

**NEW
CONSTITUTION
and
RULES
of the**

**BEAUMONT
BOWLING CLUB
INCORPORATED**



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SECTION 1 - NAME AND OBJECTS

1. Name

The name of the Club shall be BEAUMONT BOWLING CLUB INCORPORATED

2. Interpretations

2.1 In these Rules, except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires:

- 2.1.1 **“Act”** means the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985, as amended.
- 2.1.2 **“Administrative Secretary”** means the Secretary of the Club elected in accordance with these Rules.
- 2.1.3 **“Board of Management”** means the members for the time being of the ‘Board’ of the Club as constituted in accordance with the Rules and is the governing or controlling body of the Club subject only to any direction of the members at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.
- 2.1.4 **“Bowls SA”** means Bowls SA Inc, the peak body of the sport of Lawn Bowls in South Australia.
- 2.1.5 **“Chairperson”** means the person elected or nominated to chair any meeting of the club.
- 2.1.6 **“Club”** means the club referred to in Rule 1.
- 2.1.7 **“Day”** means calendar day not business day.
- 2.1.8 **“Financial Year”** means the Club’s Financial Year and, unless altered by the members at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, shall be the period April 1 to March 31.
- 2.1.9 **“Member”** means any member of the Club.
- 2.1.10 **“Month”** means a calendar month.
- 2.1.11 **“Rules”** means the Rules of the club in force for the time being.
- 2.1.12 **“Special Resolution”** means a resolution of the Club which is passed by a majority which comprises not less than three-quarters of such members of the Club as, being entitled under these Rules so to do, vote at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of which not less than twenty-one (21) day’s written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution was given in accordance with these Rules.

2.2 In these Rules: -

- 2.2.1 Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- 2.2.2 Words importing any gender include all genders; and
- 2.2.3 A reference to ‘writing’ shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as including references to printing, lithography, photography, and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, including messages sent by electronic mail.

3. Objects and Purposes

The objects and purposes of the Club shall be: -

- 3.1** to maintain and conduct a not-for-profit sporting club of non-political character, which encourages more people in the local community to play more bowls more often;
- 3.2** to provide and maintain facilities for members such as a clubhouse, bowling green and other conveniences for the use and recreation of the members at such place or places as decided by the members;
- 3.3** to promote such other objects as the members shall determine but always to have in mind the advancement and best interests of the game of bowls;
- 3.4** to affiliate with Bowls SA and any other organisation that may be desirable in the pursuit of these objects and purposes;
- 3.5** to do all such things necessary to the attainment of the above objects and purposes.

4. Powers

The Club shall have the power to:

- 4.1** acquire, hold, deal with and dispose of any real or personal property; and
- 4.2** construct, maintain and alter any buildings, grounds, playing surfaces, conveniences or works necessary or convenient for the purposes of, or which seem likely to advance, the interests of the members of the Club;
- 4.3** open and operate financial institution accounts;
- 4.4** invest money:
 - 4.4.1** in any security in which trust monies may, by Act of Parliament, be invested; or
 - 4.4.2** in any other manner that the Board of Management deems fit;
- 4.5** borrow or acquire money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Management deems fit;
- 4.6** give such security for the discharge of liability incurred by the Club as the Board of Management deems fit;
- 4.7** appoint agents to contract any business of the Club on behalf of the Club;
- 4.8** enter into any other contract the Club considers necessary or desirable; and
- 4.9** do all such acts and things as are incidental, conducive or subsidiary to all or any of the objects of the Club.

SECTION 2 - MEMBERSHIP

5. Register of Members

- 5.1** The Administrative Secretary shall establish and maintain a Register of Members of the Club specifying the name, membership class, and contact details of each person who is a member of the Club together with the date on which the person became a member.
- 5.2** The Register of Members shall be maintained at all times and shall be open for inspection by any member of the Club, subject to privacy legislation.

6. Service of Notices

- 6.1** A notice may be given by the club to any member by serving the member with the notice personally, or by sending it by electronic mail or post to the address appearing in the register of members. (See rule 5).
- 6.2** Where a notice is sent by post:
 - 6.2.1** the service is effected by properly addressing, prepaying and posting a letter or packet containing the notice, and
 - 6.2.2** unless the contrary is proved, service will be taken to have been effected at the time

at which the letter or packet would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.

6.3 Where a notice is sent by electronic mail, it is deemed to be received at the time of sending.

7. Membership Quota

The Board of Management may in its absolute discretion impose a maximum quota on the number of members of the Club.

8. Membership Classes

The Club shall, in respect of bowling members, consist of such classes of membership as to conform with the registration requirements of Bowls SA. In addition, the Club may, in respect of non- bowling members and visiting interstate and/or overseas bowlers, consist of such classes of membership as the Club deems appropriate.

8.1 The following membership categories must be registered with Bowls SA in accordance with these rules:

8.1.1 Full Members

Members with full registration will be conferred playing rights in accordance with the Bowls SA Constitution and By Laws. The clearance rule will still apply.

8.1.2 Life Members

Life Members will be considered by Bowls SA as fully registered members and as such will be conferred playing rights in accordance with the Bowls SA Constitution and By Laws.

8.1.3 Junior / Student Members

8.1.3.1 Junior Members shall be persons under the age of eighteen (18) years as at July 1 in the year of registration.

8.1.3.2 Student Members shall be full-time students under the age of 25 years as at July 1 in the year of registration.

8.1.3.3 Junior and Student Members may be admitted in the same manner as Full Members, subject to the terms of these Rules, and be entitled to play bowls and be engaged in other forms of recreation conducted by the Club and shall be conferred playing rights in accordance with the Bowls SA Constitution

8.1.4 Restricted Players

Restricted Players are bowlers whose playing category limits participation to casual or Night Owl competitions, or events specifically designated for Restricted Players. Playing rights are conferred per the Bowls SA Constitution and By Laws.

Restricted Players shall not be eligible:

8.1.4.1 to play in Bowls SA, Bowls Australia or Club Championship events

8.1.4.2 an open or invitation tournaments of other clubs

8.1.4.3 Players under this category shall not be selected for pennant teams unless;

a) All available Members with Full or Junior/Student registration with Bowls SA have been selected; and

b) shall be limited to participate in a maximum of three (3) pennant games in any one pennant season; and

c) may only participate in more than three (3) pennant games upon registration as a Full or Junior/Student Member of Bowls SA

8.1.4.4 to Member Club privileges contrary to those set out in Bowls SA Constitution and By Laws

8.2 Social Members

Social Members may be admitted as non-bowling members of the Club in the same manner as Full Members and shall be entitled to such privileges as the Board of Management shall determine from time to time. Social members may use the greens at such times as directed by the Board of Management and may use the Clubs facilities including indoor bowls. Playing rights are conferred per the Bowls SA Constitution and By Laws

8.3 Nightowl Bowler Members

A person who attends at the Club on any day for the purpose of playing in a session of Nightowl Bowls shall become a temporary member of the club (A Nightowl Bowler Member) for that day upon payment of a registration fee for that session of Nightowl Bowls and may use the Club Facilities on that day subject to these rules. Such Nightowl Bowler member shall be entitled to attend the Club for practice sessions at such times upon such term as may be designated by the Board of Management.

