## CONSTITUTION

OF

## GOSFORD SAILING CLUB LIMITED <br> ABN 64000703462

## NAME

1. The name of the Company is Gosford Sailing 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:
"The Act" means the Corporations Act. 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 Gosford Sailing Club Limited ABN 64000703462
"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.
"Full member" means any person who is in one of the categories of membership referred to in Rule 18.
"Constitution" means this Constitution.
"Month" except where otherwise provided in this Constitution means calendar month.
"The Office" means the registered office for the time being of the Club.
"Rules" means the rules comprising this Constitution.
"Secretary Manager" includes Acting Secretary Manager, Honorary Secretary Manager, Acting Honorary Secretary Manager, Secretary Manager and General Manager and Chief Executive Officer.
"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 60 is or has been established and is affiliated or becomes affiliated with the Club.
(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 40; 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) Words importing the singular number also include the plural and vice versa and the masculine gender the feminine gender and vice versa.
(d) 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.

## OBJECTIVES

6. The primary objective of the Club is to promote, manage, conduct and control sailing and racing within the district of Gosford or elsewhere.

The additional Objectives of the Club are:-
(a) To acquire and take over all the assets and liabilities of a Company known as Brisbane Waters Sailing Club Limited and to carry on the work and activities of the said Company.
(b) To support and encourage sailing within the Commonwealth of Australia or elsewhere.
(c) To provide boat house accommodation for sailing vessels which compete in races conducted by the Club.
(d) To affiliate or co-operate with any other body of association having for its objectives, the promotion and development of sailing.
(e) To provide for members and for members' guests a social and sporting Club with all the usual facilities of a Club including residential, boat housing and other accommodation, liquid and other refreshment, libraries and provision for sporting, musical and education activities and other social amenities.
(f) To construct, establish, provide, maintain and conduct such playing areas and grounds as the Club may determine, and to construct, provide, establish, furnish and maintain club house pavilions and other buildings in connection therewith containing such accommodation, residential or otherwise and conveniences as the Club may from time to time determine including adequate dressing rooms, lockers, boat and associated equipment accommodation and any other necessary accommodation.
(g) To purchase, hire, lease or otherwise acquire, for the purpose of the Club, any real or personal property and any rights or privileges which the Club may think necessary or convenient for the carrying out of its objectives.
(h) To give, sell, mortgage, exchange, hire, lease or otherwise dispose of the property of the Club or any part or parts thereof, subject to any limitation contained in the Registered Clubs Act.
(i) In furtherance of the objectives of the Club, to apply for and obtain and hold a Club License or any other license or licenses or Certificate of Registration under the Liquor Act or Laws or any other Act or Laws for the time being operative and for such purpose or purposes to appoint, if necessary or desirable, a manager or managers or other officer or officers to act as licensee or licensees and hold the license or licenses on behalf of the Club.
(j) In furtherance of the objectives of the Club to obtain and hold any license or permission necessary for, and to carry on the business of restaurant keepers and/or sellers of tobacco cigars and cigarettes and of all kinds of goods and provisions etcetera, required, used or desired by members.
(k) To take or reject any gift of property, moneys or goods whether subject to any special trust or not.
(I) To erect, maintain, improve or alter any building or buildings for the purposes of the Club.
(m) To amalgamate with any other company, association or club having objectives similar to this Club and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Club under or by virtue of Clause 3 hereof.
(n) To enter into a guarantee or bond for the benefit of the Club, and to indemnify any person or persons, 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, charges or other security over the whole or any part of the real or personal property, present or future, of the Club.
(o) To establish, support or aid in the establishment and support of associations, funds, trusts and conveniences, calculated to benefit the members of the Club or the dependants or connections of such members, and to make payments towards insurance for any purpose and to subscribe to guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objectives or for any exhibition or for any public general or useful objective.
(p) To carry on all such activities as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Club.
(q) To do all such acts, deeds, matters and things and to enter into and make such agreements as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objectives of the Club.

## LIMITED LIABILITY

7. The liability of the members is limited.

## MEMBERS GUARANTEE

8. (a) Each member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding two dollars (\$2.00) 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

## 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 such other institution or institutions for the promotion of a game or sport having objectives similar to the objectives 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 general meeting (by ordinary resolution) at or before the time of dissolution; or in default thereof
(ii) the Supreme Court of New South Wales.
(c) If and so far as effect cannot be given to the above provisions, then any surplus property shall be given to some charitable organisation.

## PROPERTY AND INCOME OF THE CLUB

10. The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objectives 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 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 Full member of the Club.
12. Subject to the provisions 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 Certificate of Registration under the Registered Clubs 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 certificate.
13. A director shall not hold or be appointed or elected to any office of the Club and paid by salary or wages or any similar basis of remuneration.
14. Subject to Rule 15, nothing in this Constitution shall prevent the payment in good faith of:
(a) reasonable and proper remuneration to any employed officer or other employee of the Club;
(b) reasonable and proper remuneration to any member of the Club in return for services actually rendered;
(c) 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 by a member to the Club;
(d) 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) an honorarium in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act;
(b) repayment of out of pocket expenses in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act;
(c) interest at the rate referred to in Rule 14(c) above, on any money lent by the director of the Club;
(d) a benefit provided in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act;
(e) rent as referred to and in accordance with Rule 14(d).

