 - (b) Every form of application for membership shall be presented by the applicant, in person, to an authorised officer of the Club together with:

- (i) the entrance fee (if any) and the appropriate annual subscription;
- (ii) photo identification such as (without limitation) a current driver's licence or a current passport held by that applicant.
- (c) The authorised officer of the Club to whom the application for membership is presented shall compare the particulars of the applicant as appearing on the application with the particulars and identity of that person as appearing in the photo identification and shall compare the photo with the appearance of the applicant. If the authorised officer is satisfied that the appearance of the applicant and the particulars of the applicant in the application and in the form of identification correspond, the authorised officer shall sign the application form and shall cause the application to be sent to the Secretary.
- (d) A person whose application has been signed by an authorised officer of the Club in accordance with paragraph (c) of this Rule 32 and who has paid the Club the entrance fee (if any) and the first annual subscription for the class of membership applied for shall thereby become a Provisional member.
- (e) The full name and address of each applicant for membership shall be placed on the Club Notice Board and shall remain so posted for not less than seven (7) days.
- (f) An interval of at least fourteen (14) days shall elapse between the deposit at the office of the nomination form of a person for election and the election of that person to membership of the Club.
- 33. (a) Upon a person being elected as a member of the Club the Secretary shall cause a notice of such election to be promptly forwarded or posted to such person. If a person fails to be elected to membership the Secretary shall cause the entrance fee and first annual subscription to be forwarded or posted to such person.
 - (b) A copy of the Constitution of the Club shall be supplied to a member onby request being made to the Secretary of the Club, and if demanded by the Secretary from that the member, on payment of any fee that may be prescribed by the Act.

ENTRANCE FEES, ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND LEVIES

- 34. Annual subscriptions and other payments payable by members of the Club shall be such as the Board may from time to time prescribe provided that the annual subscription shall be not less than \$2.00 (excluding Goods & Services Tax) or such other minimum subscription provided from time to time by the Registered Clubs Actdetermine.
- 35. Any candidate elected during the last six (6) months of the financial year of the Club to any class of membership shall pay such proportion of the annual subscription as may be determined by the Board from time to time. provided that it is not less than\$2.00 (excluding Goods & Services Tax) or such other minimum prescribed under the Registered Clubs Act.
- 35A. The annual subscription referred to in Rule 34 may be paid by instalments half yearly or quarterly as the Board may determine and the Board may also determine that annual subscriptions can be payable for more than one (1) year in advance in which case the

Board may allow a discount provided that the total amount of the subscription as discounted and averaged over the period of payment is not less than the amount referred to in Rule 34 on an annual basis.

- 36. (a) All subscriptions shall be due and payable on a date determined by the Board from time to time.
 - (b) Any person who has not paid his or her subscription within 30 days of the due date shall cease to be entitled to the privileges of membership of the Club and by resolution of the Board may be removed from membership of the Club and the provisions of Rule 39 shall not apply to such resolution.
 - (c) Each year the Secretary shall cause reasonable notice to be given in writing to each member of the due date for payment of the subscription and of the provisions of paragraph (b) of this Rule 36.
 - (d) Any person who has been removed from membership of the Club pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Rule 36 may re-apply for membership in accordance with this Constitution.

REGISTERS OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

- 37. The Club shall keep the following registers:
 - (a) A register of persons who are <u>fullFull</u> members. This register shall set forth in respect of each of those members:
 - (i) the name in full

(ii) the occupation

(iii)(ii) the address

(iv)(iii) the date of being first elected to membership of the Club

- (v)(iv) if the member is required to pay a membership fee the date on which that member last paid the annual fee for membership of the Club (excluding Life members).
- (b) A register of persons who are Honorary members which shall be kept in accordance with Section 31(1)(b) of the Registered Clubs Act.
- (c) A register of persons who are Temporary members other than Temporary members referred to in Rule 28(c) which shall be kept in accordance with Section 31(1)(d) of the Registered Clubs Act.
- (d) A register of persons of or over the age of <u>eighteen (18)</u> years who enter the premises of the Club as guests of members which shall be kept in accordance with Section 31(1)(c) of the Registered Clubs Act. <u>This register shall set forth in respect of each of those guests:</u>

(i) the name in full or the surname and initials of their given names; and

(ii) their address.

ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS

38. Every member must advise the Secretary of any change to their address as recorded in the register<u>Register</u> of members<u>Members</u> and their contact details (including their email address (if any) and telephone number) within seven (7) days of the change to their address and/or contact details.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

- 39. Subject to Rule 40, the Board shall have power to reprimand, suspend, expel or accept the resignation of any member, if that member:
 - (a) wilfully refuses or neglects to comply with any of the provisions of this Constitution or any By-Law; or
 - (b) is, in the reasonable opinion of the Board;
 - (i) guilty of any conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Club; or
 - (ii) guilty of conduct which is unbecoming of a member; or
 - (iii) guilty of conduct which shall render the member unfit for membership.
- 40. (a) A member shall be notified of:
 - (i) any charge against the member pursuant to Rule 39; and
 - (ii) the date, time and place of the hearing of the charge.
 - (b) The member charged shall be notified of the matters in paragraph (a) of this Rule 40 by notice in writing by a prepaid letter posted to the <u>member'smember's</u> last known address or by electronic means as prescribed in Rule 134(b) at least fourteen (14) clear days before the meeting of the Board at which a charge is to be heard.
 - (c) The member charged shall be entitled to attend the hearing for the purpose of answering the charge and shall also be entitled to submit to the meeting written representations for the purpose of answering the charge.
 - (d) If the member fails to attend such meeting, the charge may be heard and dealt with and the Board may decide on the evidence before it, the <u>member'smember's</u> absence notwithstanding, but having regard to any representations which may have been made to it in writing by the member charged.
 - (e) After the Board has considered the evidence put before it, the Board must come to a decision as to whether the member is guilty or not of the charge.
 - (f) When the Board has determined the issue of guilt, if the member charged is at the meeting, the Board must inform the member whether or not the member has been found guilty.
 - (g) If the member charged has been found guilty and is at the meeting, the member must be given a further opportunity at the meeting to address the Board in relation to the appropriate penalty for the charge of which the member has been found guilty.

- (h) No motion by the Board to reprimand, suspend or expel a member shall be deemed to be passed unless a majority of the directors present in person vote in favour of such motion.
- (i) Any decision of the Board on such hearing shall be final and the Board shall not be required to assign any reason for its decision.
- 41. If a notice of charge is issued to a member pursuant to Rule 40(a), the Board shall have power by resolution to suspend that member from all rights and privileges as a member of the Club until the charge is heard and determined or for five (5) weeks whichever is the sooner. Such suspension shall be promptly notified in writing to the member concerned.
- 42. Any member suspended pursuant to Rules 39, 40 and 41 shall during the period of such suspension not be entitled to:
 - (a) attend at the premises of the Club for any purpose without the permission of the Board; or
 - (b) participate in any of the social or sporting activities of the Club or any subSub club;
 - (c) attend or vote at any meeting of the Club or any subSub club;
 - (d) nominate or be elected or appointed to the Board or any committee of a subSub club;
 - (e) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club or any subSub club;
 - (f) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership.

REMOVAL OF PERSONS FROM THE PREMISES OF THE CLUB

- 43. (a) In accordance with Section 77 of the Liquor Act, the Secretary or subject to paragraph (eg) of this Rule 43 an employee of the Club may refuse to admit to the Club and may turn out, or cause to be turned out, of the premises of the Club any person including any member:
 - (i) who is then<u>at the time</u> intoxicated, violent, quarrelsome or disorderly; or
 - (ii) who, for the purposes of prostitution, engages or uses any part of the premises of the Club;
 - (iii) whose presence on the premises of the Club renders the Club or the Secretary <u>or a Manager</u> liable to a penalty under the Registered Clubs Act or the Liquor Act;
 - (iv) who hawks, peddles or sells any goods on the premises of the Club;
 - (v) who, within the meaning of the *Smoke-free Environment Act*, smokes while on any part of the premises that is <u>a</u> smoke-free <u>area</u>.
 - (vi) who uses, or has in his or her possession, while on the premises of the Club any substance that the Secretary <u>or a Manager</u> suspects of being a prohibited drug or prohibited plant.