8.4 Associate Members

Associate Members may be admitted in the same manner as Full Members, subject to the terms of these Rules, and be entitled to play bowls and be engaged in other forms of recreation conducted by the Club.

8.5 Reciprocal Playing Rights -Temporary Members

A visiting member of any other bowling club who is a member of an interstate or overseas bowling club that is under the jurisdiction of the World Bowls Board or Bowls Australia shall, upon receipt of a Pennant Permit issued by Bowls SA and registration with Bowls SA, be permitted, during the current season only, to play pennants for that Member Club, and be eligible to play in Bowls Australia, Bowls SA and Member Club events for which they are qualified, without completion of the clearance process from their interstate or overseas club.

8.6 Honorary Members

The President or Administrative Secretary shall have the power to confer Honorary Membership on a visiting member of an overseas or interstate club, or any club affiliated with Bowls SA during the period of their visit, provided that such visitor is sponsored by a current member of the Club.

8.7 Dual Club Members

Full, Life or Associate/Social bowler members of any other bowling club that is under the jurisdiction of Bowls SA and who are registered with Bowls SA by that other club may be admitted as a dual club member. Dual club members shall be entitled to use the club's premises socially and the club greens for practice and enjoy such other rights as the board may confer from time to time. Dual club members will only be eligible to play pennants for the club in accordance with the rules of Bowls SA and By Laws or by virtue of an authority given by Bowls SA.

9. Nomination and Admission of Members

9.1 A nomination of a person to become a Member of the Club, in any category aside from as a Life Member: -

9.1.1 must be made by a member of the Club who has personal knowledge of the nominee;

9.1.2 must be made by a member of the Club via the appropriate form or registration system; and

9.1.3 must be lodged with the Administrative Secretary, or a Board of Management appointed delegate.

9.2 As soon as practicable after receiving a nomination for membership, the Administrative

Secretary, or a Board of Management appointed delegate shall: -

9.2.1 refer the nomination to the Board of Management who shall determine whether to approve or to reject the nomination

9.2.2 post a copy of the application form on the Club's notice board at least seven (7) days immediately preceding the day of election to membership.

9.3 Where the Board of Management in its absolute discretion, determines to approve a nomination for membership, the Administrative Secretary shall as soon as practicable after the determination, notify the nominee of that approval and request the nominee to pay within the period of twenty eight (28) days after receipt by the nominee of the notification the amount payable under these Rules by a member as annual subscription.

9.4 The Administrative Secretary or a Board of Management appointed delegate shall, upon payment by the nominee of the fee referred to in Rule 9.3 within the period referred to in that clause: -

9.4.1 enter the nominee's name in the Register of Members and, upon the name being so entered, the nominee becomes a member of the Club; and

9.4.2 provide the nominee with a copy of the current Rules, By-laws and Regulations and record the receipt of those documents by the nominee.

9.5 Where the Board of Management rejects the nominee's application, the nominee shall not again be nominated for a period of at least six (6) months from the date of rejection or voiding of membership.

9.6 Where the nominee fails to make the payment referred to in Rule 9.3 within the period referred to in that clause, the nominee shall not again be nominated for a period of at least six (6) months from the date of rejection or voiding of membership.

10 Life Members

10.1 A Full Member who has rendered special service or services to the Club may on the recommendation of the Board of Management at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, be elected a Life Member of the Club with full privileges without payment of any subscription. The election of a Life Member shall be by ballot and for the recommendation to succeed at least three-quarters of the votes of the Full Members and Life Members present must be in the affirmative.

10.2 A Life Member shall not be relieved of any financial obligation other than the Club annual subscription.

10.3 To be eligible to play in the pennant competition, Bowls SA and Bowls Australia events, or events of other clubs, a Life Member must be registered as a Full Member with Bowls SA.

10.4 The Club must still pay any relevant fees (such as Affiliation or registration) to Bowls SA and the Association in relation to Life Members.

11 Voting Rights and Entitlements

The entitlements of members of the Club are as follows:

11.1 Full Members and Life Members are entitled to all Club privileges and are the only members entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meetings of the Club with each member entitled to one vote each on any given resolution or matter.

11.2 Associate, Social, Honorary, Temporary, Junior and Student Members and Restricted Players are entitled to such privileges as the Board of Management determines from time to time

12 Cessation of Membership

A person ceases to be a member of the Club if the person:

12.1 dies;

- 12.2 forfeits their membership;
- 12.3 resigns that membership; or
- 12.4 is expelled from the Club.

13 Forfeiture of Membership

- 13.1 If a member fails to pay their annual subscription within the time prescribed by the Board of Management, then that person shall cease to be a member of the Club.
- 13.2 The Board of Management or its delegate may in its absolute discretion restore the member's name to the Register of Members where the Board of Management or its delegate accepts, in its absolute discretion, a satisfactory explanation from the member and the member has paid the amount/s due.
- 13.3 The Administrative Secretary or a Board of Management appointed delegate shall give notice to each member when their subscription is due. This notice must be served on the member in accordance with Rule 6.
- 13.4 Where a member of the Club for whatever reason ceases to be a member for one or more years, such member may be re-admitted under such condition as determined by the Board of Management.

14 Resignation of Members

- 14.1 A member of the Club is not entitled to resign their membership except in accordance with this Rule.
- 14.2 A member wishing to resign from the Club shall give seven (7) days' notice in writing to the Administrative Secretary or a Board of Management appointed delegate and shall pay all monies due at the date of such notice including the current Financial Year's subscription or such portion thereof as the Board of Management may determine.
- 14.3 Where a member ceases to hold membership, the Administrative Secretary or a Board of Management appointed delegate shall make an appropriate entry in the Register of Members recording the date on which the member ceased to be a member
- 14.4 Administrative Secretary shall immediately complete a clearance form to indicate that the member has left in good standing. The Administrative Secretary shall provide two copies of the clearance form to the member and shall forward a further copy to Bowls SA. The Administrative Secretary shall retain a copy of the clearance form for the records of the Club.
- 14.5 A member resigning from the Club, or ceasing for any reason whatever to be a member thereof, shall not have any right, title or interest in or to any property of the Club.