## LIQUOR \& 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 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 18 years.
(c) A person under the age of 18 years shall not use or operate the gaming facilities of the Club.
(d) The Secretary Manager 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 2002, 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 2002, 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 18 years shall be admitted as a member of the Club other than as a junior member.
18. The Full membership of the Club shall be divided into the following categories:
(a) Sailing Members;
(b) Non Sailing Members;
(c) Social Members;
(d) Junior Members.
19. Persons who are not Full members may, in accordance with this Constitution, be admitted to the Club as: Page 5 of 35
(a) Provisional Members;
(b) Honorary Members;
(c) Temporary Members.
20. Deleted

## ELIGIBILITY AND RIGHTS OF CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

## Sailing Members

21. (a) Sailing membership shall be those persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18)years of age, and who have made application for membership according to this Constitution, and have been duly admitted to membership after paying the appropriate Sailing membership subscription. This classification shall comprise of the following sub classifications:-
(i) Life Members
(ii) Fully Paid Up Sailing Members
(iii) Active Sailing Members
(iv) Past Active Sailing
(b) Sailing members shall pay such entrance fee (if any) and annual subscription as the Board may determine from time to time and shall not be less than that prescribed in the Registered Clubs Act.
(c) Sailing members are entitled to:
(i) all the social privileges and advantages of the Club;
(ii) nominate for and be elected to hold office on the Board;
(iii) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
(iv) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership;
(v) attend and vote at any General Meeting.

## Non Sailing Members

22. (a) Non-Sailing members shall be those persons who are interested in supporting sailing, have attained the age of eighteen (18) years, who have made application for membership according to this Constitution, and have been duly admitted to membership after paying the appropriate Non-Sailing membership subscription. This classification shall comprise the following sub classifications:-
(i) Non Sailing Members
(ii) Fully Paid Up Non Sailing Members
(b) Non-Sailing members shall pay such entrance fee (if any) and annual subscription as the Board may determine from time to time and shall not be less than that prescribed in the Registered Clubs Act.
(c) Non-Sailing members are entitled to:
(i) all the social privileges and advantages of the Club;
(ii) propose, second, or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
(iii) attend and vote at any General Meeting.
(d) Non-Sailing members are not entitled to nominate for and be elected or appointed to hold office on the Board or become Life Members.

## Social Members

23. (a) Social members shall be persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and who have made application for membership according to this Constitution and have been duly admitted to membership after paying the appropriate Social membership subscription.
(b) Social members shall pay such entrance fee (if any) and annual subscription as the Board may determine from time to time.
(c) Social members are entitled to:
(i) Attend Annual General Meetings of the Club;
(ii) Vote in the election of the Board conducted at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and in respect of any other matters provided for in the Registered Clubs Act;
(iii) Introduce guests to the Club;
(iv) Enjoy the social privileges of the Club.
(d) Social members are not entitled to:
(i) attend and vote at general meetings of the Club other than in respect of matters set out in Rule 23 c) above;
(ii) nominate for and be elected or appointed to the Board of Directors of the Club;
(iii) propose, second, or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
(iv) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership.
24. Fully Paid Up members shall be those Sailing or Non Sailing Members who have paid a one off subscription for membership (as determined by the board) for the remainder of their life.

## Junior Members

25. (a) Junior members shall be persons under the age of eighteen (18) years who have been elected as Junior members and have paid the entrance fee (if any) and the applicable Club and Sub Club annual subscription fees and shall not be less than that prescribed in the Registered Clubs Act.
(b) A person shall not be admitted as a Junior member of the Club unless the Board has received from that persons parent or guardian, written consent to that person becoming a Junior member of the Club and will be taking part in the sporting activities within a Subsection of the Club;
(c) Subject to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act, a Junior member shall be entitled to the use of such of the facilities of the Club as the Board shall determine from time to time but shall not be entitled to:
(i) take part in the management of the Club;
(ii) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
(iii) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership;
(iv) introduce guests to the Club;

## Life Members

26. (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 26.
(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 Financial Sailing member or Life member and seconded by another Financial Sailing or Life member.
(d) If a nomination for Life membership is approved by the Board by two-thirds (2/3) of those Directors present and voting at two consecutive meetings of 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. The Board is under no obligation to approve any nomination for Life membership.
(e) If a nomination for Life membership is approved by a resolution passed by not less than a threequarters (3/4) majority of the members present and voting at the general 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 Sailing member provided that there will be no restriction on a Life member being elected to the Board of Directors of the Club.
(g) A Life member is relieved from the payment of any annual subscription.
(h) Those members listed as Honorary Life members in the Club's register of members at the date of the special resolution approving this Constitution shall be thereafter referred to as Life members.

## Upgrade of Class Membership

27. The prescribed process for upgrade of Membership shall be:-
(a) Lodgement of the Upgrade of Membership form, duly proposed and seconded by two (2) Active Sailing Members.
(b) Any additional subscription shall be submitted with the application.
(c) The Secretary Manager 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 next board meeting, at which time the board shall vote on whether the upgrade is accepted or rejected.
(d) The application will require approval by the Board by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those Directors present at the meeting.
(e) Upon a member being approved for upgrade in class of membership of the Club, the Secretary Manager shall cause a notice of such upgrade to be promptly forwarded or posted to such member.
(f) If a member fails to be upgraded, the Secretary Manager shall cause any additional subscription paid by that member to be returned to such member.