- (vii) whom the Club, under the conditions of its club licence, or by law, or a term of a liquor accord, is authorised or required to refuse access to the Club.
- (b) If pursuant to paragraph (c) of this Rule 43 a person (including a member) has been refused admission to, or has been turned out of, the premises of the Club, the Secretary of the Club, <u>a Manager</u> or (subject to paragraph (c) of this Rule 43) an employee of the Club, may at any subsequent time, refuse to admit that person into the premises of the Club or may turn the person out, or cause the person to be turned out of the premises of the Club.
- (c) Without limiting Rule 43(b), if a person has been refused admission to or turned out of the Club in accordance with Rule 43(a)(i), the person must not re-enter or attempt to re-enter the Club within twenty-four (24) hours of being refused admission or being turned out.
- (d) A Club employee may use a reasonable degree of force as may be necessary to turn a person out of the premises.
- (d)(e) Without limiting Rule 43(b), if a person has been refused admission to or turned out of the Club in accordance with Rule 43(a)(i), the person must not, without reasonable excuse:
 - (i) remain in the vicinity of the Club; (means any place less than 50 metres from any point on the boundary of the premises); or
 - (ii) re-enter the vicinity of the Club within six (6) hours of being refused admission or being turned out.
- (f) A person has a reasonable excuse for remaining in, or re-entering, the vicinity of the Club if:
 - (i) the person reasonably fears for his or her safety if he or she does not remain in, or re-enter, the vicinity of the Club; or
 - (ii) the person needs to remain in, or re-enter, the vicinity of the Club in order to obtain transport; or
 - (iii) the person resides in the vicinity of the Club.
- (e)(g) Without limiting the provisions of Section 77 of the Liquor Act the employees who under this Constitution are entitled to exercise the powers set out in this Rule <u>43</u> shall be:
 - (i) in the absence of the Secretary from the premises of the Club the senior employee then on duty; or
 - (ii) any employee authorised by the Secretary to exercise such power.

RESIGNATION AND CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

44. (a) A member may at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary resign from his or her membership of the Club and such resignation shall take effect from the date on which it is received by the Secretary.

(b) Any member who has resigned pursuant to this Rule 44 will not be entitled to any refund of membership fees or any part thereof unless the Board considers that there are circumstances warranting an ex gratia payment of the unexpired portion of his or her membership fees from the date of resignation.

<u>GUESTS</u>

- 45. (a) All members except Honorary members shall have the privilege of introducing guests to the Club. However, a Temporary member may only introduce a guest in accordance with Rule 46.
 - (b) Unless the guest is a minor, on each day a member first brings a guest into the Club that member shall enter in the Register of Guests the name and address of the guest and that member shall countersign that entry.
 - (c) No member shall introduce guests more frequently or in greater number than may for the time being be provided by By-<u>lawLaw</u> nor shall a member introduce any person as a guest who is then suspended or who has been expelled from the Club pursuant to Rule 41 or Rule 42 or who has been refused admission to or turned out of the Club pursuant to Rule 43.
 - (d) Members shall be responsible for the conduct of any guests they may introduce to the Club.
 - (e) The Board shall have power to make By-<u>lawsLaws</u> from time to time not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Registered Clubs Act regulating the terms and conditions on which guests may be admitted to the Club.
 - (f) No guest shall be supplied with liquor on the premises of the Club except on the invitation of and in the company of a member.
 - (g) A guest shall at all times remain in the reasonable company of the member who countersigned the entry in the Register of Guests in respect of that guest.
 - (h) A guest shall not remain on the premises of the Club any longer than the member who countersigned the entry in the Register of Guests in respect of that guest.
 - (i) The Secretary or senior employee then on duty may refuse a guest of a member admission to the Club or require a guest of a member to leave the premises of the Club (or any part thereof) without giving any reason.
- 46. A Temporary member may bring into the Club premises as the guest of that Temporary member a minor:
 - (a) who at all times while on the Club premises remains in the company and immediate presence of that Temporary member;
 - (b) who does not remain on the Club premises any longer than that Temporary member;
 - (c) in relation to whom the member is a responsible adult.
- 47. For the purposes of Rule 46(c) "responsible adult", in relation to a minor, means an adult who is:

- (a) a parent, step-parent or guardian of the minor;
- (b) the minor's spouse or de facto partner; or
- (c) for the time being standing in as the parent of the minor.

THE BOARD

- 48. Subject to Rule <u>51</u>, the Board shall consist of seven (7) Directors being a President, a Vice President, a Deputy Vice President and four (4) ordinary Directors.
- <u>49.</u> <u>48A.</u> The Directors shall be elected in accordance with Rule <u>5154</u> and shall hold office in accordance with the Triennial Rule set out in Schedule 4 of the Registered Clubs Act which is repeated in the Schedule below.

Definitions

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In this Schedule:

"general meeting" means a meeting of the <u>members</u> of the club at which <u>members</u> of the governing body are to be elected.

<u>"</u>"triennial rule" means the rule of the club that provides for the election of <u>members</u> of the governing body in accordance with this Schedule.

""year"" means the period between successive general meetings.

- First general meeting under triennial rule
 - (1) The <u>members</u> elected to the governing body at the first general meeting at which the triennial rule applies shall be divided into 3 groups.
 - (2) The groups:
 - (a) shall be determined by drawing lots, and
 - (b) shall be as nearly as practicable equal in number, and
 - (c) shall be designated as group 1, group 2 and group 3.
 - (3) Unless otherwise disqualified, the <u>members</u> of the governing body:
 - (a) in group 1 shall hold office for 1 year, and
 - (b) in group 2 shall hold office for 2 years, and
 - (c) in group 3 shall hold office for 3 years.
- 4 Subsequent general meetings

At each general meeting held while the triennial rule is in force (other than the first such meeting) the number of the <u>members</u> required to fill vacancies on the governing body shall be elected and shall, unless otherwise disqualified, hold office for 3 years.

5 Casual vacancies

- (1) A person who fills a casual vacancy in the office of a <u>member</u> of the governing body elected in accordance with this Schedule shall, unless otherwise disqualified, hold office until the next succeeding general meeting.
- (2) The vacancy caused at a general meeting by a person ceasing to hold office under subclause (1) shall be filled by election at the general meeting and the person elected shall, unless otherwise disqualified, hold office for the residue

of the term of office of the person who caused the casual vacancy initially filled by the person who ceased to hold office at the general meeting.

6 Re-election

A person whose term of office as a <u>member</u> of the governing body under the triennial rule expires is not for that reason ineligible for election for a further term.

7 Revocation of triennial rule

- (1) If the triennial rule is revoked:
 - (a) at a general meeting-all the <u>members</u> of the governing body cease to hold office, or
 - (b) at a meeting other than a general meeting-all the <u>members</u> of the governing body cease to hold office at the next succeeding general meeting,

and an election shall be held at the meeting to elect the <u>members</u> of the governing body.

- (2) The triennial rule cannot be revoked by a club if the rule is taken to apply to the club pursuant to a regulation made for the purposes of section 30 (1) (a1).
- 49.50. Subject to Rule 5052, only Life members and the financial Voting members of at least twelve (12) months standing shall be entitled to stand for and be elected or appointed to the Board.
- 51. 49A. (a)—___Notwithstanding any other Rule in this Constitution and pursuant to section 30(1)(bi) of the Registered Clubs Act the Board of the Club may include at any one time two (2) additional persons who are Voting members of the Club who are appointed as Directors by the Board in accordance with the Regulations under the Registered Clubs Act and in accordance with those Regulations those appointments can be for a term of no more than three (3) years and the persons will not be eligible for re-appointment at the end of their term.
 - (b) Rule <u>4950</u> and Rule <u>50A53</u>(a) shall not apply to a person approved by the Board pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Rule <u>49A.51</u>.
- 50.52. A member who is an employee or who is currently under suspension pursuant to Rule 39 shall not be eligible to stand for or be elected to the Board.

