

RULES
of the
NORTH QUEENSLAND CLUB
TOWNSVILLE

As adopted at the Annual General Meeting
on the 11th September 1996
and amended by the Annual General Meeting
on the 11th September 2011
and amended by the Annual General Meeting
on the 21st August 2014
and amended by the Annual General Meeting
on the 8th September 2016 (email notices etc.)
and amended by the Annual General Meeting
on the 6th September 2018 (Clause 20A)

PATRON

1. The Governor of the State shall be invited to become Patron of the Club.

OBJECTS

2. The objects of the Club are to provide a social and recreational venue for the professional, business, literary and rural communities of North Queensland.

OFFICE BEARERS

3. The affairs of the Club shall be under the management of a President, Immediate Past President, one Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, three Trustees, and a Committee consisting of a minimum of four Members. None but members of the Club shall be honorary office-bearers.
4. The President, Vice-President, Treasurer and the Secretary after nomination, shall be elected (by ballot if necessary) each year at the Annual General Meeting, and, unless sooner removed by death, resignation, or a Special General Meeting of

members of the Club, shall continue in office until the next Annual General Meeting, but shall be eligible for re-election. Any vacancy in any of these offices shall be filled until the next Annual General Meeting by an appointment made by the Committee.

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES

5. Any member willing to become a member of the Committee or President or a Vice-President or Treasurer, or Secretary shall, at least fourteen days before the Annual General Meeting, be proposed and seconded by two members of the Club, in writing, addressed to the Secretary, and the names of all such intending candidates together with the names of their proposers and seconders, shall be exhibited not less than ten days before the Annual General Meeting, in the Club premises by the Secretary.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

6. The Committee, after nomination as prescribed in the last preceding rule, shall be elected by ballot at each Annual General Meeting. If only four members are nominated they shall be declared elected without a ballot. Members of Committee shall retire annually but are eligible for re-election. Any vacancy occurring during the year shall be filled until the next Annual General Meeting by an appointment made by the Committee.

CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE

7. The President, Immediate Past President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Trustees shall be ex-officio members of the Committee.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8. The Committee shall meet for the transaction of business at least once a month. Any Member of Committee including including any ex-officio member, who is absent from three consecutive meetings duly convened, without the leave of the Secretary shall cease to be a Member thereof and in the case of any ex-officio Member other than a Trustee shall forfeit appointment as a member of the Committee. Four members shall form a quorum.

POWER OF COMMITTEE TO MAKE BY-LAWS

9. The Committee shall have power from time to time, when and as they shall think fit to pass By-laws for the regulation of the affairs of the Club, provided that they are not inconsistent with any of the general rules, and to alter or repeal any such By-laws. A record of the By-laws shall be kept in the Club House.

TRUSTEES

10. There shall be three Trustees in whom all the property of the Club, real or personal, shall be vested in trust for the members for the time being. The Trustees shall continue in office until death or resignation, or until a General Meeting of the members shall think proper to remove them or any of them. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of any Trustee or Trustees, a new Trustee or Trustees shall be elected at an Annual or Special General Meeting to fill any vacancy or vacancies so occurring.

MONEYS

11. The Secretary shall receive all Entrance Fees, subscriptions and any other moneys and account to the Treasurer for the same and the official receipt of the Club shall be a sufficient discharge. All sums received shall be paid into the Bank at which the Club transacts its business daily and all accounts shall be laid by the Secretary before the Committee once a month.

TREASURER TO REPORT TO COMMITTEE

12. The Treasurer shall keep an account of all moneys received and disbursed and submit the same to the Committee once in every month and at any other time the Committee shall deem fit.

PAYMENTS

13. All payments shall be made under the order of and in manner decided on by the Committee.

MEMBERS' INTEREST IN CLUB PROPERTY

14. (a) No member or associate shall have any transmissible or assignable interest by operation of law or otherwise in any of the property of the Club. On any Member or Associate ceasing by death, resignation, or otherwise, to be such, that members or associates interests shall survive, accrue and belong to the other members and associates for the time being.
- (b) No member or associate shall be entitled to any distribution whatsoever in money, property or otherwise howsoever, from the profits, funds or other assets of the Club.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

15. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held not later than the 15th September in each year for the purpose of electing Office bearers, of considering the Committee's Report, and abstract of the state of the accounts of the Club for the past year, of dealing with the propositions for any new rule, or alteration of any existing

rule of the Club, and considering any other matter in reference to the Club which may be brought forward, either personally or by letter "or email", by any member; and the report and the abstract of the state of the accounts shall be exhibited in the Club House for fourteen days prior to the meeting and a copy of such report, and abstract shall be sent by post, or by email where the member has provided the Club with an email address to each member at least fourteen days prior to the Meeting. At such Meeting fifteen members shall form a quorum.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

16. The Committee may at any time call a Special General Meeting on giving not less than seven clear days notice of its subject or objects, and shall call one on the written requisition of seven members by giving fourteen clear days' notice thereof. Such notice shall be deemed to be served on a member four business days after it has been posted at the Townsville Post Office or if transmitted by email, when the email becomes capable of being retrieved by the member at the email address. At such Special General Meetings fifteen members shall form a quorum.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETINGS

17. In every case of a meeting of members if, on the lapse of half-an-hour after the time appointed, a quorum shall not be present, the meeting shall thereupon stand adjourned until the same day and hour the following week and all such Meetings shall have power to adjourn their proceedings from time to time for any period not exceeding fourteen days.

PRESIDING MEMBER

18. The President or, in the President's absence, the Vice-President, shall preside at all Meetings of Members and all Committee Meetings, but, if none of them be present, the Members of Committee shall elect a member to preside from amongst themselves.

RESOLUTIONS BINDING ON MEMBERS

19. All resolutions passed at Meetings of the Club shall be conclusive and binding on all the members and associates of the club whether they shall have been present at such Meeting or not, provided that such Meeting be held in conformity with the Rules of the Club.

MODE OF VOTING

20. At all Meetings of members (except where express provisions otherwise are made in these rules) and at all Committee meetings the mode of voting shall be by show of hands or, if required by any member, by division; and the member presiding shall have an ordinary and, in case of equality, also a casting vote. All questions (except

where otherwise specifically provided in these rules) shall be decided by a majority of such votes.

20A **Proxies**

A member may appoint another member as proxy to attend and vote at meetings of the Club but only in accordance with this Rule.

A member shall not be able to hold a proxy for more than one other member.

An instrument appointing a proxy must be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of the appointor's attorney duly authorised in writing.

An instrument appointing a proxy may specify the manner in which the proxy is to vote in respect of a particular resolution and, where an instrument of proxy so provides, the proxy is not entitled to vote on the resolution except as specified in the instrument.

An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or in a form that is as similar to the following form as the circumstances allow:

NQ Club		
I/We,		
of		
being a member/members of the abovenamed club, hereby appoint		
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of		
or, in that person's absence,		
of		
as my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the		
<div style="margin-left: 40px;"> general meeting* annual general meeting* </div>		
of the Club to be held on the		
	day of	20
and at any adjournment of that meeting.		
+This form is to be used *IN FAVOUR of the motion/resolution OR *AGAINST the motion/resolution.		

Signed this	day of	20	.
..... (Signature)			
*Strike out whichever is not desired. +To be inserted if desired.			

The appointment of a proxy is not valid unless the following documents are received by the club at least forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting:

- (i) the instrument appointing the proxy;
- (ii) if the instrument is signed by the appointor's attorney, the authority under which the instrument is signed or a certified copy of the authority.

MINUTES

- 21. The Secretary shall keep full and accurate Minutes of the proceedings at all Meetings of members as well as all meetings of the Committee, and it shall be the duty of the Member presiding to certify to the correctness of such Minutes if approved by the members present.
- 22.
 - (a) Particulars of all proposals for membership and associateship (other than as Honorary Members) of the Club shall forthwith upon the making of the same, be entered, in the order or time in which such proposals are received by the Secretary of the Club, in a book (hereinafter referred to as the "Proposed Members and Associates Register") to be kept by the Secretary. Every such entry shall set forth the full name and address of the lady or gentleman proposed and the time and date of the receipt by the Secretary of the proposal.
 - (b) The Secretary shall keep a record book (hereinafter referred to as the "Members and Associates Admission Book") in which shall be entered: -
 - (i) particulars of the date of the holding of every meeting convened for the purpose of dealing with and determining the election in accordance with these rules of any proposed member or associate (other than Honorary Members) of the Club;
 - (ii) the names of the members present and voting on the question of the admission of each and every person proposed as a member at such meetings, and
 - (iii) the names of the ladies and gentlemen so proposed and whether they are accepted as members or associates or not.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATES

23. (a) The number of members and associates is unlimited. No person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall be admitted a member or associate of the Club and no liquor shall be sold or supplied in the Club to any person under the age of eighteen (18) years.
- (b) Subject as hereinafter provided members or associates shall be either Town Members or Associates or Country Members or Associates. Only ladies or gentlemen residing more than fifty kilometres from the Townsville Post Office are eligible to become Country Members or Associates, provided that a Town Member or Associate who may subsequently change place of residence to a distance of more than fifty kilometres from the Townsville Post Office may upon application in writing if approved by the Committee be transferred to the Register of Country Members or Associates and shall thereafter be a Country Member or Associate.
- (c) (i) Any member other than an Honorary Member may propose a person who has been known personally to the member for at least three months for admission as a member or associate of the Club either as a Town Member or as a Country Member;
- (ii) Each such proposal for membership shall be seconded by three members each of whom shall have known the nominee for at least three months;
- (iii) Nominations for membership as a Town Member or Associate or Country Member or Associate must be made in writing to the Secretary and shall be in such form as the Committee shall determine;
- (iv) The proposed member or associate must, in the form of nomination, agree, if elected as a member or associate, to be bound by the Rules and By-laws of the Club;
- (v) The form of nomination for membership shall be displayed in a conspicuous place in the Club premises for at least two weeks before election and prior to such election members of the Club may make their views as to the suitability for membership of the proposed member or associate known to the Committee;
- (vi) All nominations for such membership shall be dealt with and determined by election by the Committee at a meeting or meetings duly convened after the Committee has given due consideration and such enquiry as it may deem necessary. Should there be equality of votes at such election, the member presiding shall have a casting vote;
- (vii) The Secretary shall advise the nominee of the results of the election. If elected, the Secretary shall provide the new member or associate with a copy of the Rules and By-laws of the Club, which thereupon become binding upon the new member or associate and shall advise

the new member or associate of the amount of the Entrance Fee and Annual Subscription. No elected candidate shall be a member or associate of the Club until the Entrance Fee is paid and, if a Town Member or Associate, the subscription to the end of the current quarter and, if a Country Member or Associate, the subscription to the end of the current year. If not elected the nominee shall not be again nominated for membership until the expiration of a period of six months from the date of the election.

FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

24. (a) Subject to Rule 24 (b) every member or associate shall pay an Entrance Fee and every Town Member or Associate shall pay an Annual Subscription payable quarterly in advance on the first days of July, October, January and April; Country Members or Associates shall pay an Annual subscription payable yearly on the 1st July in advance. Such Entrance Fee and Annual Subscriptions shall be fixed by the Committee from time to time. If any Country Member or Associate shall come to reside within fifty kilometres of Townsville, that member or associate shall cease to be a Country Member or Associate, but may be admitted as a Town Member or Associate upon application in writing, if approved by the Committee present at a meeting to which such application has been submitted and upon payment thereafter of the prescribed Annual Subscription for the Town Members or Associates.

(b) Any member who is employed in a corporate structure or public service department and who is subject to transfer from Townsville as a consequence of such employment, and is so transferred (the transferred member), then in that event any person who is transferred into the position within the corporate structure or public service department to replace the transferred member and who is nominated for membership of this Club and is accepted as a member of this Club pursuant to Rule 23 hereof, (the new member) shall not be liable to pay the entrance fee referred to in Rule 24 (a) hereof and shall be entitled to the benefit of any annual subscription paid by the transferred member.

This rule shall only apply where the transferred member has resigned his membership pursuant to Rule 30 hereof and any outstanding fees or moneys payable to the Club by the transferred member shall remain the liability and responsibility of the transferred member.

Despite the fact that the new member shall not have paid an entrance fee, his application for membership pursuant to this provision shall imply his acquiescence in the Rules and By-laws of the club.

25. The Committee may charge such additional subscriptions at any time or times as it thinks fit (with power to differentiate between Town and Country members or associates as to amounts) for any purpose approved by the Club in General Meeting and such additional subscriptions shall be payable as determined by the Committee and notified in writing to members or associates.