## Provisional Members

28. A person in respect of whom a nomination form for membership duly completed in accordance with this Constitution has been given to the Club and who has paid to the Club the entrance 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 application for membership of the Club.
29. 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 Manager or should that person'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.
30. (a) Provisional members shall be entitled to:
(i) the social facilities and advantages 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.

## Honorary Members

31. (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 Club's Register of Honorary Members:
(i) the name in full 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

32. 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 as specified in the Registered Clubs Act from the Club, or such other greater distance as may be determined from time to time by the Board by By-law pursuant to this Constitution.
(b) A full 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 full 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.
33. (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 not be permitted to introduce guests into the Club other than a minor in accordance with Rule 50.
(d) The Secretary Manager 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 18 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 32 c).
(f) When a Temporary member (other than a Temporary member admitted pursuant to Rule 32 c) first enters the Club premises on any day the following particulars shall be entered in the Club's Register of Temporary Members:
(i) the name in full of the Temporary member;
(ii) the residential address of the Temporary member;
(iii) the date on which Temporary membership is granted;

## VOTES OF MEMBERS

34. (a) Only financial Sailing \& Non Sailing members shall be entitled to attend and vote at any meeting other than the Annual General Meeting.
(b) Junior members shall not be entitled to attend and/or vote at any Annual General Meeting or general meeting of the Club.
(c) Subject to Rule 98, 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.
(d) No member of the Club who is also an employee of the Club shall be eligible to vote at any meeting of the Club.
(e) No member other than a Life member or Fully Paid up Sailing Member shall be entitled to be present to vote at any meeting of the Club, unless he shall have paid all subscriptions and all other money due to the Club at the time of such meeting.

## ELECTION OF MEMBERS

35. (a) A person shall not be admitted as a Sailing member, Non-Sailing member, Social member or Junior 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. Negative votes at the rate of one in four shall mean that the application is rejected.
(b) The names of the members present and voting at that Board or election committee meeting shall be recorded by the Secretary Manager of the Club.
(c) The Board may reject any application for membership without assigning any reason for such rejection.
36. (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) a statement to the effect that the applicant agrees to be bound by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Club;
(vi) the signature of the applicant and in the case of a Junior member the consent by the persons parent or guardian;
(vii) 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) 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 of that person as appearing in the identification. If the authorised officer is satisfied that the particulars of the applicant in the application and in the form of identification correspond, the authorised officer shall propose the person for membership by signing the application form and shall cause the application to be sent to the Secretary Manager.
(d) A person whose application has been signed by an authorised officer of the Club in accordance with paragraph c) of this Rule 36 and who has paid the Club the entrance fee (if any) and the first annual subscription for the class of membership applied for may 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.
37. (a) Upon a person being elected as a member of the Club the Secretary Manager 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 Manager 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 on request being made to the Secretary Manager of the Club, and if demanded by the Secretary Manager from that member, on payment of any fee that may be prescribed by the Act.

## ENTRANCE FEES, ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND LEVIES

38. (a) 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 that prescribed by the Registered Clubs Act, the Corporations Act, and this Constitution.
(b) The time and manor of payment of subscriptions shall be as determined by the Board from time to time, and in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act, may be paid quarterly, half yearly, yearly in advance, or for more than one year in advance.
39. (a) 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 that prescribed in the Registered Clubs Act.
(b) The Board may at any time suspend the payment of entrance fees either generally or in respect to individual cases and shall have discretionary power to fix and determine or waive the entrance fee chargeable to any member under any special circumstances that may arise.
40. (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 43 and Rule 44 shall not apply to such resolution.
(c) Each year the Secretary Manager shall cause reasonable notice to be given in writing to each member of the due date for payment of the subscription in paragraph (a) of this Rule 40 and of the provisions of paragraph (b) of this Rule 40.
(d) Any person who has been removed from membership of the Club pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Rule 40 may re-apply for membership in accordance with this Constitution.

## REGISTERS OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

41. The Club shall keep the following registers:
(a) A register of persons who are Full members. This register shall set forth in respect of each of those members:
(i) the name in full;
(ii) the occupation;
(iii) the address;
(iv) the date on which the entry of the member's name in the register is made;
(v) 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 as required by the Registered Clubs Act.
(c) A register of persons who are Temporary members other than Temporary members referred to in Rule 32 c) which shall be kept in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act.
(d) A register of persons over the age of 18 years who enter the premises of the Club as guests of members shall be kept as required by the Registered Clubs Act.

## ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS

42. Members must advise the Secretary Manager of the Club of any change in their address within seven days of changing their address as recorded in the register referred to in Rule 41(a).

## DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

43. Subject to Rule 44, the Board shall have power to reprimand, suspend, expel or accept the resignation of any member, if that member:
(a) in the reasonable opinion of the Board, has wilfully refused or neglected 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.
44. (a) A member shall be notified of:
(i) any charge against the member pursuant to Rule 43; and
(b) The member charged shall be notified of the matters in paragraph (a) of this Rule 44 by notice in writing by a prepaid letter posted to the member's last known address at least seven (7) clear days before the meeting of the Board at which the charge is to be heard. The directors shall also be notified of the meeting to consider the charge.
(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 member's 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.
45. If a notice of charge is issued to a member pursuant to Rule 44(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.
46. Any member suspended pursuant to Rules 43,44 or 45 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;
(b) participate in any of the social or sporting activities of the Club or any sub club;
(c) attend or vote at any meeting of the Club;
(d) nominate or be elected or appointed to the Board or to the governing body of any sub club;
(e) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for any office of the Club;
(f) propose, second or nominate any eligible member for Life membership.