ELIGIBILITY TO BE A DIRECTOR

53. <u>50A.</u> A member is not eligible for election or appointment as a Director if that member:

- (a) has not been a Life member or a financial Voting member of the Club for at least twelve (12) consecutive months calculated from the date that the member is to be elected or appointed to office as a Director.
- (b) has within the 10 years immediately preceding the date that the member is to be elected or appointed to office as a Director been convicted of any criminal

offence for which the maximum penalty is, or includes, a term of imprisonment for not less than two years;

- (c) has been found guilty of any disciplinary charge under this Constitution and suspended for a period of six (6) months or more in the three (3) years immediately preceding the date that the member is to be elected or appointed to office as a Director;
- (d) has, prior to nominating for election or being appointed as a Director, failed to attend a training video for Directors provided by the Club-, or
- (e) has, prior to nominating for election, failed to obtain a Director Identification Number (DID) as required by the Act.

ELECTION OF BOARD

51.54. The election of Directors shall be conducted in the following manner:

- (a) Notice calling for nominations for election of Directors of the date and time and the last date for receiving nominations for the office of Director ("close of nominations") shall be prominently posted on the Club noticeboard at least twenty eight (28) days prior to the date of each annual general meeting and shall remain on the Club noticeboard until the date of the annual general meeting;
- (b) nominations shall close on that day that is the twenty first (21st) day prior to the date fixed for the annual general meeting;
- (c) nominations for election as a Director shall be made in writing and signed by two Voting members or Life members and by the nominee who shall thereby signify his or her consent to the nomination;
- (d) with the nomination the nominee shall:
 - (i) ______submit a statutory declaration in such form as may be approved by the Board from time to time addressing the eligibility requirements to be a director under this Constitution; and
 - (ii) include the nominees Director Identification Number (DID) as required by the Act.
- (e) the Secretary shall post the name of each candidate and his or her proposers on the Club noticeboard immediately after the close of nominations and those names shall remain on the Club noticeboard until the Annual General Meeting;
- (f) if the full number of candidates for the positions on the Board to be filled is not nominated then those candidates who are nominated shall be declared elected and additional nominations for the remaining positions may with the consent of the nominee or nominees be made at the annual general meeting;
- (g) if there be a requisite number nominated for the various positions to be filled then those candidates shall be declared elected;
- (h) if there be more nominations than the number of positions to be filled an election by secret ballot shall take place in respect of those positions;
- (i) in the event that a ballot is to be conducted the Board shall appoint a Returning

Officer and at least two (2) scrutineers to take charge of the ballot;

- (j) a person who is a candidate or a proposer or seconder for a candidate shall not be appointed as the Returning Officer or a scrutineer;
- (k) the Returning Officer shall supervise the issue of ballot papers, the safe custody of the ballot papers, the examination of ballot papers, and the counting of votes. The Returning Officer shall report the results of the ballot to the Annual General Meeting. The order in which names appear on the ballot appear shall be determined by lot;
- (I) The ballot will be conducted in the premises of the Club over the five (5) days immediately preceding the day of the Annual General Meeting between such times on those days as determined by the Board with the object of giving members a reasonable opportunity to attend the premises of the Club to cast a vote in the ballot;
- (m) If permitted by law and the Board so determines, a postal or electronic ballot shall be conducted under procedures determined by the Board from time to time.
- (m)(n) members shall record their vote in such manner as may be prescribed by the Board by By-law from time to time. Failure to record a vote in the prescribed manner shall render the vote invalid. The decision of the Returning Officer as to the formality or informality on any vote shall be final;
- (n)(o) in the event of an equality of votes the Returning Officer shall draw lots between the candidates receiving the same number of votes and the candidate who is drawn first shall be declared elected;
- (o)(p) the Board has power to make by By-laws regulating all matters in connection with the election of the Board that are not inconsistent with this Rule 54<u>54</u>.
- 55. 51A. Immediately following each Annual General Meeting the directors then holding office shall elect from amongst their number a President, Vice President and Deputy Vice President.

ELECTIONEERING

- 56. No member of the Club shall issue or distribute within the premises or the surrounding precincts of the Club premises any written material advocating either for or against the election of any candidate or candidates for the Board of the Club.
- 57. Any breach of Rule 56 shall be deemed to be conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Club for the purposes of Rule 39.

POWERS OF THE BOARD

52.58. The Board shall be responsible for the strategic direction and the policies and overall management of the Club but may delegate the day to day management and operations of the Club to the Secretary who will be responsible to the Board for the day to day management and operations.

GENERAL POWERS

53.59. The Board may exercise its powers and do all such acts and things as the Club is by this Constitution or otherwise authorised to exercise and do and which are not hereby or by Statute directed or required to be exercised or done by the Club in general meeting but subject nevertheless to the provisions of the Act and the Registered Clubs Act and of this Constitution and to any amendments to this Constitution provided that no such amendment shall invalidate any prior act of the Board which would have been valid if such amendment had not been made.

SPECIFIC POWERS

- 54.<u>60.</u> Without derogating from the general powers conferred by Rule <u>5359</u>, the Board shall have power from time to time:
 - (a) To make, alter and repeal By-Laws pursuant to Rule <u>5763</u>.
 - (b) To enforce or procure the enforcement of all By-Laws by suspension from enjoyment of the Club privileges or any of them or otherwise as the Board thinks fit.
 - (c) To purchase or otherwise acquire for the Club any property rights or privileges which the Club is authorised to acquire at such price and generally on such terms and conditions as it shall think fit.
 - (d) To secure the fulfillment of any contract or engagement entered into by the Club by mortgaging or charging all or any of the property of the Club as may be thought fit.
 - (e) To institute, conduct, defend, compound or abandon any legal proceedings by or against the Club or its officers or otherwise concerning the affairs of the Club and also to compound or allow time for payment and satisfaction of any debts due to any claims or demands by or against the Club and to refer any claims or demands by or against the Club to arbitration and to observe and perform the award.
 - (f) To determine who shall be entitled to sign or endorse on the <u>Club'sClub's</u> behalf contracts, receipts, acceptances, cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other documents or instruments.
 - (g) To invest and deal with any of the moneys of the Club not immediately required for the purposes of the Club upon such securities and in such manner as the Board may think fit and from time to time to vary or realise such investments.
 - (h) From time to time at its discretion to borrow or secure the payment of any sum or sums of money for the purposes of the Club and raise or secure the payment of such sum or sums in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as it shall think fit and to give security including by way of mortgage and/or charge upon or over all or any part of the <u>Club'sClub's</u> property both present and future.
 - subjectSubject to paragraph (j) of this Rule, sell, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of any furniture, fittings, equipment, plant, goods or other rights (property or otherwise).
 - (j) sell<u>Sell</u>, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of any land belonging to the Club provided that the power of the Board to dispose of any land shall be subject to

the requirements of the Liquor Act and the Registered Clubs Act.

- (k) To appoint, discharge and arrange the duties and powers of the Secretary, to determine the remuneration and terms of employment of the Secretary, and to specify and define the duties of the Secretary.
- (I) To engage, appoint, control, remove, discharge, suspend and dismiss managers, officers, representatives, agents and servants or other employees in respect to permanent, temporary or special services as it may from time to time think fit and to determine the duties, pay, salary, emoluments or other remuneration and to determine with or without compensation any contract for service or otherwise. The Board may delegate these powers (or any of them) to the Secretary of the Club from time to time.
- (m) To set the entrance fees and annual or other subscriptions and fees payable by all members.
- (n) To fix the maximum number of persons who may be admitted to each class of membership of the Club in accordance with this Constitution.
- (o) To affiliate with any sporting club or sporting association whether incorporated or unincorporated and in accordance with this Constitution nominate members to represent the Club on such sporting club, or sporting association.

COMMITTEES

- 55.61. (a) Without derogating from the general powers conferred by Rule 5359, the Board shall have power from time to time to delegate any of its powers to committees consisting of any:
 - (i) Director;
 - (ii) Member;
 - (iii) Employee;
 - (iv) Person who is not a member but who has a particular skill or expertise which they will apply to a committee;

or any combination thereof. The Board shall also have the power from time to time to revoke any such delegation.