MEMBERS EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

26. Members or associates of the Club, who are also members of the Australian Defence Force shall if absent for one quarter or more from their usual place of residence on Defence Force duties, be exempt from payment of any subscription payable under Rule 24 for such quarter or quarters as they shall have been absent.

FAILURE TO PAY SUBSCRIPTIONS

27. If any member or associate shall fail to pay any subscription payable under either Rule 24 or Rule 25 within two calendar months from the date on which it became payable by that member or associate, the Committee may by at least fourteen days' notice in writing call up such Member or Associate to appear before it and show cause why such member or associate should not cease to be a member or associate and if the Committee shall, by two-thirds of the Committee then present and voting, resolve that such member or associate has failed to show cause as aforesaid, such member or associate shall thereupon cease to be a member or associate of the Club.

INSOLVENCY

28. If any member or associate shall become bankrupt, or make any assignment for the benefit of or composition with that member's or associate's creditors, that member or associate shall, in the discretion of the Committee be liable to be dealt with in accordance with Rule 27.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO IMPLY ACQUIESCENCE

29. The payment of the Entrance Fee, or any Subscription, shall imply a member's or associate's acquiescence in the Rules and By-laws of the Club.

RESIGNATION

30. Any member or associate may resign membership or associateship at any time by notifying such resignation in writing to the Secretary and thereupon shall cease to be a member or associate of the Club, but no such resignation shall relieve such member or associate from the payment of any Subscription or other money, due or payable at the time of such resignation.

RE-ADMISSION OF MEMBERS BY COMMITTEE

31. Any member or associate who resigns as a member or associate of the Club may be re-admitted by the Committee, without the payment of the Entrance Fee, provided that a majority of the Committee then present and voting vote for such re-admission.

SENIOR AND VETERAN MEMBERS

32. A Town or Country Member who has been a member of the Club for at least 30 years shall become a Senior Member and shall thereafter pay only 50% of the yearly fees and levies payable by a Town or Country Member as the case may be, and after 40 years membership shall become a Veteran Member and shall pay only 25% of the yearly fees and levies payable by a Town or Country Member as the case may be.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

33. On the recommendation of the Committee, ordinary members may in special circumstances, be elected at an Annual General Meeting Life Members of the Club and shall thereafter be entitled to all the privileges of membership without paying any Subscription or any special payment for such Life Membership. A two-thirds majority of those present and voting shall be necessary to ensure election. There shall not be more than Five Life Members of the Club at any one time, and not more than one Life Member may be elected at any one time, and the Election shall be held not less than one year after the previous election of a Life Member.

HONORARY MEMBERS

34. A visitor to Townsville may be admitted as an Honorary Member to the Club for any period not exceeding one month, on the nomination in writing of a Member, signed and approved by the President or a Member of the Committee, and if the Honorary Member's stay shall exceed that period the Committee shall have power to extend the Honorary membership from month to month, on payment per month in advance of such amount as the Committee may from time to time determine, limited to six months, upon the application in writing from the Honorary Member to the Secretary.

VISITORS FROM CLUBS RECIPROCATING WITH NORTH QUEENSLAND CLUB

35. A visitor to Townsville who is a member of a Club reciprocating with the North Queensland Club shall, on production to the President, a Vice-President or the Secretary, of a letter of introduction from such reciprocating Club or on otherwise satisfying the President, a Vice-President or the Secretary of such membership thereof by virtue of such membership, be entitled to become an Honorary Member of the Club for a period of one month or for such further period not exceeding three months as is provided by the Rules of the particular Club having reciprocal arrangements with the North Queensland Club, of which the visitor is a member and if the visitor's stay shall exceed that period, the Committee shall have power to extend the Honorary Membership from month to month on the payment per month in advance of such amount as the Committee may from time to time determine, limited to six months, upon the application in writing from the Honorary Member to the Secretary.

EXTENSION OF HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

36. Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, in the case of a visitor to Townsville, who, after being admitted to Honorary Membership, leaves Townsville before the expiration of one month from the date from such admission, and thereafter

returns to Townsville, the President, a Vice-President or the Secretary shall have power to extend the Honorary membership of such visitor for any period, or periods, which, together with the period actually spent by the Honorary Member in Townsville before the expiration of one month from the date of admission to Honorary Membership, shall not in the aggregate exceed thirty days in any one year, and no visitor shall be liable to make any payment in respect of such extension of Honorary Membership.