15 Disciplining of Members

- 15.1 Where the Board of Management is of the opinion that a member of the Club:-
 - 15.1.1 has persistently refused or neglected to comply with the provision or provisions of these Rules: or
 - 15.1.2 has persistently and wilfully acted in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Club; or
 - 15.1.3 has engaged in conduct deemed by the Board of Management to be undesirable;
 - 15.1.4 the Board of Management may, by resolution:
 - a) censure the member;
 - b) expel the member from membership of the Club for a specified period; or
 - c) expel the member from the Club.
- 15.2 When the Board of Management passes a resolution under Rule 15.1, the Administrative Secretary shall, as soon as practicable, cause a notice in writing to be served on the member:-

- 15.2.1 setting out the resolution of the Board of Management and the grounds on which it is based with sufficient particularity that the member adequately knows the case to be answered.
- 15.2.2 stating that the member may address the Board of Management at a meeting to be held not earlier than seven (7) days and not later than twenty-eight (28) days after service of the notice;
- 15.2.3 stating the date, place and time of that meeting; and
- 15.2.4 informing the member that the member may do any or all of the following:-
 - (a) object to any member of the Board of Management on the grounds of bias which matter the Board of Management shall determine as a preliminary point;
 - (b) attend and speak at that meeting;
 - (c) arrange for a representative of the member to attend and speak at that meeting on the member's behalf;
 - (d) submit to the Board of Management at or prior to the date of that meeting written representations relating to the resolution on the member's behalf;
 - (e) arrange for a representative of the member to submit to the Board of Management at or prior to the date of that meeting written representations in relation to the resolution on the member's behalf;
 - (f) bring such witnesses to the meeting to give evidence as to facts or character;
 - (g) call for any statements made to the Board of Management relevant to the case against the member and for the witness/es making their statement/s to be available for cross-examination if so advised.
- 15.2.5 In the event that the case changes prior to the hearing then the member shall be given adequate notice of such changes
- 15.3** At a meeting of the Board of Management held in accordance with Rule 15.2, the Board of Management shall:-
 - 15.3.1 give to the member, or the member's representative, an opportunity to make oral representations;
 - 15.3.2 give due consideration to any written representations submitted to the Board of Management by the member, or the representative of the member, at or prior to the meeting; and
 - 15.3.3 by resolution determine whether to confirm or revoke the resolution.
- 15.4** A resolution of the Board of Management under Rule 15.1 has no effect unless the Board of Management, at a meeting held not earlier than seven (7) days and not greater than twenty-eight (28) days after service on the member of a notice under Rule 15.3 confirms the resolution in accordance with this Rule.
- 15.5** Where the Board of Management confirms a resolution under Rule 15.4, the Administrative Secretary shall, within seven (7) days after that confirmation, by notice in writing, advise the member of the fact and of the member's right of appeal under Rule 16.
- 15.6** A resolution confirmed by the Board of Management under Rule 15.4 does not take effect:-
 - 15.6.1 until the expiration of the period within which the member is to appeal against the resolution where the member does not exercise the right of appeal within that period; or
 - 15.6.2 where within that period the member exercises the right of appeal, unless and until the resolution is confirmed pursuant to Rule 16.4.

16 Right of Appeal of Disciplined Member

- 16.1** A member may appeal to a Special General Meeting against a resolution of the Board of Management which is confirmed under Rule 15.4, within seven (7) days after notice of the resolution is served on the member by lodging with the Administrative Secretary a notice to that effect.
- 16.2** Upon receipt of the notice from a member under Rule 16.1, the Administrative Secretary shall notify the Board of Management which will convene a Special General Meeting to be held within twenty-eight (28) days after the date on which the Administrative Secretary received the notice.
- 16.3** At the Special General Meeting of the Club convened under Rule 16.2: -
- 16.3.1 no business other than the question of the appeal shall be transacted;
 - 16.3.2 the Board of Management and the member, or the member's representative, shall be given the opportunity to state their respective cases orally or in writing, or both; and;
 - 16.3.3 the members present shall vote by secret ballot on the question of whether the resolution should be confirmed or revoked.
- 16.4** If at the Special General Meeting the meeting passes a special resolution in favour of the confirmation of the resolution, the resolution is confirmed.

17 Absence of a Member

Any member contemplating absence for a period may, on application to the Board of Management, be granted leave of absence for a period not exceeding two years, subject to the payment of a fee as determined by the Board of Management

18 Fees and Subscriptions

Except as otherwise provided in these Rules:-

- 18.1** a member of the Club shall pay to the Club an annual subscription as determined by the members from time to time at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting and the appropriate Bowls SA registration fee.;
- 18.2** the subscription fee shall be payable annually by no later than September 30 or at such other time as the Board of Management shall determine from time to time;
- 18.3** any member whose annual subscription is outstanding for more than four (4) months after the due date shall cease to be a member of the Club, provided always that the Board of Management may reinstate such a person's membership on such terms as the Board of Management deems appropriate;
- 18.4** members who are elected to membership after the first day of January in any year shall pay such proportion of the annual subscription as shall be determined by the Board of Management; and
- 18.5** a member new to the Club may be admitted as a Full Member, or an existing member may be upgraded to Full Membership, upon payment of a first-year initial subscription fee as determined by the Board of Management.

19 Members' Liabilities

The liability of a member of the Club to contribute toward the payment of the debts and liabilities of the Club or the cost, charges and expenses of the winding up of the Club is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid by the member in respect of membership of the Club as required by Rule 18.

SECTION 3 – GENERAL MEETINGS

20 Annual General Meeting

- 20.1** The Club shall convene an Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Act and these rules and by no later than May 31st each year.
- 20.2** The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall, subject to the Act and to Rule 21.1, be convened on such date and at such place and time as the Board of Management deems fit.
- 20.3** The Board of Management shall provide members with at least twenty-eight (28) days' notice of the Annual General Meeting in the manner according to Rule 6 and must affix a copy of the Notice of the Meeting to the notice board inside the clubhouse.
- 20.4** The business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting shall be in the following order:
 - 20.4.1 reading of the Notice of the Meeting,
 - 20.4.2 confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and/or Special General Meetings,
 - 20.4.3 presentation of Annual Report;
 - 20.4.4 consideration and adoption of Annual Report;
 - 20.4.5 presentation of Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts;
 - 20.4.6 consideration and adoption of Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts;
 - 20.4.7 other reports;
 - 20.4.8 election of office bearers;
 - 20.4.9 the appointment of Auditors (if required);
 - 20.4.10 fix amount of annual subscription for all classes of membership;
 - 20.4.11 notices of Motion; and
 - 20.4.12 any other business requiring consideration by the association in a general meeting.