## REMOVAL OF PERSONS FROM THE PREMISES OF THE CLUB

47. (a) In addition to any powers under the Registered Clubs Act, the Secretary Manager or, subject to paragraph (c) of this Rule 47, 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 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 Manager liable to a penalty under the Registered Clubs 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 smoke-free.
(vi) who uses, or has in his or her possession, while on the premises of the Club any substance that the Secretary Manager suspects of being a prohibited drug or prohibited plant.
(vii) whom the Club, under the conditions of its certificate of registration, or a term of a liquor accord, is authorised or required to refuse access to the Club.
(b) If pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Rule 47 a person (including a member) has been refused admission to, or has been turned out of, the premises of the Club, the Secretary Manager of the Club or (subject to paragraph (c) of this Rule 47) 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 the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act the employees who under this Constitution are entitled to exercise the powers set out in this Rule shall be:
(i) in the absence of the Secretary Manager from the premises of the Club the senior employee then on duty; or
(ii) any employee authorised in writing by the Secretary Manager to exercise such power.

## RESIGNATION AND CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

48. (a) A member may at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary Manager 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 Manager and he or she shall continue to be liable for any subscription and all arrears due but unpaid at the date of his resignation.
(b) Any member who has resigned pursuant to this Rule 48 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.
(c) Should a member incur any debt to the Club or to the Club's staff or persons under contract to the Club and fail to discharge such debt upon request in writing by the Secretary Manager he may, by resolution of a meeting of the Board, be suspended or expelled from membership, provided that before doing so, the Board shall give the member concerned due notice of its intention to take such course, but the provisions of Rule 43 to 45 shall not apply.

## GUESTS

49. (a) All members except Honorary \& Junior members shall have the privilege of introducing guests to the Club. However, a Temporary member may only introduce a guest in accordance with Rule 50.
(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-law 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 44 or suspended pursuant to Rule 45 or who has been refused admission to or turned out of the Club pursuant to Rule 47.
(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-laws 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 Manager 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.
50. A Temporary member may bring into the non-restricted areas of 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.
51. For the purposes of Rule 50 c) "responsible adult" means a person of or over the age of 18 years who, in relation to a minor, belongs to one or more of the following classes of persons:
(a) a parent, step-parent or guardian of the minor;
(b) the minor's spouse or any person who, although not legally married to the minor, ordinarily lives with the minor as the minor's spouse on a permanent and domestic basis;
(c) a person who for the time being has parental responsibility for the minor.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

52. (a) The Board shall consist of a President, Vice President, Commodore, Treasurer, Club Captain, and four (4) Ordinary directors.
(b) The Board shall be elected triennially in accordance with Rule 55 and Schedule 4 of the Registered Clubs Act ("the Triennial Rule") with the first meeting under the Triennial Rule being the Annual General Meeting held in 2015
(c) For the purposes of the Triennial Rule, the following Schedule applies:

## SCHEDULE

## Definitions

1. In this Schedule -
"general meeting" means a meeting of the members of the club at which members of the governing body are to be elected;
"year" means the period between successive general meetings.

## Groups

2. For the purposes of the Triennial Rule, the following groups apply:
(a) Group 1 - shall be comprised of the Treasurer and two (2) ordinary directors;
(b) Group 2 - shall be comprised of the Commodore, Vice President and one (1) ordinary director;
(c) Group 3 - shall be comprised of the President, Club Captain and one (1) ordinary director.
3. Unless otherwise disqualified, in accordance with the requirements of the Triennial Rule, the members of the governing body -
(a) in Group 1 shall hold office for 1 year (to be elected in 2016 and every third year thereafter);
(b) in Group 2 shall hold office for 2 years (to be elected in 2017 and every third year thereafter );
(c) in Group 3 shall hold office for 3 years (to be elected in 2018 and every third year thereafter).

## Subsequent General Meetings

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

## Casual Vacancies

5. (a) A person who fills a casual vacancy in the office of a member of the governing body elected in accordance with this Schedule shall, unless otherwise disqualified, hold office until the next succeeding general meeting.
(b) The vacancy caused at a general meeting by a person ceasing to hold office under subclause (a) 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.

## Re-election

6. A person whose term of office as a member of the governing body under the Triennial Rule expires is not for that reason ineligible for election for a further term.

## Revocation of Triennial Rule

7. If the Triennial Rule is revoked -
(a) at a general meeting - all the members of the governing body cease to hold office; or
(b) at a meeting other than a general meeting - all the members 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 members of the governing body.
8. Subject to Rule 54, only Life members and the financial Sailing members shall be entitled to stand for and be elected or appointed to the Board.
9. A member who is an employee or who is currently under suspension pursuant to Rules 43,44 or 45 shall not be eligible to stand for or be elected to the Board.

