



# **BURLEIGH POINT OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB INCORPORATED**

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## NAME

1. The name of the incorporated Club shall be:- **BURLEIGHPOINTOUTRIGGERCANOE CLUBINCORPORATED** (in these rules called "the Club")

## OBJECTS

2. The objects for which the Club is established are –
  - (a) To participate in the sport of Outrigger Canoe Racing in local, national and international events.
  - (b) To promote the teaching, training, instruction and exposure of children, men and women to the ancient art, craft and history of Hawaiian Canoeing.

## 3. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply in these Rules of Incorporation and By-Laws:-

Burleigh Point Outrigger Canoe Club Incorporated shall hereinafter be called the "Club",  
Australian Outrigger Canoe Racing Association Incorporated shall hereinafter be called "AOCRA".  
The Management Committee of the Club hereinafter called the "Committee".  
Management Committee Meeting hereinafter called a "Meeting".

## 4. POWERS

- (1) The Club may take over the funds and other assets and liabilities of the present unincorporated Club known as the ' Burleigh Point Outrigger Canoe Club';
- (2) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with any other association, Club or organisation, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Club provided that the Club shall not subscribe to or support with its funds any Club, association or organisation which does not prohibit the distribution of its income and property among its Members to an extent at least as great as that imposed on the Association under or by virtue of Rule 32 (11);
- (3) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to buy, sell and deal in all kinds or articles, commodities and provisions, both liquid and solid, for the Members of the Club or persons frequenting the Club's premises;
- (4) To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire and otherwise acquire any land, buildings, easements or property, real and personal, and any rights or privileges which may be requisite for the purposes of, or capable of being conveniently used in connection with, any of the objects of the Club: Provided that in case the Club shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trusts the Club shall only deal with the same in such manner as is allowed by law having

regard to such trusts:

- (5) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or authority that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Club; to obtain from any such Government or authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the Club may think it desirable to obtain: to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions;
- (6) To appoint, employ, remove or suspend such managers, clerks, secretaries, servants, and other persons as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Club;
- (7) To remunerate any person or body corporate for services rendered, or to be rendered, and whether by way of brokerage or otherwise in placing or assisting to place or guaranteeing the placing of any unsecured notes, debentures or other securities of the incorporated Club, or in or about the incorporated association or promotion of the incorporated Club or in the furtherance of its objects;
- (8) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work manage, carry out, alter or control any houses, buildings, grounds, works or conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advance the Club's interests, and to contribute to, subsidies or otherwise assist and take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out, alteration or control thereof;
- (9) To invest and deal with the money of the Club not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be thought fit;
- (10) To take, or otherwise acquire, and hold shares, debentures or other securities of any company or body corporate;
- (11) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to lend and advance money or give credit to any person or body corporate; to guarantee and give guarantees or indemnities for the payment of money or the performance of contracts or obligations by any person or body corporate, and otherwise to assist any person or body corporate;
- (12) To borrow or raise money either alone or jointly with any other person or legal entity in such manner as may be thought proper and whether upon fluctuating advance account or overdraft or otherwise to represent or secure any moneys and further advances borrowed or to be borrowed alone or with others as aforesaid by notes secured or unsecured, debentures or debenture stock perpetual or otherwise, or by mortgage, charge, lien or other security upon the whole or any part of the incorporated Club's property or assets present or future and to purchase, redeem or pay-off any such securities;
- (13) To draw, make accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading and other negotiable or transferable instruments:

- (14) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Club;
- (15) To take or hold mortgages, liens or charges, to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Club's property of whatsoever kind sold by the Club, or any money due to the Club from purchasers and others;
- (16) To take any gift of property whether subject to any special trust or not, for any one or more of the objects of the Club but subject always to the proviso in sub-rule (4):
- (17) To take such steps by personal or written appeals, public meetings or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Club, in the shape of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise;
- (18) To print and publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Club may think desirable for the promotion of its objects;
- (19) In the furtherance of the objects of the Club to amalgamate with any one or more incorporated associations having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the 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 that imposed upon the Club under or by virtue of Rule 35 (2);
- (20) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any one or more of the incorporated associations with which the Club is authorised to amalgamate;
- (21) In furtherance of the objects of the Club to transfer all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of the Club to any one or more of the incorporated associations with which the Club is authorised to amalgamate;
- (22) To make donations for patriotic, charitable or community purposes;
- (23) To transact any lawful business in aid of the Commonwealth of Australia in the prosecution of any war in which the Commonwealth of Australia is engaged;
- (24) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Club.