REGISTER OF HONORARY MEMBERS

37. The Secretary shall keep a Register Book comprising the particulars contained in the nomination papers of Honorary Members.

LIMITATION OF RIGHTS OF HONORARY MEMBERS

38. No Honorary Member shall be permitted to hold any office in the Club or attend any business meeting of the Club except on the invitation of the Committee or vote at any Meeting of the members of the Club, or have any right, title or interest in or to any of the property of the Club.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS AND GUESTS

39. Any member or associate may introduce visitors over the age of eighteen years into the Club, subject to such By-laws as the Committee may make and to the following provisos:
- (a) No particular visitor shall be introduced on more than two days in any one calendar month.
 - (b) The visitor shall be the guest of the introducing member or associate, who shall enter and sign in a book kept for that purpose the date of each introduction, the name, address and occupation of each visitor introduced, and such member or associate shall remain with each visitor so introduced during the visitor's stay in the Club.
 - (c) No visitor shall be introduced –
 - (i) who has applied unsuccessfully for membership until the expiration of six calendar months after such unsuccessful application;
 - (ii) who has ceased to be a member or associate pursuant to Rule 27;
 - (iii) who has been expelled pursuant to Rule 41;
 - (iv) who has been refused admission as a visitor by the Committee.
 - (d) The Committee may either specifically or generally refuse admission of a visitor or visitors at any time and from time to time.

USE OF CLUB FOR ADVERTISING

40. Members or Associates shall not use the name of the Club or its address in any advertisement pamphlet circular or letter for business or professional purposes. Members or Associates shall not place or cause to be placed in any part or parts of the Club premises any advertisement pamphlet circular letter paper or publication of any nature whatsoever without the prior approval of the Committee.

EXPULSION

41. Any member or associate who shall be proved guilty of wilfully infringing the Rules or By-laws or of unbecoming or dishonourable conduct, or of acting in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Club, shall be liable to be expelled by a Special General Meeting. Before a Meeting is called to take into consideration the conduct of a member or associate, a charge against the member or associate must be submitted to the Committee, in writing, by another member or associate. A copy of the charge shall be forthwith transmitted to the member or associate accused and if, after due investigation, the Committee shall be of opinion that the matter requires to be brought under the notice of the Club, it shall convene a Special General Meeting in conformity with Rule 16 and shall cause the member or associate accused to be duly informed of the day and hour of the meeting. The votes at such meeting shall be taken by ballot when, if two-thirds of the votes shall be for the expulsion of such member or associate, and if, also, the members so voting for expulsion shall exceed fifteen, but not otherwise, such member or associate shall be expelled and shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Club. This Rule shall not in any way limit or derogate from the provisions of Rules 27 and 28 hereof.

CLUB OPENING HOURS

42. The Club shall be open for the reception of members or associates between such hours as the Committee may from time to time determine, subject to the provisions of the relevant liquor licensing laws.

GRATUITIES

43. No member or associate shall give any money or gratuity to any employee of the Club. No employee of the Club shall directly or indirectly receive any present, money or gratuity from any tradesman employed by the Club, under pain of immediately dismissal.

ANIMALS

44. No member or associate shall on any account bring any animal into the Club House.

ACCOUNTS

45. All members and associates are to pay their bills monthly for every expense they incur in the Club House. Any member or associate whose account shall remain unpaid for two months after the month in which such account was incurred shall, if the Committee so determines, be required to pay an additional amount of 10% on such account so long as the sum remains unpaid, and shall be liable to be dealt with by the Committee pursuant to Rule 27 of these Rules in every respect as though the member's or associate's monthly account was a subscription as described in that Rule.

NEGLECT TO PAY ACCOUNTS

46. If a member or associate neglects to pay the Member's or Associate's account with the Club (whether such account be for subscriptions or any other type of expense incurred by the member in the Club House) the Committee may direct the Secretary to apply in writing to the member or Associate for payment of the amount and, if the member or associate neglects to pay the amount then owing within such time as the Committee may fix, the member shall be debarred from using the Club house or incurring any further debt therein and the Secretary shall intimate in writing to such member or associate that the member or associate is so debarred; but upon payment of such account, together with interest at the rate of 10%, such member or associate shall be restored to his full privileges as a member or associate of the Club.