## ELECTION OF BOARD

55. References to the election of the Board in this Rule 55 refer to the positions on the Board to be elected in any one (1) year in accordance with the Triennial Rule set out in Rules 52(b) and (c). The election of the Board shall be conducted in the following manner:
(a) The Board shall appoint a Returning Officer and at least two scrutineers to take charge of the ballot. A candidate for any position shall not be appointed as the Returning Officer or as a scrutineer.
(b) Notice of the date and time of the last day for receiving nominations for office in accordance with paragraph (c) of this Rule 55, shall be prominently posted on the Club Notice Board at least twentyone (21) days prior to the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting and shall remain on the Club Notice Board until nominations close.
(c) Nominations shall close at 10:00am EST on the Friday immediately preceding the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting and must be delivered to the Secretary Manager on or before that date.
(d) Nominations for election to the Board shall be made in writing and signed by two Life members or Sailing members and by the nominee who shall thereby signify his or her consent to the nomination.
(e) Any candidate who seeks to withdraw their nomination may only do so prior to nominations closing and only if addressed to and delivered to the Secretary Manager.
(f) An eligible member may be nominated for more than one office.
(g) The Secretary Manager shall post the name of the candidate and his or her proposers on the Club Notice Board.
(h) If the full number of candidates for the various positions on the Board is less than that nominated, then those candidates who are nominated shall be declared elected to the relevant positions and
additional nominations shall with the consent of the nominee or nominees be made at the meeting for the position not so filled.
(i) If there be only the requisite number nominated for the various positions those candidates shall be declared duly elected.
(j) If there be more than the required number nominated for any position an election by secret ballot shall take place in respect of that position.
(k) If a member who has been nominated for more than one office is elected to a senior office, the member shall be eliminated from the election for the junior office. For the purposes of this Rule 55 the order of seniority of shall be:

| (i) | Firstly | - | President |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (ii) | Secondly | - | Vice President |
| (iii) | Thirdly | - | Commodore |
| (iv) | Fourthly | - | Treasurer |
| (v) | Fifthly | - | Club Captain |
| (vi) | Sixthly | - | Ordinary Director |

The result of each election shall be announced at the Annual General Meeting before any other election is proceeded with.
(I) The Returning Officer shall supervise the preparation of ballot papers.
(m) The order in which names appear on the ballot paper shall be determined by lot.
( n ) The ballot shall be conducted during such times as shall be determined by the Board from time to time.
(o) The Returning Officer shall supervise the issue of ballot papers.
(p) Members shall record their vote in such manner as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time. Failure to comply with those requirements shall render the vote invalid.
(q) Members shall place their ballot papers in the ballot box provided at the Club.
(r) The Returning Officer shall supervise the safe custody of ballot papers returned.
(s) The Returning Officer shall supervise the examination of ballot papers.
( t ) The decision of the Returning Officer as to the formality or informality of any vote shall be final.
(u) The Returning Officer shall supervise the counting of votes.
(v) In the event of an equality of votes, the Chairperson of the meeting shall draw lots between the candidates and the candidate who is drawn first shall be declared elected to that position.
(w) The Returning Officer shall report the result of the ballot to the meeting.
(x) If the Returning Officer is not present, a Scrutineer shall perform the duties of the returning Officer set out in this Rule 55.
(y) The Board may, at any time, engage the services of a professional electoral consultant or company to perform, or assist in performing, any or all of the duties of the Returning Officer or Scrutineers set out in this Rule 55.
(z) If at the close of the Annual General Meeting any vacancies remain, such vacancies shall be casual vacancies and may be filled in accordance with Rule 83
(aa) The Board shall have the power to make by-laws regulating all matters in connection with the election of the Board that are not inconsistent with this Rule 55.

## POWERS OF THE BOARD

56. The Board shall be responsible for the management of the business and affairs of the Club.

## GENERAL POWERS

57. 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

58. Without derogating from the general powers conferred by Rule 57, the Board shall have power from time to time:
(a) To make, alter and repeal By-Laws pursuant to Rule 61.
(b) To enforce or procure the enforcement of all By-Laws by suspension from enjoyment of the Club privileges 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 fulfilment 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 Club's 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 Club's property both present and future.
(i) To sell, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of any furniture, fittings, equipment, plant, goods, land, buildings or other property rights belonging to the Club or to which the Club may be entitled from time to time provided that the power of the Board to dispose of any land (including a sale, a lease or licence for more than three (3) years (including an option) the granting of an option to buy or the termination of a lease or licence) shall be subject to the requirements of the Registered Clubs Act and Regulations.
(j) To appoint, discharge and arrange the duties and powers of the Secretary Manager, to determine the remuneration and terms of employment of the Secretary Manager, and to specify and define the duties of the Secretary Manager.
(k) 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 any or all of these powers to the Secretary Manager of the Club from time to time.
(I) To set the entrance fees and annual or other subscriptions and fees payable by all members.
(m) To fix the maximum number of persons who may be admitted to each class of membership of the Club in accordance with this Constitution.
(n) 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.
(0) To impose any restrictions or limitations on the rights and privileges of members including Honorary members or Temporary members and also in relation to Guests visiting the Club relating to the use by them of the Club's premises and/or any amenity or facility therein contained or relating to their conduct, behaviour, clothing or dress whilst on the premises of the Club.
(p) To invest and deal with any of the money of the Club not immediately required for the purpose thereof, upon such securities and in such manner as may be deemed fit, and from time to time to vary and realise such investments.
(q) To make, draw, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, warrants, debentures and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
(r) To borrow money from time to time and for such purposes to give debentures, liens, mortgages, charges or other security over the whole or any part of the property real or personal of the Club.