## **CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP**

5. (1) The Membership of the Club shall consist of the following classes of Members:

- (a) Ordinary Members
  - (b) Junior Members
  - (c) Life Members
  - (d) Honorary Members
  - (e) Associate Members
- (2) The number of Ordinary, Junior, Life and Honorary Members shall be unlimited. The number of Associate Members shall not comprise more than one-fifth (1/5) the total Membership of the Club.

## **6. MEMBERSHIP**

- (1) Every person who at the date of incorporation of the Club was a member of the unincorporated Club and who on or before **first day of April, 1999** agrees in writing to become a member of the Club shall be admitted by the Management Committee to the same class of Membership of the Club as that member held in the unincorporated Club.
- (2) Every member of the Club who previously to agreeing to become a member of the Club has paid the member's subscription on or before the **first day of April, 1999**, as a member of the unincorporated Club, shall not be liable to pay any further sum by way of annual subscription to the Club for the period before the date fixed by the Management Committee as the date the next annual subscription becomes due.
- (3) Every applicant for any class of Membership of the Club (other than the Members of the unincorporated Club referred to in sub-rule (1)) shall be proposed by 1 member of the Club and seconded by another member.
- (4) The application for Membership shall be made in writing, signed by the applicant and the applicant's proposer and seconder and shall be in such form as the Management Committee from time to time prescribes.

## **7. MEMBERSHIP FEES**

- (1) The Membership fees for each class of Membership shall be such sum, as the Members shall from time to time at any General Meeting so determine.
- (2) The Membership fees for each class of Membership shall be payable at such time and in such manner as the Management Committee shall from time to time determine.
- (3) Life Members of the Club shall not be required to pay any Membership Fee or other Club levy in perpetuity.

## **8. ADMISSION AND REJECTION OF MEMBERS**

- (1) At the next meeting of the Management Committee after the receipt of any application and the fee applicable for any class of Membership, such application shall be considered by the Management Committee, who shall thereupon determine upon the admission or rejection of the applicant.
- (2) Any applicant who receives a majority of the votes of the Members of the Management Committee present at the meeting at which such application is being considered shall be accepted as a member to the class of Membership applied for.
- (3) Upon the acceptance or rejection of an application for any class of Membership the Secretary shall forthwith give the applicant notice in writing of such acceptance or rejection.

## **9. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

- (1) A member may resign from the Club at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary.
- (2) Such resignation shall take effect at the time such notice is received by the Secretary unless a later date is specified in the notice when it shall take effect on that later date.
- (3) If a member -
  - (a) is convicted of an indictable offence; or
  - (b) fails to comply with any of the provisions of these rules; or
  - (c) has Membership fees in arrears for a period of 2 months or more; or
  - (d) conducts himself or herself in a manner considered to be injurious or prejudicial to the character or interests of the Club, the Management Committee shall consider whether the member's Membership shall be terminated.
- (4) The member concerned shall be given a full and fair opportunity of presenting the member's case and if the Management Committee resolves to terminate the Membership it shall instruct the Secretary to advise the member in writing accordingly.

## **10. APPEAL AGAINST REJECTION OR TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

- (1) A person whose application for Membership has been rejected or whose Membership has been terminated may within 1 month of receiving written notification thereof, lodge with the Secretary written notice of the person's intention to appeal against the decision of the Management Committee.

- (2) Upon receipt of a notification of intention to appeal against rejection or termination of Membership the Secretary shall convene, within 3 months of the date of receipt by the Secretary of such notice, a General Meeting to determine the appeal.
- (3) At any such meeting the applicant shall be given the opportunity to fully present the applicant's case and the Management Committee or those Members thereof who rejected the application for Membership or terminated the Membership subsequently shall likewise have the opportunity of presenting its or their case.
- (4) The appeal shall be determined by the vote of the Members present at such meeting.
- (5) Where a person, whose application is rejected, does not appeal against the decision of the Management Committee within the time prescribed by these rules or so appeals but the appeal is unsuccessful, the Secretary shall forthwith refund the amount of any fee paid.