21 Special General Meetings

- 21.1** The Board of Management shall convene a Special General Meeting when requested to do so by requisition in accordance with this Rule.
- 21.2** The Board of Management shall, on a requisition in writing of not less than three (3) of its members, or fifteen (15) members of the Club, convene a Special General Meeting.
- 21.3** A requisition for a Special General Meeting:
 - 21.3.1 shall state the purpose or purposes of the Meeting;
 - 21.3.2 shall be signed by the members making the requisition;
 - 21.3.3 shall be lodged with the Administrative Secretary; and
 - 21.3.4 may consist of several documents in a similar form, each signed, whether physically or electronically, by one or more of the members making the requisition.
- 21.4** A Special General Meeting shall be held on a date determined by the Board of Management, such date being not less than fourteen (14) clear days and not more than twenty-eight (28) clear days from the date of requisition.
- 21.5** The Administrative Secretary shall post the requisition and Notice of Meeting on the notice board of the Club and communicate it to all members and communicate the notice in the manner according to Rule 6.
- 21.6** If the Board of Management fails to convene a Special General Meeting in accordance with

Rule 25.4, any one or more of the members who made the requisition may convene a Special General Meeting to be held not later than three (3) months after the date of the requisition.

22 Procedures at General Meetings (Annual and Special)

- 22.1** The President shall, subject to this Constitution, preside as Chairperson at every General Meeting. If the President is not present, or is unwilling or unable to preside, a Vice President shall preside. If a Vice President is not present, or is unwilling or unable to preside, the members entitled to be present at that meeting shall appoint one of their number to preside as Chairperson of that meeting only.
- 22.2** No item of business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these Rules to vote is present during the time the meeting is considering that item.
- 22.3** Twenty (20) members present in person, being members entitled under these Rules to vote at General Meeting, shall constitute a quorum.
- 22.4** If within fifteen (15) minutes after the appointed time for the commencement of a General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved, and in any other case, shall stand adjourned to the same day in the following week at the same time and at the same place, unless another place is specified at the time of the adjournment by the person presiding at the meeting or communicated by written notice to members.
- 22.5** If at the adjourned General Meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen (15) minutes after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the members present, being not less than ten (10), shall constitute a quorum.

23 Voting at General Meetings (Annual and Special)

- 23.1** The election of all officers, where there are more nominations than vacancies, shall be:
 - 23.1.1 Conducted by two Returning Officers appointed at the General Meeting where the election is taking place.
 - 23.1.2 Conducted by ballot
 - 23.1.3 Ballot papers containing votes for a greater or lesser number of persons to be elected shall be informal.
 - 23.1.4 Where two or more candidates receive an equal number of votes, the Chairperson shall, draw lots to decide the successful candidate.
- 23.2** All other questions for decision by the members of the Club at General Meeting shall be duly proposed and seconded, and shall be determined by a show of hands, or the electronic equivalent where the meeting is virtual, unless a ballot is asked for by ten percent (10%) of members present and entitled to vote. The ballot shall then be taken. When a ballot is taken, two Returning Officers shall be appointed by the Chairperson to conduct the ballot. The result of each ballot shall be deemed to be a resolution of the Club adopted at such General Meeting.
- 23.3** The Chairperson of a General Meeting or Special General Meeting shall, with the exception of election of office bearers, be entitled to a deliberative and a casting vote.
- 23.4** Full Members and Life Members only will be entitled to vote at Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings of the Club
- 23.5** At any Annual General Meeting of the Club, only such members who were financial at the close of the previous Financial Year or any new member who has paid the current fee shall be entitled to attend such meeting. This provision shall apply also to any Special General Meeting of the Club held between the close of the previous Financial Year and the Annual General Meeting of the Club. At all other Special General Meetings only members who are financial according to these Rules shall be entitled to attend such meetings.

- 23.6** Proxy or postal voting shall not be permitted at any Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Club.
- 23.7** At any General Meeting of the Club, a declaration by the Chairperson that a resolution has been carried, or lost, or not carried by a particular margin, if such is required, and an entry to that effect appearing in the Minute Book of the Club shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.
- 23.8** All resolutions passed at General Meetings shall be conclusive and binding on all members of the Club, whether they shall have been present or not at such meeting.

SECTION 4 – BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

24 Powers of the Board of Management

- 24.1** The affairs of the Club shall be managed and controlled by the Board of Management which, in addition to any powers and authorities conferred by these rules, may exercise all such powers and do all such things as are within the objects of the Club, and are not by the Act or by these rules required to be done by the association in general meeting, including but not limited to:-
 - 24.1.1 to delegate, in accordance with Rule 30, the exercise of functions to committees and sub-committees;
 - 24.1.2 to fill casual vacancies on the Board of Management;
 - 24.1.3 to appoint such officers, employees and volunteers as are required to carry out the objects of the Club, including a Public Officer, and may delegate any of its powers to such officers and employees;
 - 24.1.4 to impose levies on members, subject to the approval of General Meeting of the Club;
 - 24.1.5 to review the resignation of a member in accordance with Rule 12;
 - 24.1.6 to make By-Laws in conformity with the Rules of the Club;
 - 24.1.7 interpret the Rules and By-Laws of the Club, and such interpretation shall be final;
 - 24.1.8 to carry out all resolutions, including those of which the prescribed notice has been given, and which have been passed at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Club;
 - 24.1.9 to ensure compliance with the Rules and By-Laws of the Club, and deal with any breaches as provided in Rule 15;
 - 24.1.10 to ensure that correct financial accounts and books, and administrative records, are kept showing the affairs of the Club.
 - 24.1.11 To authorise all expenditure including any expenditure passed at a General Meeting of the Club, and direct the method of dealing with monies received for or on behalf of the Club;
 - 24.1.12 to invest funds in any security which trust money may by an Act of Parliament be invested, or in any other manner specifically authorised by the members at a General Meeting of the Club and in accordance with the powers conferred to the Club in Rule 4 under the Act

25 Office Bearers – Board of Management

- 25.1** The Board of Management shall consist of the office bearers of the Club as follows:
 - 25.1.1 An elected President, who shall be Chairperson;