## COMMITTEES

59. (a) Without derogating from the general powers conferred by Rule 57, 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 an ex officio 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 59 or by any by-law made by the Board pursuant to this Rule 59.
(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

60. (a) Without derogating from the general powers conferred by Rule 57, the Board shall have power from time to time to:
(i) Establish sub clubs with such objects, powers and membership qualifications as the Board may determine from time to time.
(ii) Allow each of the sub clubs established pursuant to this Rule 60 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 sub clubs to create rules and by-laws for the control and regulation of the sporting and social activities of such sub clubs.
(iv) Permit any such sub club to adopt a name distinctive of such sub club (provided it be described as a sub 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 sub clubs established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Rule 60 or those already in existence must conform to any by-law made by the Board pursuant to Rule 61.
(i) The President shall be an ex officio member of all the committees of such sub clubs and may nominate a director to represent him or her on the committees of such sub clubs.
(ii) Subject to the general control and supervision of the Board, each such sub club may 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 sub club and its governing body shall also be produced promptly to the Board which shall review and preserve such minutes and records.
(iii) The Board may empower each such sub club to open and operate a bank account in the name of the sub club 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 any or all such persons.
(iv) Subject as hereinafter provided, the constitutions of each such sub club may be amended from time to time by a majority of the members for the time being of such sub 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 sub club shall have effect unless and until it shall have been approved by resolution of the Board. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.
(v) Any disciplinary action by a sub club in respect of any member of such sub 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

61. (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 61, the Board may regulate:
(i) such matters as the Board would regulate by By-law, are specifically empowered by this Constitution 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; and
(vii) generally, all such matters as are commonly the subject matter of the Constitution or Bylaws, or which by the Constitution, are not reserved for decision by the Club in general meeting.
(c) Any By-law made under this Rule 61 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 Club Notice Board.
(d) Neither the revocation or disallowance by the Club in general meeting by any by-law, rule or regulation or the knowledge that it might take place, nor its amendment or rescission by the Board, shall invalidate any act by the Board or by any officer or employee of the Club prior to such amendment or rescission.
(e) 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

62. 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 at least once in each calendar month for the transaction of business.
63. 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.
64. 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 with the Secretary Manager taking the Chair in order to conduct the vote but not having the right to vote.
65. (a) The quorum for meetings of the Board requires a simple majority of the total number of directors to be present.
(b) If a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes of the time fixed for the meeting it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes from the time appointed for the meeting, the members present shall be a quorum.
66. The President and the Secretary Manager may at any time upon the request of not less than two (2) directors convene a meeting of the Board.
67. 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.
68. 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.
69. 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.
70. 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.
71. A meeting of the Board may be called or held using any technology consented to by all the directors. The consent may be a standing one. A director may only withdraw his or her consent within a reasonable period before the meeting.

## DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY DIRECTORS

72. (a) 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 and in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act:
(i) declare the nature of the interest at a meeting of the Board; and
(ii) comply with Rule 77.
(b) Any director who has or acquires a financial interest in respect of a hotel must in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act give a written declaration of that interest to the Secretary Manager of the Club within fourteen (14) days.
(c) A director must, in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act, declare any gift received from an affiliated body (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) if the value of the gift exceeds such amount as may be prescribed by the Regulations under the Registered Clubs Act.
(d) A director must, in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act, submit a written return in each year to the Club (in accordance with the Regulations under the Registered Clubs Act) declaring gifts received by that director from a person or organisation that is party to a contract or commercial arrangement with the Club.

## REGISTER OF INTERESTS

73. The Secretary Manager shall, in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act, keep a register of disclosures, declarations and returns made to the Club pursuant to Rule 72 and pursuant to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act.

## EXHIBITION OF INTERESTS ON CLUB PREMISES

74. Where a director of the Club makes a declaration of a material personal interest pursuant to Rule 72(a) then, in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act, particulars of the declaration (including the name of the director who made the declaration and the nature of the interest declared) shall be exhibited:
(a) on the Club Notice Board within 48 hours of the declaration being made; and
(b) for a continuous period of not less than 14 days.
75. Within 1 month after each Annual General Meeting, the Club shall lodge with the Secretary of the Liquor Administration Board a copy of all particulars required to be exhibited pursuant to Rule 74 during the period between that Annual General Meeting and the previous Annual General Meeting.
76. Rule 72 to 74 inclusive do not limit the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act referred to in those Rules.

## PROHIBITION ON DIRECTORS WITH MATERIAL INTEREST FROM VOTING

77. In accordance with 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.
78. The Board shall not pass a resolution for the purposes of Section 195(2) of the Act exempting a director from the provisions of Rule 77.