## **11. REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

- (1) The Management Committee shall cause a register to be kept in which shall be entered the names and residential addresses of all person admitted to Membership of the Club and the dates of their admission.
- (2) Particulars shall also be entered into the register of deaths, resignations, terminations and reinstatement of Membership and any further particulars as the Management Committee or the Members at any General Meeting may require from time to time.
- (3) The register shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times by any member who previously applies to the Secretary for such inspection.

## **12. SECRETARY**

- (1) If a vacancy happens in the office of Secretary, the Members of the Management Committee must appoint or elect a Secretary within 14 days after the vacancy happens.
- (2) The Secretary must be an individual residing in the State who is -
  - (a) A member of the Club elected by the Club as Secretary; or
  - (b) A member of the Club's Management Committee appointed by the Committee as Secretary; or
  - (c) Appointed by the Management Committee as Secretary (whether or not the individual is a member of the Club).
- (3) The Management Committee may appoint and remove the Secretary at any time.



### **13. MEMBERSHIP OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- (1) The Management Committee of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Club Captain, all of whom shall be Members of the Club, and such number of other Members as the Members of the Club at any General Meeting may from time to time elect or appoint.
- (2) At the Annual General Meeting of the Club, all the Members of the Management Committee for the time being shall retire from office, but shall be eligible upon nomination for re-election.
- (3) The election of officers and other Members of the Management Committee shall take place in the following manner -
  - (a) Any 2 eligible Members of the Club shall be at liberty to nominate any other member to serve as an officer or other member of the Management Committee;
  - (b) The nomination, which shall be in writing and signed by the member and the member's proposer and seconder, shall be lodged with the Secretary at least 14 days before the Annual General Meeting at which the election is to take place;
  - (c) A list of the candidates' names in alphabetical order, with the proposers' and seconders' names, shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the office or usual place of meeting of the Club for at least 7 days immediately preceding the Annual General Meeting;
  - (d) Balloting lists shall be prepared (if necessary) containing the names of the candidates in alphabetical order, and each member present at the Annual General Meeting shall be entitled to vote for any number of such candidates not exceeding the number of vacancies;
  - (e) Should, at the commencement of such meeting, there be an insufficient number of candidates nominated, nominations may be taken from the floor of the meeting.

### **14. RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF MEMBER OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- (1) Any member of the Management Committee may resign from Membership of the Management Committee at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary but such resignation shall take effect at the time such notice is received by the Secretary unless a later date is specified in the notice when it shall take effect on that later date or such member may be removed from office at a General Meeting of the Club where that member shall be given the opportunity to fully present the member's case.
- (2) The question of removal shall be determined by the vote of the Members present at such a General Meeting.
- (3) ~~There is no right of appeal against a member's removal from office under this section.~~

- (4) Should a member of the Committee miss three (3) consecutive meetings, his /her position may be declared vacant.

## **15. VACANCIES ON MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- (1) The Management Committee shall have power at any time to appoint any member of the Club to fill any casual vacancy on the Management Committee until the next Annual General Meeting.
- (2) The continuing Members of the Management Committee may act notwithstanding any casual vacancy in the Management Committee, but if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by or pursuant to these rules as the necessary quorum of the Management Committee, the continuing member or Members may act for the purpose of increasing the number of Members of the Management Committee to that number or of summoning a General Meeting of the Club, but for no other purpose.

## **16. FUNCTIONS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- (1) Except as otherwise provided by these rules and subject to resolutions of the Members of the Club carried at any General Meeting the Management Committee -
  - (a) Shall have the general control and management of the administration of the affairs, property and funds of the Club; and
  - (b) Shall have authority to interpret the meaning of these rules and any matter relating to the Club on which these rules are silent.
  - (c) In the event of a tied vote at a General Meeting the President shall have a deciding vote.
- (2) The Management Committee may exercise all the powers of the Club -
  - (a) To borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Members of the Club may think fit and secure the same or the payment or performance of any debt, liability, contract, guarantee or other engagement incurred or to be entered into by the Club in any way and in particular by the issue of debentures, perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the Club's property, both present and future, and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities;
  - (b) To borrow amounts from Members and to pay interest on the amounts borrowed and to mortgage or charge its property or any part thereof and to issue debentures and other securities, whether outright or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Club, and to provide and pay off any such securities; and

- (c) To invest in such manner as the Members of the Club may from time to time determine.
- (3) For sub-section (2)(b) the rate of interest must not be more than the rate for the time being charged for overdrawn accounts for money lent (whatever the term of the loan) by -
  - (a) The financial institution for the Club; or
  - (b) If there is more than 1 financial institution for the Club - the financial institution nominated by the Club.