- (b) Any committee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulation or restriction that the Board may from time to time impose.
- (c) The President shall be ex officio a member of all such committees and may nominate a director to represent him or her on such committees.
- (d) Any committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks proper. Questions arising at any meeting of a committee shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present and in the case of an equality of votes the chairperson of the meeting shall have a second and casting vote.
- (e) The meetings and proceedings of any committee consisting of two or more persons shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the

meetings and proceedings of the Board so far as the same are applicable thereto and are not superseded by this Rule $\frac{5561}{5561}$ or by any by-law made by the Board pursuant to this Rule $\frac{5561}{5561}$.

(f) Any Committee shall make minutes of its meetings and will forthwith submit those minutes to the Board and the Board will retain those minutes as if they were minutes of the Board.

SUB CLUBS

- 56.62. (a) Without derogating from the general powers conferred by Rule 5359, the Board shall have power from time to time to:
 - (i) Establish <u>subSub</u> clubs with such objects, powers and membership qualifications as the Board may determine from time to time.
 - (ii) Allow each of the <u>subSub</u> clubs established pursuant to this Rule <u>5662</u> or those already in existence, to conduct, manage and control sport or other activities for which they were respectively established within the Club.
 - (iii) Allow the <u>subSub</u> clubs to create rules and <u>byBy</u>-laws for the control and regulation of the sporting and social activities of such <u>subSub</u> clubs.
 - (iv) Permit any such subSub club to adopt a name distinctive of such subSub club (provided it be described as a subSub club of the Club) and to become affiliated with the bodies controlling sports in New South Wales on such terms and conditions (not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Registered Clubs Act) as such controlling bodies may from time to time require and to pay on behalf of the Club capitation or affiliation fees to any such controlling bodies or as required by such bodies.
 - (b) Any of the <u>subSub</u> clubs established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Rule <u>5662</u> or those already in existence must conform to any <u>byBy</u>-law made by the Board pursuant to Rule <u>5763</u>.
 - (c) The President shall be ex officio a member of all the committees of such subSub clubs and may nominate a director to represent him or her on the committees of such subSub clubs.
 - (d) Subject to the general control and supervision of the Board, each such subSub club shall manage its own affairs but shall make regular reports to the Board (or otherwise as may be required from time to time by the Board). The Minutes and records of each subSub club and its governing body shall also be produced promptly to the Board which shall review and preserve such minutes and records.
 - (e) The Board may empower each such <u>subSub</u> club to open and operate a bank account in the name of the section in such bank or banks as the Board may from time to time approve provided that the persons eligible to operate upon any such account shall be approved by the Board which from time to time may remove and replace such persons or any of them.
 - (f) Subject as hereinafter provided the constitutions and rules or byBy-laws of each such subSub club may be amended from time to time by a majority of the members for the time being of such subSub club at a general meeting of such

members either annually or at a meeting convened specifically for such purpose provided that no amendment proposed to and approved by the meeting of members of the <u>subSub</u> club shall have effect unless and until it shall have been approved by resolution of the Board. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(g) Any disciplinary action by a <u>subSub</u> club in respect of any member of such <u>subSub</u> club shall at once be reported to the Board together with the reasons therefore and with a recommendation as to further action (if any) to be taken by the Board.

BY-LAWS

- 57.63. (a) The Board may make such By-laws not inconsistent with this Constitution as, in the opinion of the Board, are necessary or desirable for the proper conduct and management of the Club and may amend or repeal any such By-laws.
 - (b) Without limiting the generality of paragraph (a) of this Rule <u>5763</u> the Board may regulate:
 - (i) such matters as the Board are specifically by this Constitution empowered to regulate by By-law;
 - (ii) the general management, control and trading activities of the Club;
 - (iii) the control and management of the Club premises;
 - (iv) the conduct of members and guests of members;
 - (v) the privileges to be enjoyed by each category of members;
 - (vi) the relationship between members and Club employees;
 - (vii) and the method and means of holding virtual and electronic meetings including how any voting at such meetings may occur;
 - (viii) the method and means of sending documents in electronic form by electronic communication; and
 - (vii)(ix) generally all such matters as are commonly the subject matter of the Constitution or By-laws or which by the Constitution are not reserved for decision by the Club in general meeting.
 - (c) Any By-law made under this Rule <u>5763</u> or any other Rule shall come into force and be fully operative upon the posting of an appropriate notice containing such By-law on the notice board.
 - (d) The Board shall cause a copy of all By-laws to be made available to any member on request and without charge to that member.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD

58.64. The Board may meet together for the dispatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate its meetings as it thinks fit provided that the Board shall meet whenever it deems it necessary but not less than once in each quarter, being each period of 3 months ending 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December, for the transaction of business.

- 59.65. A record of all members of the Board present at each Board meeting and of all resolutions and proceedings of the Board at such meeting shall be entered in a Minute Book provided for that purpose.
- 60.66. The President shall preside as chairperson at every meeting of the Board. If the President is not present or is unwilling or unable to act then the Vice President shall preside as chairperson of the meeting. If the Vice President is not present or is unwilling or unable to act then the directors present shall elect one of their number as chairperson for that meeting.
- 61.67. The quorum for meetings of the Board shall be four (4) directors personally present.
- 62.68. The President may at any time and the Secretary upon the request of not less than two (2) directors shall convene a meeting of the Board.
- 63.69. Subject to this Constitution questions arising at any meeting of the Board shall be decided by a majority of votes and a determination by a majority of the Board shall for all purposes be deemed a determination of the Board. In case of an equality of votes the chairperson of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
- 64.70. The continuing directors on the Board may act notwithstanding any vacancy in the Board, but if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by this Constitution as the necessary quorum of the Board, the continuing director or directors may act for the purpose of increasing the number of directors on the Board to that number or of summoning a general meeting of the Club, but for no other purpose.
- 65.71. All acts done by any meeting of the Board or of a committee or by any person acting as a member of the Board shall, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such member of the Board or person acting as aforesaid, or that the members of the Board or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a member of the Board.
- 66.72. A resolution in writing signed by all the directors shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Board duly convened and held. Any such resolution may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more directors. The resolution shall be passed when the last director signs the document containing the resolution.
- 73. <u>66A</u>—Without limiting Rule <u>6672</u>, a resolution may be passed by the Board if the proposed resolution is emailed to all directors and each director agrees to the proposed resolution by sending a reply email to that effect. The resolution shall be passed when the last director sends his or her reply email agreeing to the proposed resolution.
- 67.74. A meeting of the Board may be called or held using any technology consented to by all the directors-<u>but only if a person that speaks at the meeting can be heard by the other</u> persons attending and the directors attending, as a whole, have a reasonable opportunity to participate in the meeting. The consent may be a standing one. A director may only withdraw his or her consent within a reasonable period before the meeting. The Board may allow for directors to vote at such meetings in person or by electronic means.
- 75. The continuing directors of the Board may act notwithstanding any vacancy in the Board but if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by this

Constitution as the necessary quorum of the Board, the continuing member or members may act for the purpose of increasing the number of members of the Board to that number or of summoning a general meeting of the Club, but for no other purposes.

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS

- 68.76. Any director who has a material personal interest in a matter that relates to the affairs of the Club must, as soon as practicable after the relevant facts have come to the director's knowledge:
 - (a) declare the nature of the interest at a meeting of the Board; and
 - (b) comply with Rule <u>6977</u>.
- 69.77. Subject to Section 195 of the Act, a director who has a material personal interest in a matter that is being considered at a meeting of the Board, or of the Directors of the Club:
 - (a) must not vote on the matter; and
 - (b) must not be present while the matter is being considered at the meeting.