- 25.1.2 Two (2) elected Vice President;
- 25.1.3 An elected Treasurer;
- 25.1.4 An elected Administrative Secretary;
- 25.1.5 five (5) elected Board members
- 25.1.6 or such number as determined at the Annual General Meeting; taking into account gender balance
- 25.2** The Elected Office Bearers shall be elected:
 - 25.2.1 at the Annual General Meeting pursuant to Rule 26
 - 25.2.2 for terms of one or two years, with terms staggered to both meet the requirements of gender balance and to retain corporate knowledge
- 25.3** Each member of the Board of Management shall, subject to the Rules, hold office until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting in the year in which their term according to Rule 25.2 ends, but shall be eligible for re-election.
- 25.4** In the event of a casual vacancy occurring, the Board of Management may appoint a financial member of the Club, in any category with full voting rights, to fill the vacancy and the member so appointed shall hold office, subject to these Rules, until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the date of appointment.
- 25.5** There is no restriction of any member of the Board of Management holding dual office.
- 25.6** The Board of Management must advise Bowls SA of who the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Administrative Secretary are within seven (7) days of their appointment.
- 25.7** A member of the committee having a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in a contract or proposed contract with the club must disclose the nature and extent of that interest to the committee as required by the Act and shall not vote with respect to that contract or proposed contract. The member must disclose the nature and extent of his or her interest in the contract at the next annual general meeting of the club.

26 Election of Office Bearers - Board of Management

- 26.1** Nominations of candidates for election as members of the Board of Management of the Club:-
 - 26.1.1 shall be made in writing and signed by a nominator and a seconder, both of whom are fully registered members of the Club with voting rights, and signed by the nominee expressing willingness to accept the position for which nominated; and
 - 26.1.2 shall be delivered to the Administrative Secretary not less than fourteen (14) days before the date fixed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting at which the election is to take place.
- 26.2** If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the Board of Management, further nominations may be received at the Annual General Meeting.
- 26.3** If the number of nominations received is equal to or less than the number of vacancies, the candidates nominated shall be declared elected only if approved by the majority of Members entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting.
- 26.4** If insufficient further nominations are received, any vacant positions remaining on the Board of Management shall be treated as casual vacancies in accordance with Rule 25.4.
- 26.5** If the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot shall be held.
- 26.6** The ballot for the election of the Board of Management shall be conducted at the Annual

General Meeting in accordance with Rule 23.1.

27 Casual Vacancies - Board of Management

For the purpose of these Rules, a casual vacancy in the office of a member of the Board of Management occurs if the member:-

- 27.1** dies;
- 27.2** ceases to be a member of the Club;
- 27.3** becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Corporations Law;
- 27.4** resigns office by notice in writing given to the Administrative Secretary;
- 27.5** is removed from office under Rule 28;
- 27.6** 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; or
- 27.7** is absent without the consent of the Board of Management from three (3) consecutive meetings of the Board of Management.

28 Removal of Member from the Board of Management

- 28.1** The Club at a General Meeting may, by resolution, remove any member of the Board of Management from the office of member before the expiration of the member's term of office, and may by resolution, appoint another person to hold office until the expiration of the term of office for members so removed.
- 28.2** Where a member of the Board of Management, to whom a proposed resolution referred to in Rule 28.1 relates, makes representations in writing to the Administrative Secretary or President and requests that the representations be notified to the members of the Club, the Administrative Secretary or the President may send a copy of the representations to each member of the Club or, if they are not so sent, the member is entitled to require that the representations be read out at the meeting at which the resolution is considered.

29 Meetings and Quorum - Board of Management

- 29.1** The Board of Management shall hold regular meetings a minimum of eight (8) times each year and at such time and place, or via virtual meeting technology which allows all members to participate equally, as the Board of Management shall determine.
- 29.2** Special Meetings of the Board of Management may be convened by the President or at the request of three (3) members of the Board of Management provided that the Administrative Secretary or in their absence, the President shall give at least two (2) days' notice of the meeting to each member of the Board of Management.
- 29.3** Written or verbal notice of a meeting or Special Meeting of the Board of Management shall be given by the Administrative Secretary to each member of the Board of Management at least two (2) days before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting. At all times, written notice is preferable and where verbal notice is given the time and date of such notice should be recorded.
 - 29.3.1** Notice of a meeting given under Rule 29.3 shall specify the general nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting and no business other than that business shall be transacted at the meeting, except business which the members of the Board of Management present at the meeting unanimously agree to treat as urgent business.
- 29.4** Any five (5) members of the Board of Management shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Board of Management
 - 29.4.1** If there are any vacancies on the Board of Management, the remaining Office Bearers may act but, if the number of remaining Office Bearers is not sufficient to constitute

a quorum at a meeting, they may act only for the purpose of increasing the number of Office Bearers to a number sufficient to constitute a quorum.

29.4.2 In the event that a failure in technology prevents members from being able to reasonably participate, then the meeting shall be suspended until the failure is rectified. If such condition is not satisfied within fifteen minutes from the interruption the meeting shall be deemed to have terminated if a quorum is no longer present.

29.5 No business shall be transacted by the Board of Management unless a quorum is present and, if within fifteen (15) minutes of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same place and at the same hour of the same day in the following week or such other venue, date and time as appropriate.

29.6 If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen (15) minutes of the time appointed for the meeting the meeting shall be dissolved.

29.7 At a meeting of the Board of Management:-

29.7.1 the President shall preside; or

29.7.2 if the President is not present or unable to preside, the Board may appoint from among its members present a Chair

29.8 Office Bearers must declare any interests which may present them with a conflict in considering an agenda item.

30 Delegation by the Board of Management to Committees and Subcommittees

30.1 The Board of Management may establish committees and/or sub-committees to exercise such functions as the Board of Management shall determine, and appoint members to those committees and sub-committees.

30.2 In the establishing resolution, the Board of Management may delegate such functions as are specified in the resolution, other than:-

30.2.1 this power of delegation; and

30.2.2 a function imposed on the Board of Management by the Act, by these Rules or by any other law.

30.3 A function, the exercise of which has been delegated to a committee and/or sub-committee under this Rule may, while the delegation remains unrevoked, be exercised from time to time by the committee and/or sub-committee in accordance with the terms of the delegation.

30.4 A delegation under this Rule may be made subject to such conditions or limitations as to the exercise of any function the subject thereof, or as to time or circumstances, as may be specified in the instrument of delegation.

30.5 Notwithstanding any delegation under this Rule, the Board of Management may continue to exercise any function delegated.

30.6 Any act or thing done or suffered by a committee and/or sub-committee acting in the exercise of a delegation under this Rule has the same force and effect as it would have if it had been done or suffered by the Board of Management.