## CONTRACTS WITH DIRECTORS

79. (a) In accordance with the Registered Clubs Act, the Club must not enter into a commercial arrangement or a contract with a Director or with a company or other body in which a Director has a pecuniary interest, unless the proposed commercial arrangement or contract is first approved by the Board.
(b) A "pecuniary interest" in a company for the purposes of paragraph (a) of this Rule 79 does not include any interest exempted by Regulation made under the Registered Clubs Act.
(c) Provided that the provisions of Rule 72(a), Rule 77 and paragraph (a) of this Rule 76 have been satisfied with respect to a commercial arrangement or a contract:
(i) the director shall not be disqualified from office by reason of his or her interest in that commercial arrangement or contract.
(ii) the commercial arrangement or a contract shall not, by reason of that directors interest, be avoided.
(iii) the director shall not be liable to account to the Club for any profit realised by that commercial arrangement or contract.

## CONTRACTS WITH SECRETARY MANAGER

80. (a) Subject to paragraph (b) of this Rule 80, the Club must not enter into a commercial arrangement or contract for the provision of goods or services with:
(i) the Secretary Manager;
(ii) any close relative (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) of the Secretary Manager; or
(iii) any company or other body in which the Secretary Manager or a close relative of the Secretary Manager has a controlling interest (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act).
(b) Paragraph (a) of this Rule 80 does not prevent the Club entering into a contract with any of the above persons which is:
(i) a contract of employment; or
(ii) otherwise permitted by the Registered Clubs Act.

## REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF DIRECTORS

81. (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 81 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.

## VACANCIES ON BOARD

82. The office of a member of the Board shall automatically be vacated if the person holding that office:
(a) becomes insolvent under administration.
(b) is convicted of any offence referred to in Section 206B of the Act.
(c) 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.
(d) is absent from meetings of the Board for a continuous period of three months without leave of absence from the Board and the Board resolves that the office be vacated.
(e) by notice in writing given to the Secretary Manager resigns from office as a director.
(f) 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.
(g) ceases to be a member of the Club.
(h) becomes an employee of the Club.
83. 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 in accordance with the Triennial Rule referred to in Rules 52(b) and (c).

## GENERAL MEETINGS

84. A general meeting called the Annual General Meeting shall be held at least once 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.
85. (a) The President or the Board may, whenever they consider fit, call and arrange to hold a general meeting of the Club.
(b) The Board must call and arrange to hold a general meeting of the Club on the request of: i) members with at least $5 \%$ of the votes that may be cast at the general meeting; or ii) at least 30 members who are entitled to vote at the general meeting.

In this Rule 85 the term "the request" shall mean the request referred to in this paragraph (b).
(c) The request must:
(i) be in writing;
(ii) state any resolution to be proposed at the meeting;
(iii) be signed by the members making the request; and
(iv) be given to the Secretary Manager.
(d) 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) The Board must call the meeting within 21 days after the request is given to the Secretary Manager. The meeting is to be held not later than 2 months after the request is given to the Secretary Manager.
(f) Members with more than $50 \%$ 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 21 days after the request is given to the Secretary Manager.

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(g) The meeting referred to in paragraph (f) of this Rule 85 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 months after the request is given to the Club.
(h) To call the meeting the members requesting the meeting may ask the Secretary Manager for a copy of the Register of Members and the Secretary Manager must give the members the copy of the Register without charge.
(i) 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 85. 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.
86. (a) At least 21 days' notice in writing of the Annual General Meeting and of any general meeting of the members of the Club must be given to all Full members who are entitled to attend and vote at that meeting and to the auditor.
(b) A notice of a general meeting of the Club's members must:
(i) set out the place, date and time of the meeting;
(ii) state the general nature of the 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) 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.
(d) 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.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

87. 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 103;
(c) to declare the results of the election of directors to the vacancies on the Board caused by the operation of the Triennial Rule referred to in Rules 52(b) and (c);
(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); and
(f) to deal with any other business of which due notice has been given to the members.
88. (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 Club's auditor or a representative of the Club's 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 auditor's representative questions relevant to the conduct of the audit and the preparation and conduct of the auditor's report.

## MEMBERS' RESOLUTIONS

89. (a) Notwithstanding Rules 90, 91 and 92, 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 Manager at least forty-two (42) days prior to the date fixed for such Annual General Meeting.
(b) The Secretary Manager shall cause all items of business and notices of motion referred to in paragraph (a) to be presented to the Board.
90. (a) The following members may give the Secretary Manager notice of a resolution that they propose to move at a general meeting:
(i) members with at least $5 \%$ of the votes that may be cast on the resolution; or
(ii) at least 100 members who are entitled to vote at a general meeting.
(b) The notice must:
(i) be in writing;
(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 Manager.
91. (a) If the Secretary Manager has been given notice of a resolution under Rule 90, the resolution is to be considered at the next general meeting that occurs more than 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' 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
(ii) if it is defamatory; or
(iii) 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 will be incurred in giving the notice.
92. (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 $5 \%$ of the votes that may be cast on the resolution; or
(ii) at least 100 members who are entitled to vote at the meeting.
(c) The request must be:
(i) in writing;
(ii) signed by the members making the request; and
(iii) given to the Secretary Manager.
(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 Manager.
(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 Manager 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
(ii) if it is defamatory; or
(iii) 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 will be incurred in making the request.
93. A general meeting of the members of the Club must be held for a proper purpose.