## **17. MEETINGS OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- (1) The Management Committee shall meet at least once every 2 calendar months to exercise its functions.
- (2) The Management Committee must decide how a meeting is to be called.
- (3) Notice of a meeting is to be given in the way decided by the Management Committee.
- (4) A special meeting of the Management Committee shall be convened by the Secretary on the requisition in writing signed by not less than one-third of the Members of the Management Committee, which requisition shall clearly state the reasons why such special meeting is being convened and the nature of the business to be transacted thereat.
- (5) At every meeting of the Management Committee a simple majority of a number equal to the number of Members elected and/or appointed to the Management Committee as at the close of the last General Meeting of the Members, shall constitute a quorum.
- (6) Subject as previously provided in this section, the Management Committee may meet together and regulate its proceedings as it thinks fit.
- (7) However, questions arising at any meeting of the Management Committee shall be decided by a majority of votes and, in the case of equality of votes, the question shall be deemed to be decided in the negative.
- (8) A member of the Management Committee shall not vote in respect of any contract or proposed contract with the Club in which the member is interested, or any matter arising there out, and if the member does so vote the member's vote shall not be counted.
- (9) Not less than 14 days notice shall be given by the Secretary to Members of the Management Committee of any special meeting of the Management Committee.
- (10) Such notice shall clearly state the nature of the business to be discussed thereat.

- (11) The President shall preside as Chairperson at every meeting of the Management Committee, or if there is no President, or if at any meeting the President is not present within 10 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the Vice-President shall be Chairperson or if the Vice-President is not present at the meeting then the Members may choose 1 of their number to be Chairperson of the meeting.
- (12) If within half an hour from the time appointed for the commencement of a Management Committee Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of Members of the Management Committee, shall lapse.
- (13) In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Management Committee may determine, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall lapse.

## **18. DELEGATION OF POWERS OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- (1) The Management Committee may delegate any of its powers to a Sub-Committee consisting of such Members of the Club as the Management Committee thinks fit.
- (2) Any Sub-Committee so formed shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that may be imposed on it by the Management Committee.
- (3) A Sub-Committee may elect a Chairperson of its meetings.
- (4) If no such Chairperson is elected, or if at any meeting the Chairperson is not present within 10 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the Members present may choose 1 of their number to be Chairperson of the meeting.
- (5) A Sub-Committee may meet and adjourn, as it thinks proper.
- (6) Questions arising at any meeting shall be determined by a majority of votes of the Members present and, in the case of an equality of votes, the question shall be deemed to be decided in the negative.

## **19. ACTS NOT AFFECTED BY DEFECTS OR DISQUALIFICATIONS**

All acts done by any meeting of the Management Committee or of a Sub-Committee or by any person acting as a member of the Management Committee shall, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such member of the Management Committee or person acting as aforesaid, or that the Members of the Management Committee 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 Management Committee.

## **20. RESOLUTIONS OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WITHOUT MEETING**

- (1) A resolution in writing signed by all the Members of the Management Committee for the time being entitled to receive notice of a meeting of the Management Committee shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Management Committee duly convened and held.
- (2) Any such resolution may consist of several documents in like form, each signed by 1 or more Members of the Management Committee.

## **21. FIRST GENERAL MEETING**

- (1) The first General Meeting must be held not less than 1 month, and not more than 3 months, after the day the Club is incorporated.
- (2) The Management Committee must decide where the meeting is to be held.
- (3) The business to be transacted at the first General Meeting must include the appointment of an auditor.

## **22. FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The first Annual General Meeting must be held within 18 months after the day the Club is incorporated.

## **23. SUBSEQUENT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS**

Each subsequent Annual General Meeting must be held -

- (a) At least once each year; and
- (b) Within 3 months after the end of the Club's previous financial year.
- (c) Only financial Members may vote at Annual General Meetings.