REGISTERED CLUBS ACCOUNTABILITY CODE

- 70.78. The Club must comply with the requirements of the Registered Clubs Accountability Code (as Schedule 2 of the Registered Club Regulation and as amended from time to time) and Rules 7381 to 76195 inclusive.
- 71.79. If any of Rules 7381 to 76195 inclusive are inconsistent with the Registered Clubs Accountability Code at any time, then the Registered Clubs Accountability Code shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.
- 72.80. For the purposes of this Rules 7381 to 76195 inclusive, the terms "close relative", "controlling interest", "manager", "pecuniary interest" and "top executive" have the meanings assigned to them by the Registered Clubs Act and Registered Clubs Regulations.

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS WITH TOP EXECUTIVES

- 73. The Club must ensure that each top executive Top Executive has entered into a written employment contract with the Club dealingthat deals with:
- 81. the top executive's:
 - (a) <u>Top Executive's</u> terms of employment; and
 - (b) the roles role and responsibilities of the top executive Top Executive;
 - (c) the remuneration (including fees for service) of the top executive Top Executive;
 - (d) the termination of the top executive's Top Executive's employment.
- 74.82. Contracts of employment with top executives Top Executives:

- (a) will not have any effect until they are approved by the Board; and
- (b) must be reviewed by an independent and qualified adviser before they canit may be approved by the Board.

CONTRACTS WITH DIRECTORS OR TOP EXECUTIVES

- 75.83. Subject to any restrictions contained in the Registered Clubs Act<u>Rules 86</u> and Rule 76A87, the Club must not enter into a commercial arrangement or :
 - (a) a contract with a director or top executive or with a company or other body in which a directorDirector or Top Executive of the Club has a pecuniary interest: Or
 - (b) a contract with a Director or Top Executive of the Club unless the proposed commercial arrangement or contract is first approved by the Board of the Club.
- 84. A "pecuniary interest" in a company for the purposes of Rule 83 above has the definition given to it by clause 3 of the Registered Clubs Accountability Code.
- 76.85. A "pecuniary interest" in a company for the purposes of Rule 7583 does not include any interest exempted by the Registered Clubs Act.

CONTRACTS WITH SECRETARY ANDOR MANAGERS

- 86. 76A. Unless otherwise permitted by As defined in the Registered Clubs ActAccountability Code, the Club must not enter into a commercial arrangement or contract with:
 - (a) the Secretary or a manager<u>Manager of the Club;</u> or
 - (b) any close relative of the Secretary or a manager; Manager of the Club; or
 - (c) any company or other body in which the Secretary or a manager<u>Manager</u> or a close relative of the Secretary or a manager<u>Manager</u> has a controlling interest.
- 87. Rule 86 does not prevent the Club entering into a contract with any of the above persons which is:
 - (a) a contract of employment as permitted by the Registered Clubs Act;
 - (b) a result of an open tender process conducted by the Club; or
 - (c) otherwise permitted by the Registered Clubs Act.

LOANS TO DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

- 88. 76B. The Club must not: lend money to a director of the Club.
- 89. The Club must not lend money to an employee of the Club unless:
 (a) the amount of the proposed loan is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less; and

(b) the proposed loan has first been approved by the Board of the Club.

<u>90.</u> Rule 89 does not apply to any amount of money lent to the employee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the employee's contract of employment with the Club.

RESTRICTIONS ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF CLOSE RELATIVES OF DIRECTORS ANDOR TOP EXECUTIVES

- 76C. A person who is a close relative of a director or top executive must not be employed by the Club unless their employment is approved by the Board.
- <u>91.</u> <u>76D.</u> If a person who is being considered for employment by the Club is a close relative of a Director of the Club, the Director must not take part in any decision relating to the person's employment.
- 92. A person who is a close relative of a director or Top Executive of the Club must not be employed by the Club unless their employment is approved by the Board of the Club.

DISCLOSURES BY DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CLUB

- <u>93.</u> <u>76E</u>A director, top executive Top Executive or employee of the Club must disclose any of the following matters to the Club to the extent that they relate to the director, top executive Top Executive or employee:
 - (a) any material personal interest that the director has in a matter relating to the affairs of the Club; and
 - (b) any personal or financial interest of the director or top executive Top Executive in a contract relating to the procurement of goods or services or any major capital works of the Club;
 - (c) any financial interest of the director or top executive <u>Top Executive</u> in a hotel situated within forty (40) kilometres of the <u>Club'sClub's</u> premises;
 - (d) any gift (which includes money, hospitality <u>andor</u> discounts) valued at one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more, or any remuneration (including any <u>feesfee</u> for service) of an amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more, received by the director, <u>top executiveTop Executive</u> or employee from an affiliated body of the Club or from a person or body that has entered into a contract with the Club;
- <u>94.</u> <u>76F</u>The Club must keep a register in an approved form containing details of the disclosures made to the Club in accordance with Rule <u>76E93</u>.

TRAINING DISCLOSURES

- 76G. The Club must make available to members:
 - (a) details of any training which has been completed by directors, the Secretary and managers of the Club in accordance with the Registered Clubs Regulation; an
 - (b) the reasons for any exemption of any director, the Secretary and any manager

of the Club from the training prescribed by the Registered Clubs Regulation.

76H. The Club must indicate, by displaying a notice on the Club's premises and on the Club's website (if any), how the members of the Club can access the information.

PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO MEMBERS

- 95. 761. The Club must:
 - (a) make the information required by the Registered Clubs <u>RegulationsAccountability Code</u> available to the members of the Club within four (4) months after the end of each reporting period to which the information relates: and
 - (b) indicate, by displaying a notice on the <u>Club'sClub's</u> premises and on the <u>Club'sClub's</u> website (if any), how the members of the Club can access the information.

REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF DIRECTORS

- 77.96. (a) The members in general meeting may by ordinary resolution:
 - (i) remove from office any director, directors or the whole of the Board before the expiration of his or her or their period of office;
 - (ii) appoint another person or persons in his or her or their stead provided any person so appointed is eligible to be a director in accordance with this Constitution.
 - (b) Any person appointed pursuant to sub paragraph (a)(ii) of this Rule 77<u>96</u> shall hold office during such time only as the person whose place he or she is appointed would have held the same if he or she had not been so removed.
 - (c) Notice of the intention to move a resolution to remove a member of the Board from office must be given to the Club at least two months before the meeting at which the resolution is to be considered and voted on. The provisions of Section 203D of the Act shall be followed in relation to that meeting.
- <u>97.</u> <u>77A.</u> (a) With effect from the annual general meeting of the Club in 2016 every Director of the Club (subject to paragraph (b) of this Rule 77A) must complete all training courses required to be undertaken pursuant to the Registered Clubs <u>Amendment (Training) Regulation 2013 ("the Training Regulation")<u>Act</u> within twelve (12) months of becoming a Director.</u>
 - (b) Paragraph (a) of this Rule <u>77A-97</u> does not apply to a Director who pursuant to the Training Regulation is exempt from having to complete the training courses referred to in paragraph (a).

VACANCIES ON BOARD

- 78.98. The office of a member of the Board shall automatically be vacated if the person holding that office:
 - (a) is disqualified for any reason referred to in RuleSections 201B or 206B of the Act.

- (b) becomes of unsound mind or a person whose person or estate is liable to be dealt with in any way under the law relating to mental health.
- (c) is absent from meetings of the Board for a continuous period of three (3) months without leave of absence from the Board and the Board resolves that the office be vacated.
- (d) by notice in writing given to the Secretary resigns from office as a director.
- (e) becomes prohibited from being a member of the Board by reason of any order made under the Act or is disqualified from holding office as a director pursuant to any order or declaration made under the Registered Clubs Act or Liquor Act.
- (f) ceases to be a member of the Club.
- (g) becomes an employee of the Club.
- (h) fails to complete the <u>mandatory</u> training <u>required by</u> for directors referred to in Rule <u>77A97</u> (unless <u>exempted from doing so</u>) within twelve (12) months of becoming a Director.
- 79.99. The Board shall have power at any time and from time to time, to appoint any eligible person to the Board to fill a casual vacancy. The person so appointed shall hold office only until the conclusion of the following Annual General Meeting.