30.7 The Board of Management may, by instrument in writing, revoke wholly or in part, any delegation under this Rule.

30.8 A committee and/or sub-committee shall meet and adjourn as it deems appropriate.

31 Voting and Decisions – Board of Management

- 31.1** Questions arising at a meeting of the Board of Management or of any committee and/or sub-committee appointed by the Board of Management shall be determined by a majority of the votes of members of the Board of Management or committee and/or sub-committee present at the meeting.
- 31.2** Each member present at the meeting of the Board of Management or of any committee and/or sub-committee appointed by the Board of Management, including the person presiding at the meeting, is entitled to one vote but, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a deliberative and a casting vote. Subject to Rule 29.3.3 the Board of Management may act notwithstanding any vacancy on the Board of Management.
- 31.3** Any act or thing done or suffered, or purporting to have been done or suffered, by the Board of Management or by a committee and/or sub-committee appointed by the Board of Management, is valid and effectual notwithstanding any defect that may afterwards be discovered in the appointment or disqualification of any member of the Board of Management or committee and/or sub-committee.

SECTION 5 - FUNCTIONS OF OFFICERS

32 President

- 32.1** The President shall regulate and keep order at all meetings at which the President is to preside as prescribed by these Rules.
- 32.2** The President may take only such other actions as are determined by the Board of Management, or by the members of the Club at any meeting of the Club, in assisting to ensure:-
 - 32.2.1 that the Rules and the By-laws of the Club are effectively implemented; and
 - 32.2.2 that effective administrative actions follow decisions made at those meetings over which the President is prescribed by these Rules to preside.
- 32.3** The President may take action in any matter specifically detailed by these Rules.

33 Administrative Secretary

- 33.1** The Administrative Secretary shall be the executive officer of the Board of Management and Public Officer of the Club and register as such in accordance with the Act
- 33.2** The Administrative Secretary shall ensure that minutes are kept and signed by the Chair in relation to:
 - 33.2.1 all meetings of the Board of Management
 - 33.2.2 all General Meetings of the Club;
 - 33.2.3 all Committee and Subcommittee meetings
- 33.3** The Administrative Secretary shall
 - 33.3.1 attend to all correspondence in connection with the general business of the Club;
 - 33.3.2 prepare for submission to the Annual General Meeting of the Club, the report of the Board of Management on the activities of the Club during the year;
 - 33.3.3 maintain a register of members in accordance with Rule 6.1 and the date of the latest subscription payment; and
 - 33.3.4 carry out administrative duties as required by the Board of Management.

34 Treasurer

34.1 It is the duty of the Treasurer:-

- 34.1.1 to receive all moneys belonging to the funds of the Club, and within a reasonable time to deposit or arrange for the deposit of such moneys with the Club's bankers, or as directed by the Board of Management.
- 34.1.2 to be responsible for payment of all Club accounts which have been passed for payment by the Board of Management.
- 34.1.3 to keep correct accounts of all moneys received and expended.
- 34.1.4 prepare the annual income and expenditure budget for approval by the Board of Management.
- 34.1.5 prepare and submit financial statements at meetings of the Board of Management and at the Annual General Meeting of the Club.

35 Indemnity of Administrative Secretary and Treasurer

If the Administrative Secretary or Treasurer are required by their office to pay any money for an act, default or omission of any other person, such money shall be paid by the Club, or any such money paid by the Administrative Secretary or Treasurer shall be refunded by the Club. The club shall indemnify any officer, board or committee person, or employee acting in good faith and within the scope of his or her duties, or what he or she honestly believes to be so, against any claim, liability, loss or damage which he or she may suffer, or undergo, in consequence of any act, omission, error or oversight on his or her part.

SECTION 6 - FINANCIAL

36 Funds – Management

- 36.1 All moneys received by the Club shall be deposited as soon as practicable and without deduction to the credit of such bank accounts of the Club.
- 36.2 The bank accounts of the Club are to be retained with such financial institutions as shall from time to time be approved by the Board of Management.
- 36.3 All electronic payments, cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed or authorised by two of the following office bearers:-
 - 36.3.1 The President, the Administrative Secretary, the Treasurer and one other appointed officer bearer of the Club;
- 36.4 In the event that any one of the abovementioned office-bearers is absent through illness or for any other reason, the Board of Management may appoint a substitute signatory to the accounts of the Club.
- 36.5 The income and capital of the club shall be applied exclusively to the promotion of its objects and no portion shall be paid or distributed directly or indirectly to members or their associates except as bona fide remuneration of a member for services rendered or expenses incurred on behalf of the club.

37 Accounts

- 37.1 The Club shall keep such accounting records as are necessary to correctly record and explain the financial transactions and financial position of the Club.
 - 37.1.1 These records, books of account and other financial documents shall be open to the inspection of the Board of Management.
- 37.2 No single expenditure exceeding ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars) or such lesser amount as deemed appropriate by the Board of Management shall be entered into without the approval

of the members at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Club.

37.3 The Board of Management may approve expenditure subject to the above limit in Rule 37.2, and shall approve for payment all accounts incurred under provisions of this and the preceding paragraph before payment is made.

37.4 The Board of Management shall determine limits within which any committee and/or sub-committee may incur expenditure. All accounts for expenditure incurred under this authority shall be passed for payment by the Board of Management.

37.4.1 Expenditure exceeding one thousand, (\$1000) dollars or such other amount as deemed appropriate shall not be entered into without the prior consent of the Board of Management.

38 Control Over Property

38.1 The prior approval of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Club is required for the following matters:-

38.1.1 negotiating a loan;

38.1.2 issuing debentures;

38.1.3 granting security over any property of the Club;

38.1.4 selling of any real estate on behalf of the Club;

38.1.5 leasing any property of the Club; and

38.1.6 all other measures in any way extending the liabilities of the Club beyond the assets and estimated revenue of the Club.

38.2 In all other respects the property of the Club shall be subject to the control and disposition of the Board of Management. The Board of Management, subject to the approval of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting in accordance with Rule 38.1, is empowered to:-

38.2.1 negotiate loans;

38.2.2 issue debentures;

38.2.3 sell or purchase any real estate on behalf of the Club; and

38.2.4 lease any property of the Club.

38.3 A direction of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Club correctly recorded in the minutes of such meeting, the minutes having been confirmed by the Chairperson of the meeting, imposes an obligation on the Board of Management to operate in accordance with the direction made.

38.4 The duly confirmed minutes provide a justification for the performance of the required direction provided that the terms of the recorded direction have been adhered to.

38.5 No person who is not a member of the Club with voting rights shall be entitled to enquire into the regularity of such direction beyond the verification of the signature of the Chair indicating the minutes are valid.

39 Borrowing Powers

39.1 Subject to this Rule, the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting of the Club may authorise the Board of Management to borrow funds.