## **24. BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The following business must be transacted at every Annual General Meeting -

- (a) The receiving of the statement of income and expenditure, assets and liabilities and of mortgages, charges and securities affecting the property of the Club for the last financial year;
- (b) The receiving of the auditor's report on the financial affairs of the Club for the last financial year;

- (c) The presenting of the audited statement to the meeting for adoption;
- (d) The election of Members of the Management Committee;
- (e) The appointment of an auditor.

## **25. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING**

- (1) The Secretary shall convene a special General Meeting by sending out notice of the meeting within 14 days of:-
  - (a) Being directed to do so by the Management Committee; or
  - (b) Being given a requisition in writing signed by not less than one-third of the Members presently on the Management Committee or not less than the number of ordinary Members of the Club which equals double the number of Members presently on the Management Committee plus one;
  - (c) Being given a notice in writing of an intention to appeal against the decision of the Management Committee to reject an application for Membership or to terminate the Membership of any person.
- (2) A requisition mentioned in subsection (1)(b) shall clearly state the reasons why such special General Meeting is being convened and the nature of the business to be transacted thereat.

## **26. QUORUM AT GENERAL MEETING**

- (1) At any General Meeting the number of Members required to constitute a quorum shall be double the number of Members presently on the Management Committee plus 1.
- (2) No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless a quorum of Members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business.
- (3) For the purposes of this rule -  
  
    **"Member"** includes a person attending as a proxy or as representing a corporation which is a member.
- (4) If within half an hour from the time appointed for the commencement of a General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of Members of the Management Committee or the Club, shall lapse.
- (5) In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Management Committee may

determine, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the Members present shall be a quorum.

- (6) The Chairperson may, with the consent of any 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, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- (7) When a meeting is adjourned for 30 days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an original meeting.
- (8) Save as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

## **27. NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING**

- (1) The Secretary shall convene all General Meetings of the Club by giving not less than 14 days notice of any such meeting to the Members of the Club.
- (2) The manner by which such notice shall be given shall be determined by the Management Committee.
- (3) However, notice of any meeting convened for the purpose of hearing and determining the appeal of a member against the rejection or termination of his Membership by the Management Committee, shall be given in writing.
- (4) Notice of a General Meeting shall clearly state the nature of the business to be discussed thereat.

## **28. PROCEDURE AT GENERAL MEETING**

- (1) Unless otherwise provided by these rules, at every General Meeting -
  - (a) The President shall preside as Chairperson, or if there is no President, or if the President is not present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or is unwilling to act, the Vice-President shall be the Chairperson or if the Vice-President is not present or is unwilling to act then the Members present shall elect 1 of their number to be Chairperson of the meeting; and
  - (b) The Chairperson shall maintain order and conduct the meeting in a proper and orderly manner; and
  - (c) Every question, matter or resolution shall be decided by a majority of votes of the Members present; and

- (d) Every member present shall be entitled to 1 vote and in the case of an equality of votes the Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote; and
- (e) However, no member shall be entitled to vote at any General Meeting if the member's annual subscription is more than 1 month in arrears at the date of the meeting; and
- (f) Voting shall be by show of hands or a division of Members, unless not less than one-fifth of the Members present demand a ballot, in which event there shall be a secret ballot; and
- (g) The Chairperson shall appoint 2 Members to conduct the secret ballot in such manner as the Chairperson shall determine and the result of the ballot as declared by the Chairperson shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the ballot was demanded; and
- (h) A member may vote in person or by proxy or by attorney and on a show of hands every person present who is a member or a representative of a member shall have 1 vote and in a secret ballot every member present in person or by proxy or by attorney or other duly authorised representative shall have 1 vote; and
- (i) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing, in the common or usual form under the hand of the appointer or of the appointer's attorney duly authorised in writing or, if the appointer is a corporation, either under seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised; and
- (j) A proxy may but need not be a member of the Club; and
- (k) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a secret ballot; and
- (l) Where it is desired to afford Members an opportunity of voting for or against a resolution the instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or a form as near thereto as circumstances permit -

CLUB:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, being a member of the abovementioned Club, hereby appoint  
of \_\_\_\_\_, or failing the member, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_,  
as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the (annual) General Meeting of the Club, to be held on the  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, and at any adjournment thereof.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Signature.