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

94. (a) The 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.
(c) 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.
(d) 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

95. 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 unvilling or unable to act then the Vice President shall preside as chairperson of the meeting. If the Vice President is not present within thirty (30) minutes or is unwilling or unable to act then the members of the Club present shall elect a member of the Board or one of their number to preside as chairperson of the meeting.
96. (a) No business shall be transacted at any general meeting of members unless a quorum of members is present.
(b) At any general meeting of the Club (including an Annual General Meeting), convened by the President or the Board, twenty (20) members eligible to vote must be present to form a quorum.
(c) At any general meeting convened at the request of members pursuant to Rule 85, thirty five (35) members present in person and eligible to vote shall be a quorum.
(d) If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting shall:
(i) be dissolved if it was convened at the request of members pursuant to Rule 85; 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.
(e) If at any meeting adjourned pursuant to this Rule 96 a quorum is not present, the members present shall be a quorum and may transact any business for which the meeting was called.
97. (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 (unless a poll is demanded by five (5) members or by the chairperson) and in the case of an equality of votes whether on a show of hands 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.

## PROXY VOTING PROHIBITED

98. 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

99. (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

100. (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; and
(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

101. The Board shall:
(a) 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;
(b) cause to be prepared and submitted to a meeting of the Board at intervals of not more than three (3) months a statement of income and expenditure in relation to each aspect of the Club's activities in accordance with the Registered Clubs Act;
(c) within forty eight (48) hours after the meeting of the Board of the Club to which any such statement is submitted, cause a copy of that statement and of any resolution passed by the Board of the Club in relation to that statement to be exhibited in a conspicuous position on the premises of the Club; and
(d) cause the copy of that statement and that resolution, if any, to be so exhibited for a continuous period of not less than twenty eight (28) days.
102. 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.
103. (a) (i) The Board shall, not less than twenty 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 the Act.
(ii) 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 April immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting:
(1) The financial report of the Club;
(2) the directors report; and
(3) the auditors' report on the financial report.
(b) A member may request the Club:
(i) not to send them the material required by Section 314 of the Act or by this Rule 103; or
(ii) to send them a full financial report and the directors' report and auditor's report.

A request may be a standing request or for a particular financial year. The member is not entitled to a report for a financial year earlier than the one before the financial year in which the request is made.
(c) The time for complying with a request under paragraph (c) of this Rule 103 is:
(i) 7 days after the request is received; or
(ii) the deadline for reporting referred to in paragraph (a) of this Rule 103.
104. Deleted

## FINANCIAL YEAR

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

## AUDITORS

106. Auditors shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with the Act and their remuneration shall be fixed by the Board.

## SECRETARY MANAGER

107. At any time there shall only be one Secretary Manager 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

108. The Club, its Board and its employees must execute all documents in accordance with the current rules of law. The Club may execute a document (including a deed) if that document is signed by:
(a) two members of the Board; or
(b) one member of the Board and the Secretary Manager.

## NOTICES

109. A notice may be given by the Club to any member either personally or by sending it by post to the address of the member recorded for that member in the Register of members kept pursuant to this Constitution.
110. Where a notice is sent by post to a member in accordance with Rule 109, 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.

## INDEMNITY TO OFFICERS

111. 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.
112. 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 cannot be paid under the Act or a liability which contravenes Section 199A or Section 199B of the Act.

## INTERPRETATION

113. 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 there from, shall be conclusive and binding on all members of the Club.
114. Members in general meeting may appoint one or more patrons from time to time and any patron will (if not a member of the Club) thereby be deemed to be an Honorary member of the Club provided that if the new patron is an existing Full member of the Club he shall also be entitled to exercise all the privileges and advantages of such membership.

## AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

115. This Constitution can only be amended by way of Special Resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the Club.
116. Any Special Resolution must not be inconsistent with the Primary Objective of the Club in Rule 6.
(a) If, by a resolution passed by a majority of not less than seven (7) of the nine (9) members of the Board at a duly constituted Board meeting, the Board determines that a Special Resolution is inconsistent with the Primary Objective of the Club in Rule 6, the Board shall forthwith obtain written advice from an appropriately qualified legal practitioner (holding a current practicing certificate under the NSW Legal Profession Act) as to whether or not this determination is correct.
(b) If the legal practitioner referred to in Rule 116 a) has advised that the determination of the Board is correct, the Board shall give a copy of the minute of the Board's determination and the advice from the legal practitioner to three Life members nominated by the Board.
(c) The three Life members nominated by the Board shall, as soon as practicable, meet and, if at that meeting they unanimously agree that the Special Resolution shall not have any force or effect, they shall immediately sign a memorandum in writing to that effect and shall give it to the Secretary Manager.
(d) Upon receipt of the memorandum referred to in Rule 116(c), the Secretary Manager shall immediately place a copy on the Club Notice Board and, by such action, the Special Resolution shall cease to have any force or effect.
117. The full names, addresses and occupations of the subscribers to the original Memorandum of Association dated 16th day of October 1968 are as follows:

Name<br>William Victor Cooke<br>Kevin Ernest Manning<br>George Charles Fewtrell<br>Leonard Laurence Walpole<br>Temple Bayliss Keily<br>William Roy Bowry<br>James Meikle Bruce

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## Occupation

School Teacher

Retailer
Orchardist
School Teacher
Agricultural Scientist
Deputy County Clerk
Sales Representative