39.2 If the Board of Management is authorised to borrow funds pursuant to Rule 39.1 then the Board of Management may borrow funds at such rate of interest, and in such form and manner and upon such security as shall be specified in any such resolution of the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

- 39.3** If the Board of Management is authorised to borrow funds pursuant to Rule 39.1 then the Board of Management shall make all dispositions of the Club's property, or any part thereof, and enter into such agreements in relation thereto as the Board of Management may deem proper for giving security for such loans and interest.
- 39.4** Subject to the Act, the Club may invite and accept deposits of money from any person on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board of Management from time to time.
- 39.5** All members of the Club shall be bound by the decision of the meeting authorising the borrowing of funds.

SECTION 7 - GENERAL

40 Alteration of Rules

- 40.1** These Rules may be altered by a resolution passed by a 75% majority of members present and eligible to vote at an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting called for that purpose.
- 40.2** Not less than twenty-eight (28) days' notice of proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be given to members in the manner outlined in Rule 6. The notice shall also be posted on the notice board of the Club twenty-eight (28) clear days before the general meeting.
- 40.3** Any such new or altered rules shall come into operation from the date of adoption unless another date is specified in the motion.
- 40.4** The alteration shall be registered with Consumer and Business Services which administers the Corporate Affairs Commission, as required by the Act.
- 40.5** Notification of any new rule or alteration to the Constitution is to be provided to Bowls SA within fourteen (14) days of the date of adoption.
- 40.6** The registered rules shall bind the association and every member to the same extent as if they have respectively signed and sealed them, and agreed to be bound by all of the provisions thereof.

41 Interpretation of Rules

In the event of any doubt or difficulty arising as to the meaning of any Rule, By-Law or Regulation, or, should any question arise as to their interpretation, the Board of Management shall have power to pronounce a decision thereon and its decision shall be final and binding on the members, subject only to affirmation or reversal by a Special General Meeting of the Club called for that purpose.

42 Winding Up and Dissolution

- 42.1** The Club may be wound up in the manner provided for in the Act.
- 42.2** In the case of a voluntary winding up or dissolution, the following procedure is to be followed:-
- 42.2.1 the Board of Management shall call a Special General Meeting of the Club to consider whether or not the Club should be wound up or dissolved;
- 42.2.2 a motion to wind up or dissolve the Club must be carried at the Special General Meeting by a majority of those present and entitled to vote;
- 42.2.3 if such a motion is carried then a second Special General Meeting of the Club must be called:-
- (a) not less than one calendar month after the first-mentioned Special General Meeting of the Club; and
- (b) the quorum at this Special General Meeting shall be not less than half of the

members of the Club entitled to vote.

42.2.4 at this second Special General Meeting a Special Resolution motion to confirm the motion to wind up or dissolve the Club shall be put.

42.2.5 if the Special Resolution referred to in Rule 42.2.4 is carried, then the Board of Management must, subject to the provisions of the Act, appoint a person, who may be a member of the Club, to act as liquidator and have the appointment approved by the Corporate Affairs Commission.

42.2.6 on confirmation from the Corporate Affairs Commission of the liquidator's valid appointment, the liquidator will proceed to sell and realise the property and assets of the Club and out of the net proceeds of such sale and realisation to discharge and satisfy all the liabilities of the Club.

43 Application of Surplus Proceeds

If, after the winding up of the Club there remain "surplus assets" as defined in the Act, such surplus assets shall not be distributed among the members but shall be given to other lawn bowling organisation(s) with aligned objects, such as a neighbouring club, Bowls SA or Bowls Australia, or charitable institution(s), or other body(s) as may be determined by the Board of Management in their absolute discretion, unless voted on by the membership at a general meeting duly convened.

44 Application of Benefit

44.1 The Club is a non-proprietary Club. The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects and purposes of the Club. No portion of the income or property of the Club shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonuses or otherwise to any member.

44.2 Nothing contained in Rule 44.1 shall prevent the payment by way of expense reimbursement to any member or Officer Bearer of the Club for services rendered to the Club, nor shall it preclude the paying of wages and relevant employment expenses to a member who is also a staff member of the Club.

45 By-Laws

45.1 The Board of Management shall have power from time to time to make By-Laws and Regulations not inconsistent with these Rules for the efficient working of the Club, and to alter, amend or rescind any By-Law or Regulation as occasion may require.

45.2 A record of all By-Laws and Regulations shall be maintained by the Administrative Secretary and shall be available for inspection by the members.

46 Policy Hierarchy and Provision For Cases Not Provided For

46.1 Within the sport of Bowls, there is a policy and procedure hierarchy that sets out the documentation that defines and governs the sport, the organisations affiliated, and the people involved. This hierarchy is as follows: World Bowls, Bowls Australia, State and Territory Associations (ie Bowls SA), Associations and Clubs. The Club will adhere to this policy hierarchy and uphold the Laws of the Sport.

46.2 In any matter whatsoever which is referred to the Club by Bowls SA, any Association, another Club, or member, that is not provided for in the this Constitution or the Policy Hierarchy in Rule 46.1, or in the current issue of the Laws of the Sport, the Board of Management shall determine such matters and the decision of the Board of Management thereon shall be final, except that the referring party, if dissatisfied with the decision, shall have the right to appeal in accordance with the procedures prescribed within the policy hierarchy in Rule 46.1.

47 Appointment of Delegates to Bowls SA

47.1 The Board of Management shall appoint delegates to represent the Club at General Meetings of Bowls SA in accordance with the requirements set out by and constitution of Bowls SA.

48 Suggestions and Disputes

48.1 All suggestions and complaints to be drawn to the attention of the Board of Management shall be made in writing to the Administrative Secretary, who shall list the same for discussion at the next meeting of the Board of Management.

48.2 If any dispute or disagreement arises between members concerning any matter relevant to the Club, the same may be referred in writing to the Board of Management by either party. The Board of Management shall have the power to deal with such matters as it deems necessary in a manner consistent with these Rules.

49 Privacy Act

The Club, in conducting the business and carrying out the Objects of the Club, shall abide by all relevant Privacy legislation.

50 Emergency Administrative Action

In emergency circumstances, action taken by an Office Bearer or Officer Bearers of the Club and ratified by the Board of Management shall not render any proceedings void unless the members so direct at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

51 Club Access

The club shall be open to members for such times, and on such conditions, as may be decided by the Board of Management from time to time.

52 Visitors

52.1 A member shall be allowed to introduce visitors to the Club on such conditions as the Board of Management shall determine from time to time.