GENERAL MEETINGS

- 80.100. A general meeting called the Annual General Meeting shall be held once at least in every calendar year at such time and place as may be determined by the Board but within five (5) months of the close of the financial year. All meetings other than Annual General Meetings shall be called general meetings.
- 81.101. (a) The Board may whenever it considers fit call and arrange to hold a general meeting of the Club.
 - (b) The Board will when calling a general meeting of the Club determine whether the general meeting is to be held:

(i) at one or more physical venues; or

(ii) at one or more physical venues and using virtual meeting technology; or

(iii) using virtual meeting technology only.

- (b)(c) The Board must call and arrange to hold a general meeting of the Club on the request of members with at least five percentper cent (5%) of the votes which may be cast at the general meeting.
- (d) In this Rule 81101 the term ""the request" shall mean the request referred to in this paragraph (bc).

(c)(e) The request must:

(i) be in writing; and

- (ii) state any resolution to be proposed at the meeting;
- (iii) be signed by the members making the request;
- (iv) be given to the Secretary.
- (d)(f) Separate copies of a document setting out the request may be used for signing by the members if the wording of the request is identical in each copy.
- (e)(g) The Board must call the meeting within <u>twenty-one (21)</u> days after the request is given to the Secretary. The meeting is to be held not later than <u>two (2)</u> months after the request is given to the Secretary.
- (f)(h) Members with more than <u>fifty per cent (50%%)</u> of the votes of all the members who make the request may call and arrange to hold a general meeting if the Board do not do so within <u>twenty-one (21)</u> days after the request is given to the Secretary.
- (g)(i) The meeting referred to in paragraph (fh) of this Rule 84101 must be called in the same way, so far as is possible, in which general meetings of the Club may be called. The meeting must be held not later than three (3) months after the request is given to the Club.
- (h)(j) To call the meeting the members requesting the meeting may ask the Secretary for a copy of the Register of Members and the Secretary must give the members the copy of the Register without charge.
- (i)(k) The Club must pay the reasonable expenses the members incurred because the Board failed to call and arrange to hold the meeting. The Club may recover the amount of the expenses from the directors of the Club. However, a director is not liable for the amount if that director proves that he or she took all reasonable steps to cause the directors to comply with this Rule 81101. The directors who are liable are jointly and individually liable for the amount. If a director who is liable for the amount does not reimburse the Club the Club must deduct the amount from any sum payable as fees payable to, or remuneration (including an honorarium) of the director.
- 102. 81AThe Board may cancel or postpone any general meeting prior to the date on which it is to be held, except where such cancellation or postponement would be contrary to the Act. The Board may give such notice of the cancellation or postponement as it thinks fit but any failure to give notice of the cancellation or postponement does not invalidate the cancellation or postponement of the meeting or the validity of any resolution passed at a postponed meeting. However, this Rule 102 will not operate in relation to a meeting called on the request of members pursuant to Rule 81(b101(c) of this Constitution or the Act.
- <u>103.</u> <u>81B</u>The Board may withdraw any resolution which has been proposed by the Board and which is to be considered at a general meeting, except where the withdrawal of such a resolution would be contrary to the Act.
- <u>104.</u> <u>81C</u>The Club may hold a general meeting (including an Annual General Meeting) at two (2) or more venues using any technology that gives the members as a whole a reasonable opportunity to participate.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND

GENERAL MEETINGS

- 82.105. (a) At least 21 daysdays' notice in writing of the Annual General Meeting and of any general meeting of the members of the Club must be given to all fullFull members who are entitled to attend and vote at that meeting and to the auditor, by:
 - (i) posting of such notice of a general meeting of the members of the Club (including an Annual General Meeting) on the Club Notice Board for a period of not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the meeting; and
 - (ii) posting of such notice of a general meeting of the members of the Club (including an Annual General Meeting) on the Club website for a period of not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the meeting; and
 - (iii) sending a copy of the general meeting notice by electronic means to members who have electronic contact details recorded on their entry in the Club's Register of Members, on a date which is not less than twentyone (21) days prior to the date of the meeting.
 - (b) A notice of a general meeting of the <u>Club'sClub's</u> members must:
 - (i) set out the place, date and time of the meeting; and
 - (ii) state the general nature of the meeting's meeting's business; and
 - (iii) if a special resolution is to be proposed at the meeting set out an intention to propose the special resolution and state the resolution.
 - (c) The place at which a general meeting of the Club is held is taken to be:
 - (i) if the general meeting is held at only one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology)—that physical venue; or
 - (ii) if the general meeting is held at more than one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology)—the main physical venue of the meeting as set out in the notice of the meeting; or
 - (iii) if the general meeting is held using virtual meeting technology only the registered office of the Club.
 - (c)(d) A copy of a notice of a general meeting of the members of the Club (including an Annual General Meeting) shall also be posted on the Club Notice Board for a period of not less than 21 days prior to the date of the meeting.
 - (e) The time at which the general meeting is held is taken to be the time at the place at which the meeting is taken to be held in accordance with Rule 105(c).
 - (d)(f) Neither the accidental omission to give notice of a meeting or the non-receipt by any person of notice of a meeting nor the omission to post a copy of a notice of the meeting on the Notice Board shall invalidate any proceedings at such meeting unless pursuant to Section 1322 of the Act such proceedings are declared to be

void.

- 106. A member who attends the general meeting of the Club (whether at a physical venue or by using virtual meeting technology) is taken for all purposes to be present in person at the meeting while so attending.
- 107. Any general meeting of the Club must give the members entitled to attend the general meeting, as a whole, a reasonable opportunity to participate in the meeting.
- 108. Without limiting the scope of Rule 105(c), the effects of that Rule include that:
 - (a) The general meeting of the Club must be held at a time that is reasonable at:
 - (i) if the general meeting of the Club is held at only one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology)—that physical venue; or
 - (ii) if the general meeting of the Club is held at more than one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology) the main physical venue of the meeting as set out in the notice of the meeting; or
 - (iii) if the general meeting of the Club is held using virtual meeting technology only—a physical venue at which it would be reasonable to hold the meeting.
 - (b) If the general meeting of the Club is held at only one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology), it must be reasonable to hold the meeting at that physical venue.
 - (c) If the general meeting of the Club is held at more than one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology), it must be reasonable to hold the meeting at its main physical venue as set out in the notice of the meeting.
 - (d) If the general meeting of the Club is held at more than one physical venue (whether or not it is also held using virtual meeting technology), the technology used to hold the meeting at more than one physical venue must be reasonable.
 - (e) If the general meeting of the Club is held using virtual meeting technology (whether or not it is held at one or more physical venues), that virtual meeting technology must:
 - (i) be reasonable; and
 - (ii) allow the members who are entitled to attend the general meeting of the Club, and do attend the general meeting of the Club using that virtual meeting technology, as a whole, to exercise orally and in writing any rights of those members to ask questions and make comments.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- 83.109. The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be as follows:
 - (a) to confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting;

- (b) to receive and consider the reports referred to in Rule 99;127;
- (c) to conduct the election of the Board;
- (d) to appoint an Auditor or Auditors in the event that there be a vacancy in the office of Auditor;
- (e) to approve the reimbursement of directors' expenses and the payment of honorariums (if any);
- (f) to deal with any other business of which due notice has been given to the members.
- 84.110. (a) Notwithstanding Rules 86112, 87113 and 88114, individual members may submit items of business and notices of motion which they wish to have included in the business of the Annual General Meeting. All such items of business and notices of motion must be in writing and received by the Secretary at least forty-two (42) days prior to the date fixed for such Annual General Meeting.
 - (b) The Secretary shall cause all items of business and notices of motion referred to in paragraph (a) to be presented to the Board and the Board shall have absolute discretion as to whether to include those items of business and/or notices of motion in the Notice of the Annual General Meeting that is sent to members.
 - 85.111. (a) The Chairperson of the Annual General Meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for the members as a whole at the meeting to ask questions about or make comments on the management of the Club.
 - (b) If the <u>Club'sClub's</u> auditor or a representative of the <u>Club'sClub's</u> auditor is at the meeting, the Chairperson of the Annual General Meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for the members as a whole at the meeting to ask the auditor or the <u>auditor'sauditor's</u> representative questions relevant to the conduct of the audit and the preparation and conduct of the <u>auditor'sauditor's</u> report.