COMPLAINTS

47. All complaints shall be stated in a letter addressed to the Secretary and signed by the member or associate complaining, which letter shall be laid before the Committee at the next meeting, and to such complaints an answer shall be sent by letter from the Secretary. No member or associate shall make a complaint in any other manner or personally reprimand any employee of the Club.

BREAKAGES AND DAMAGES TO PROPERTY

48. Any member or associate breaking or otherwise damaging the property of the Club shall pay such sum as may be adjudged by the Committee sufficient to cover the damage. Each sum shall be deemed to be an expense of such member or associate and shall be debited in his account with the Club.

ADDRESSES

49. Members and Associates are to notify addresses and changes thereof from time to time to the Secretary and all notices sent to such addresses shall be considered as duly delivered.

COMMITTEE EMPOWERED TO BORROW MONEY

50. If any time the Club in General Meeting shall pass a resolution authorising the Committee to borrow money, the Committee shall thereupon be empowered to

borrow for the purpose of the Club such amount of money, either at one time or from time to time, and at such rate of interest, and in such form and manner and upon such security as shall be specified in such resolution and thereupon the Trustees shall, at the direction of the Committee, make all such disposition of the Club property, or any part thereof, and enter into such agreement in relation thereto as the Committee may deem proper for giving security for such loan and interest. All members of the Club, whether voting on such resolutions or not, and all persons becoming members of the Club after the passing of such Resolution, shall be deemed to have assented to the same as if they had voted in favour of such resolution.

DISSOLUTION OF CLUB

51. On application in writing, made to the Committee by twenty members signifying their desire that the Club shall be dissolved, a Special General Meeting shall be called to consider the question, of which meeting and its objects, notice shall be posted in the Club House for three months immediately preceding the day of Meeting. The votes of at least two-thirds of the members present and voting at such Special General Meeting, fifteen members at least voting, shall be necessary to carry the proposition for dissolution.
52. In the event of dissolution of the Club pursuant to Rule 51 or for any other reason, and there remains, after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association, but shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Association, and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members, such institution or institutions to be determined by the members of the Club.

NEW RULES

53. No new rule or alteration, nor suspension of a rule shall be made without the sanction of two-thirds of the members present and voting at an Annual or a Special General Meeting, fifteen members at least voting, nor unless the proposed rule, or alteration, or suspension, be signed by two members and posted in the Club House twenty-eight days before the Meeting. Such Meeting may take any addition to, or any amendment in, any proposed new rule or alteration, although the terms of such addition or amendment may not have been posted up.

RULES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH LIQUOR LICENSING LAWS

54. Every Rule and By-law shall be read and construed subject to the provisions of the relevant liquor licensing laws to the intent that where any Rule or By-law or any part of any Rule or By-law of the Club is inconsistent or at variance with the provisions such laws, the said Rule or By-law or part thereof shall be valid and binding to the extent to which it is not inconsistent or at variance with and the provisions of such laws so far as applicable shall be deemed to be incorporated in and form part of the Rules of the Club.

P. S. Askin
President

Judge C.F. Wall QC
Secretary

Schedule 1 – Membership and Associateship

1. For the purposes of this Rule “Member” or “Members” means:
 - (a) An Individual Member who is a natural person over the age of 18 years nominated and accepted as a member pursuant to the provisions of these Rules; and
2. Associate means any one of the following only:
 - (a) Young Associate – Any person aged between 18 years and 35 years of age. A Young Associate will cease to be an Associate on his or her 35th birthday; or
 - (b) Spouse Associate – means the Spouse or Partner of a Member.
3. An Associate may become a Member at any time; however an Associate must be elected as a Member in accordance with Rule 23. Until such time as an Associate becomes a Member, an Associate:
 - (a) Does not have the right to vote at any Meeting, but may attend the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting;
 - (b) Cannot attend a Committee Meeting of the Club unless invited by the Committee to attend;
 - (c) Cannot be an honorary office-bearer;
 - (d) Cannot propose nor second any Member willing to become a Member of the Committee or President or a Vice-President, or Treasurer or Secretary;
 - (e) Cannot propose any new Rule, or alteration of any existing Rule of the Club or propose any other matter in reference to the Club, either personally or by letter at the Annual General Meeting; and
 - (f) Cannot preside over any Meeting of Members or Committee Meetings.