52.2 Notwithstanding Rule 45.1, no person who has been suspended or expelled from membership of a bowling club or whose conduct or presence on the Club's premises may be considered objectionable to the interests of the Club, shall be introduced as a visitor.

53 Damage to Property

53.1 No member shall remove from the Club any property of any kind without the permission of the Board of Management or its delegate,

53.2 Any member who defaces or damages any article which is the property of the Club or removes, breaks or damages any of the Club's property shall pay for, repair or replace the relevant item or property to the satisfaction of the Board of Management.

54 Common Seal

54.1 The Board of Management of the Club shall provide a Common Seal and shall provide for the safe custody thereof.

54.2 The seal shall not be used without the express authorisation of the Board of Management, and every use of the seal shall be recorded in the minute book of the Club.

54.3 The affixing of the seal shall be witnessed by any two of the President, Vice-President, the Administrative Secretary and / or any Office Bearers so appointed by the Board of Management.

54.4 The seal shall not be affixed to any deed, instrument or document except under and by virtue of a resolution of the Board of Management and in the presence of two seal holders, who shall attest every deed, instrument or document to which the seal is affixed, and every such deed instrument or document shall be signed by two seal holders in the following form:-

THE COMMON SEAL of BEAUMONT)
BOWLING CLUB INC)
was hereunto affixed this day of)
in the presence of)

.....
Seal Holder

.....
Seal Holder

54.5 The Administrative Secretary shall maintain a register recording the use of the seal showing:

54.5.1 date affixed;

54.5.2 document and purpose;

54.5.3 names of seal holders who sign the document;

54.5.4 reference to the authority for use, that is, an item in relevant minutes.

55 Laws of the Sport of Bowls

The Laws of the Sport of Bowls as adopted from time to time by Bowls Australia and conducted in accordance with the Rules and By-Laws of Bowls SA shall apply as appropriate to all games played under the control of the Club. Failure to observe any such laws renders the offending player or players liable to disqualification from the competition or match.

56 Greens and Greens Manager

56.1 The Board of Management shall appoint a Greens Manager who shall not necessarily be a member of the Board of Management.

56.2 The Greens Manager shall have full control and supervision of the playing area and power to prevent play at any time when it is considered the playing area may be damaged.

57 Audit

57.1 The Club shall where required by the Act appoint an Auditor and shall cause the accounts of the Club to be audited.

57.2 The Auditor shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting of the Club. The Auditor shall not be a member of the Board of Management and shall be appointed in a manner consistent with the terms of the Act.

57.3 Nominations for the office of Auditor shall be submitted at the Annual General meeting of the Club in each year.

57.4 The Auditor shall have power at all times to examine the books and documents of the Club.

57.5 The Auditor shall, as soon as possible after the close of the Financial Year in each year, audit the Statements of Receipts and Expenditure and Balance Sheets of the Club since the end of the preceding Financial Year. These statements shall be prepared by the Treasurer in accordance with accepted accounting principles.

57.6 The Auditor's Report shall be submitted to the Annual General Meetings of the Club.

58 Standing Orders

The following Standing Orders govern the conduct of business at all meetings, except as otherwise provided in the Rules. In regard to Special General Meetings, the Administrative Secretary shall, in the notice of meeting, specify the matters to be dealt with occasioning the calling of the meeting and no other matter shall be discussed.

58.1 Time Limit

Time limits for speakers, or for the discussion, shall be determined by the Chairman of the meeting.

58.2 Property of the Meeting

Any motion or amendment thereto, having been duly proposed and seconded, becomes the property of the meeting, and cannot be withdrawn unless leave is granted in accordance with these Standing Orders.

58.3 Seconding Motion without Speaking

Any member who seconds a motion without speaking to it may, at a later period, take part in the debate.

58.4 Reply of Mover

In all cases the member moving the motion has the right of reply, and this reply closes the debate.

58.5 Chairman's Ruling

If the Chairman at any time gives a ruling on any matter before the chair, the Chairman may be asked to give the reasons. If the reasons given are not deemed satisfactory, any member may move that the "Chairman's ruling be disagreed with". If the motion is seconded and carried, the Chairman shall forthwith vacate the chair until the matter of his ruling is settled, provided that only the reasons given by the Chairman for his ruling can be discussed, and not the subject matter of the original motion or question. In the absence of the Chairman a deputy, or a person elected for the purpose, will occupy the chair.

58.6 Question Be Now Put

A motion moved and seconded "that the question be now put" shall take precedence over all business and, without any discussion, must immediately be put by the Chairman. The mover and the seconder of this motion shall not be mover or seconder of the original motion. If the motion is carried, the original motion must be put without further debate. A motion "that the question be now put" may not be moved while a member is speaking.

58.7 Motion Withdrawn

A motion or amendment may, at any time, by leave of the meeting, be withdrawn. A motion opposing the withdrawal, if seconded, may be received.

58.8 Motions and Amendments

All motions must be moved and seconded. An amendment to the original motion may be moved at any stage of the discussion, provided a speaker is not interrupted. Notice of a further amendment may be given, and the amendment indicated, without discussion, but it cannot be moved until the first amendment has been disposed of. The Chairman may limit the number of amendments to be received in excess of two. An amendment cannot be a direct negative to the original motion.

58.9 Amendments

An amendment may be made to a motion by:-

58.9.1 Striking out certain words.

58.9.2 Striking out certain words and inserting other words.

58.9.3 Adding or inserting other words.

58.10 Notice of Motion

A notice of motion, other than to change these Rules, shall be submitted in writing, signed by the mover and seconder, to the Administrative Secretary twenty one (21) days prior to the date of the meeting. The Administrative Secretary shall deliver a copy of the notice of motion to all members fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Notices of motion on the same subject shall appear on the notice paper in the order of receipt by the Administrative Secretary.

58.11 Amending Notice of Motion

Any member desiring to amend his/her own notice of motion before moving same at the meeting must ask leave of the seconder and the meeting, and read the amendment.

58.12 Selection of Pennant Teams

When more than one notice of motion is given for a scheme to select pennant team(s) each such notice shall be dealt with as a separate motion thus

- 58.12.1 each motion shall be moved and seconded in the order in which it appears on the notice paper without discussion.
- 58.12.2 each motion may then be discussed, separately, but in the same sequence.
- 58.12.3 amendments to each notice of motion may then be received and dealt with in the same sequence.
- 58.12.4 a vote shall then be taken in a manner which will allow the notice of motion receiving the greatest number of votes to succeed.
- 58.12.5 where no notices of motion have been received by the appropriate time, motions may be received at the meeting and dealt with as indicated in other sections of these Standing Orders.