MEMBERS'MEMBERS' RESOLUTIONS

- 86.112. (a) The following members may give the Secretary notice of a resolution that they propose to move at a general meeting:
 - (i) members with at least <u>5%five per cent (5%)</u> of the votes that may be cast on the resolution; or
 - (ii) at least <u>one hundred (100)</u> members who are entitled to vote at a general meeting;
 - (b) The notice must:
 - (i) be in writing; and
 - (ii) set out the wording of the proposed resolution; and
 - (iii) be signed by the members proposing to move the resolution.

- (c) Separate copies of a document setting out the notice may be used for signing by members if the wording of the notice is identical in each copy;
- (d) The percentage of votes that members have is to be worked out as at the midnight before the members give the notice to the Secretary.
- 87.113. (a) If the Secretary has been given notice of a resolution under Rule 86112, the resolution is to be considered at the next general meeting that occurs more than two (2) months after the notice is given;
 - (b) The Club must give all its members notice of the resolution at the same time, or as soon as practicable afterwards, and in the same way, as it gives notice of a meeting;
 - (c) The Club is responsible for the cost of giving members notice of the resolution if the Club receives the notice in time to send it out to members with the notice of meeting;
 - (d) The members requesting the meeting are jointly and individually liable for the expenses reasonably incurred by the Club in giving members notice of the resolution if the Club does not receive the members'members' notice in time to send it out with the notice of meeting. At a general meeting, the members present and entitled to vote may resolve that the Club meet the expenses itself.
 - (e) The Club need not give notice of the resolution:
 - (i) if it is more than 1,000 words long or defamatory; or
 - (ii) if the members making the request are to bear the expenses of sending the notice out - unless the members give the Club a sum reasonably sufficient to meet the expenses that it will reasonably incur in giving the notice.
 - 88.114. (a) Members may request the Club to give to all its members a statement provided by the members making the request about:
 - (i) a resolution that is proposed to be moved at a general meeting; or
 - (ii) any other matter that may be properly considered at a general meeting;
 - (b) The request must be made by:
 - (i) members with at least <u>5%five per cent (5%)</u> of the votes that may be cast on the resolution; or
 - (ii) at least <u>one hundred (100)</u> members who are entitled to vote at the meeting.
 - (c) The request must be:
 - (i) in writing; and
 - (ii) signed by the members making the request; and
 - (iii) given to the Secretary.
 - (d) Separate copies of a document setting out the request may be used for signing

by members if the wording of the request is identical in each copy;

- (e) The percentage of votes that members have is to be worked out as at the midnight before the request is given to the Secretary;
- (f) After receiving the request, the Club must distribute to all its members a copy of the statement at the same time, or as soon as practicable afterwards, and in the same way, as it gives notice of a general meeting;
- (g) The Club is responsible for the cost of making the distribution if the Secretary receives the statement in time to send it out to members with the notice of meeting.
- (h) The members making the request are jointly and individually liable for the expenses reasonably incurred by the Club in making the distribution if the Club does not receive the statement in time to send it out with the notice of meeting. At a general meeting, the Club may resolve to meet the expenses itself.
- (i) The Club need not comply with the request:
 - (i) if the statement is more than 1,000 words long or defamatory; or
 - (ii) if the members making the request are responsible for the expenses of the distribution - unless the members give the Club a sum reasonably sufficient to meet the expenses that it will reasonably incur in making the distribution.
- 89.115. A general meeting of the members of the Club must be held for a proper purpose.

AUDITOR'S AUDITOR'S RIGHT TO BE HEARD AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- 90.116. (a) The Club's Club's auditor shall be given notice of all general meetings at the same time as such notice is given to the members and is entitled to attend any general meeting of the Club;
 - (b) The auditor is entitled to be heard at the meeting on any part of the business of the meeting that concerns the auditor in their capacity as auditor;
 - (b) The auditor is entitled to be heard even if:
 - (i) the auditor retires at the meeting; or
 - (ii) the meeting passes a resolution to remove the auditor from office.
 - (c) The auditor may authorise a person in writing as their representative for the purpose of attending and speaking at any general meeting.

PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

91.117. The President shall be entitled to take the Chair at every general meeting. If the President is not present within thirty (30) minutes after the time appointed for holding such meeting or is unwilling or unable to act then a Vice President shall preside as chairperson of the meeting. If a Vice President is not present within fifteen (15) minutes after the time appointed for holding such meeting or is unwilling or unable to act then Club present shall elect a

member of the Board or one of their number to preside as chairperson of the meeting.

- 92.118. (a) At any general meeting of the Club (including an Annual General Meeting), thirty (30) members present in person and eligible to vote shall be a quorum.
 - (b) If a quorum is not present within <u>thirty (30)</u> minutes after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting shall:
 - be dissolved if it was convened at the request of members pursuant to Rule 81101; or
 - (ii) stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place or to such other day time and place as the Board may determine provided that such adjournment shall not exceed <u>twenty-one (21)</u> days.
 - (c) If at any meeting adjourned pursuant to this Rule <u>92118</u> a quorum is not present, the members present shall be a quorum and may transact any business for which the meeting was called.
- 93.119. (a) Every question submitted to a meeting other than a Special Resolution shall be decided by a simple majority of votes from those members present and voting and counted on a show of hands, or any equivalent indication determined by the Board if a member is attending such general meeting by electronic means, (unless a poll is demanded by five (5) members) and in the case of an equality of votes whether on a show of hands, or any equivalent indication determined by the Board if a member is attending such general meeting by electronic means, or any equivalent indication determined by the Board if a member is attending such general meeting by electronic determined by the Board if a member is attending such general meeting by electronic means, or on a poll the chairperson of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
 - (b) If a poll is demanded it shall be taken in such manner and either at once or after the interval or adjournment or otherwise as the chairperson directs and the result of the poll shall be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded but a poll demanded on the election of the chairperson or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith.
 - (c) A demand for a poll may be withdrawn.
 - (d) At any general meeting (unless a poll is demanded) a declaration by the chairperson that a resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority or lost or not carried by a particular majority and an entry to that effect in the book containing the minutes of the proceedings of the Club shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.
- 120. The Board may cancel or postpone any general meeting prior to the date on which it is to be held, except where such cancellation or postponement would be contrary to the Act. The Board may give such notice of the cancellation or postponement as it thinks fit but any failure to give notice of the cancellation or postponement does not invalidate the cancellation or postponement of the meeting or the validity of any resolution passed at a postponed meeting. However, this Rule 120 will not operate in relation to a meeting called pursuant to a request or requisition of Members.
- 121. The Board may withdraw any resolution which has been proposed by the Board and which is to be considered at a general meeting, except where the withdrawal of such resolution would be contrary to the Act.

PROXY VOTING PROHIBITED

94.122. A person shall not:

- (a) Attend or vote at any meeting of the Club or of the Board or of any committee thereof; or
- (b) Vote at any election including an election of a member or of the Board

as the proxy of another person.

ADJOURNMENT OF GENERAL MEETINGS

- 95.123. (a) The Chairperson of a meeting may with the consent of the meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting) adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place.
 - (b) No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
 - (c) A resolution passed at a meeting resumed after an adjournment shall for all purposes be treated as having been passed on the date when it was in fact passed and shall not be deemed to have been passed on any earlier date.
 - (d) It shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting except when a meeting is adjourned for thirty (30) days or more, when notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an original meeting.

MINUTES

- 96.124. (a) The Club must keep minute books in which it records:
 - (i) proceedings and resolutions of general meetings of the Club; and
 - (ii) proceedings and resolutions of meetings of the directors of the Club (including meetings of a committee of directors);
 - (iii) resolutions passed by directors without a meeting.
 - (b) The Club must ensure that:
 - (i) minutes of a meeting are signed within one (1) month of the meeting by the chairperson of the meeting or the chairperson of the next meeting.
 - (ii) minutes of the passing of a resolution without a meeting are signed by a director within one (1) month of the date on which the resolution is passed.
 - (c) A minute that is so recorded and signed is evidence of the proceeding, resolution or declaration to which it relates, unless the contrary is proved.