This form is to be used \*in favour of \_\_\_\_\_ the  
\*against  
resolution.

\*Strike out whichever is not desired. (Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy may vote as the proxy thinks fit.);



- (m) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be deposited with the Secretary prior to the commencement of any meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote; and
  - (n) The Secretary shall cause full and accurate minutes of all questions, matters, resolutions and other proceedings of every Management Committee Meeting and General Meeting to be entered in a book to be open for inspection at all reasonable times by any financial member who previously applies to the Secretary for that inspection.
- (2) For the purposes of ensuring the accuracy of the recording of such minutes, the minutes of every Management Committee Meeting shall be signed by the Chairperson of that meeting or the Chairperson of the next succeeding Management Committee Meeting verifying their accuracy.
  - (3) Similarly, the minutes of every General Meeting shall be signed by the Chairperson of that meeting or the Chairperson of the next succeeding General Meeting.
  - (4) However, the minutes of any Annual General Meeting shall be signed by the Chairperson of that meeting or the Chairperson of the next succeeding General Meeting or Annual General Meeting.

## **29. BY-LAWS**

The Management Committee may from time to time make, amend or repeal By-Laws, not inconsistent with these rules, for the internal management of the Club and any by-law may be set aside by a General Meeting of Members.

## **30. ALTERATION OF RULES**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*, these rules may be amended, rescinded or added to from time to time by a special resolution carried at any General Meeting.
- (2) However an amendment, rescission or addition is valid only if it is registered by the chief executive.

## **31. COMMON SEAL**

- (1) The Management Committee shall provide for a common seal and for its safe custody.
- (2) The common seal shall only be used by the authority of the Management Committee and every instrument to which the seal is affixed shall be signed by a member of the Management Committee and shall be countersigned by the Secretary or by a second member of the Management Committee or by some other person appointed by the Management Committee for the purpose.

### **32. FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS**

- (1) The funds of the Club must be kept in the name of the Club in a financial institution decided by the Management Committee.
- (2) Proper books and accounts shall be kept and maintained either in written or printed form in the English language showing correctly the financial affairs of the Club and the particulars usually shown in books of a like nature.
- (3) All moneys shall be deposited as soon as practicable after receipt thereof.
- (4) All amounts of \$100 or over shall be paid by cheque signed by any 2 of the President, Secretary, Treasurer or other member authorised from time to time by the Management Committee.
- (5) Cheques shall be crossed "not negotiable" except those in payment of wages, allowances or petty cash recoupment which may be open.
- (6) The Management Committee shall determine the amount of petty cash, which shall be kept, on the imprest system.
- (7) All expenditure shall be approved or ratified at a Management Committee Meeting.
- (8) As soon as practicable after the end of each financial year the Treasurer shall cause to be prepared a statement containing the particulars of -
  - (a) The income and expenditure for the financial year just ended; and
  - (b) The assets and liabilities and of all mortgages, charges and securities affecting the property of the Club at the close of that year.
- (9) If the Club is incorporated within 3 months of the end of the Club's financial year, subsection (8) does not apply for the financial year the Club is incorporated.
- (10) The auditor must examine the statement prepared under subsection (8) and present a report on it to the Secretary before the next Annual General Meeting following the financial year for which the audit was made.
- (11) The income and property of the Club must be used solely in promoting the Club's objects and exercising the Club's powers.

### **33. DOCUMENTS**

The Management Committee shall provide for the safe custody of books, documents, instruments of title and securities of the Club.

### **34. FINANCIAL YEAR**

The financial year of the Club shall close on 30<sup>th</sup> June in each year.

### **35. DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS ASSETS TO ANOTHER ENTITY**

(1) If the Club shall be wound up in accordance with the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, and there remains, after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any surplus assets whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the Members of the Club, but shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions that have objects similar to the objects of the 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 Rule 32(11), such institution or institutions to be determined by the Members of the Club.

(2) In this section -

**"surplus assets"** has the meaning given by section 92(3) of the Act.

### **36. DISSOLUTION CLAUSE**

Should the Membership of the Club fall below six (6) ordinary members, the Club may be dissolved at a Meeting called for this purpose.