ACCOUNTS

97:125. The Board shall cause proper accounts and records to be kept with respect to the financial affairs of the Club in accordance with the Act and the Registered

Clubs Act.

- <u>98.126.</u> The books of account shall be kept at the Registered Office of the Club or at such other place as the Board thinks fit. The Club shall at all reasonable times make its accounting records available in writing for the inspection of members of the Board and any other persons authorised or permitted by or under the Act to inspect such records.
- <u>99.127.</u> The Board shall, not less than twenty-<u>-</u>one (21) days before each Annual General Meeting and in any event within four (4) months of the end of the financial year of the Club, report to members in accordance with Division 4 of Part 2M.3 of the Act.
- 100.128. In accordance with Section 317 of the Act, the Board shall lay before the Annual General Meeting in respect of the financial year ending on the last day of March immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting:
 - (a) the financial report of the Club; and
 - (b) the directors' report;
 - (c) the auditor's report on the financial report.

FINANCIAL YEAR

101.129. The financial year of the Club and any subSub club or other entity created under this Constitution shall commence on the first day of April in each year and end on the last day of March in the following year or such other period as having regard to the Act, the Board may determine.

AUDITORS

<u>402.130.</u> Auditors shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with the Act and their remuneration shall be fixed by the Board.

SECRETARY

103.131. At any time there shall only be one Secretary of the Club who shall be appointed by the Board and who shall be the Chief Executive officer of the Club for the purposes of the Registered Clubs Act.

EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS

104.<u>132.</u> (a) The Club shall have a Seal.

- (b) The Board must provide for the safe custody of the Seal.
- (c) The Club may execute a document (including a deed) with the Seal by fixing the Seal to the document and having the fixing of the Seal witnessed by:
 - (i) two members of the Board; or
 - (ii) one member of the Board and the Secretary.
- (d) The Club may execute a document (including a deed) without using the Seal if

that document is signed by:

- (i) two members of the Board; or
- (ii) one member of the Board and the Secretary.

NOTICES

- 105. A notice may be given by the Club to any member either:
 - (a) personally; or
 - (b) by sending itby post to the address of the member recorded for that member in the Register of Members kept pursuant to this Constitution;
 - (c) by sending it to the electronic address (if any) nominated by the member;
 - (d) by notifying the member in accordance with Rule 106 (in the case of notices of general meetings (including Annual General Meetings only).
- 106. If the member nominates:
 - (a) an electronic means (the nominated notification means) by which the member may be notified that notices of meeting are available; and
 - (b) an electronic means (the nominated access means) the member may use to access notices of meeting;

the Club may give the member notice of the meeting by notifying the member (using the nominated notification means);

- (c) that the notice of meeting is available; and
- (d) how the member may use the nominated access means to access the notice of meeting.
- 106A. Where a notice is sent by post to a member in accordance with Rule 105, the notice shall be deemed to have been received by the members:
 - (a) in the case of a notice convening a meeting, on the day following that on which the notice was posted; and
 - (b) in any other case, at the time at which the notice would have been delivered in the ordinary course of post.
- 106B Where a notice is sent by electronic means, the notice is taken to have been given on the day following that on which it was sent.
- 106C Where a notice of general meeting (including Annual General Meeting) is sent to a member in accordance with Rule 106, the notice is taken to be given on the day following that on which the member is notified that the notice of meeting is available.
- 133. The signature to any notice to be given by the Club may be written or printed.
- 134. In addition to any other way allowed by the Act, a document, including without limitation any notice of or information about, a meeting or election of the Club, the Board or committee of the Club, may be given by the Club to any member either:

- (a) in physical form:
 - (i) personally delivered; or
 - (ii) by leaving it at, or by sending it by post to, the address of the member recorded for that member in the Register of Members; or
 - (iii) if Rule 136 is satisfied by sending by post to the address of the member recorded for that member in the Register of Members sufficient information in physical form to allow the member to access the document electronically; or
- (b) in electronic form:
 - (i) if Rule 136 is satisfied by sending the document in electronic form by means of an electronic communication; or
 - (ii) if Rule 136 is satisfied by sending the member sufficient information in electronic form, by means of an electronic communication, to allow the member to access the document electronically; or
 - (iii) if Rules 136 and 137 are satisfied by making the document readily available in electronic form on a website.
- 135. Where a document is:
 - (a) sent by post to a member in accordance with Rule 134 the document shall be deemed to have been received by the member:
 - (i) in the case of a notice convening a meeting, on the day following that on which the notice was posted; and
 - (ii) in any other case, on the third (3rd) day following that on which the notice was posted.
 - (b) sent by electronic means in accordance with Rule 134 the document shall be deemed to have been received by the member:
 - (i) in the case of an electronic communication which leaves an information system under the control of the Club or of the party who sent it on behalf of the Club, the day after it leaves such information system; and
 - (iii) in the case of an electronic communication which has not left an information system under the control of the Club or of the party who sent it on behalf of the Club, the day that such document was sent by the information system.
- <u>136.</u> This Rule is satisfied if, at the time a document is sent, it is reasonable to expect that the document would be readily accessible as to be useable for subsequent reference.
- <u>137. This Rule is satisfied if the document:</u>
 - (a) is a report mentioned in section 314 of the Act (annual financial reporting by companies, registered schemes and disclosing entities to members); or
 - (b) is in a class of documents specified in regulations made for the purpose of section

110D(3)(b) of the Act.

- 138. If a communication is given:
 - (a) after 5.00 pm in the place of receipt; or
 - (b) on a day which is a Saturday, Sunday or bank or public holiday in the place of receipt.

it is taken as having been given at 9.00 am on the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or bank or public holiday in that place.

INDEMNITY TO OFFICERS

- <u>107.139.</u> Every officer (as defined in Section 9 of the Act) and former officer of the Club shall be indemnified to the full extent permitted by the Act out of the property of the Club against any liability incurred by him in his capacity as officer in defending any proceedings whether civil or criminal.
- 108.140. The Club may pay a premium for a contract insuring a person who is an officer or a former officer of the Club against a liability incurred by that person as an officer of the Club provided that the liability is not one in respect of which a premium can notcannot be paid under the Act or a liability which contravenes Section 199A or Section 199B of the Act.

INTERPRETATION

- <u>109.141.</u> A decision of the Board on the construction or interpretation of the Constitution or any Rule, or any By-Law of the Club made pursuant to this Constitution or on any matter arising therefrom, shall be conclusive and binding on all members of the Club.
- 142. In relation to a requirement in this Constitution for a person to "be present" for a meeting, a person who attends a meeting (whether at a physical venue or by using virtual meeting technology) is taken for all purposes to be present in person at the meeting while so attending.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

<u>110.143.</u> This Constitution can only be amended by way of Special Resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the Club. Life members and financial Voting members shall be the only members eligible to vote on any Special Resolution to amend this Constitution.

SPECIFIC LEGISLATION PREVAILS

- 144. This Constitution is subject to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act and the Act, and if there is any inconsistency then to the extent necessary to conform with any mandatory provision of that legislation or any other legislation, then the provisions of the legislation prevail over the provisions of this Constitution and this Constitution must be read and applied with the minimum necessary changes to conform with the mandatory provisions of legislation.
- 145. If any part of this Constitution becomes unlawful under the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act, the Act or any other legislation, then this Constitution must be read as if the unlawful part is not part of this Constitution. This does not limit Rule 144.

GENERAL

- 146. This Constitution shall be read and construed subject to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act and to the extent that any of the provisions in this Constitution are inconsistent therewith and might prevent the Club being registered under the provisions of the said Act they shall be inoperative and have no effect.
- 147. Any member who has a matter of immediate concern about the service provided by the Club or the conduct of any person in the Club shall bring the relevant facts, matters and circumstances to the attention of the Secretary and in his or her absence to the senior Manager of the Club then on duty at the Club but not to any other employee of the Club.