



CONSTITUTION
OF
GRANDVIEWS MEN'S BOWLING CLUB

ABN: 93 426 644 960

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Grandviews Men's Bowling Club

Constitution

1. NAME OF CLUB.

- 1.1 The name of the club is Grandviews Men's Bowling Club.

2. PRELIMINARY

- 2.1 The club is established for the purposes set out in this constitution.
- 2.2 A copy of the constitution of the club shall be supplied to a member on request being made to the secretary.

3. DEFINITIONS

- 3.1
- (a) "Biennial general meeting" means the annual general meeting held in the year 2011 and every second annual general meeting thereafter being the meeting at which the committee is to retire and the members elect a new committee.
- (b) "Committee" means the members for the time being of the management committee of the club constituted in accordance with this constitution.
- (c) "By-Laws" shall mean the by-laws made in accordance with this constitution.
- (d) "Club" means Grandviews Men's Bowling Club ABN: 93 426 644 960
- (e) "Club Notice Board" means a board designated as such and located in a conspicuous place within the club premises on which notices for the information of members are posted.
- (f) "Constitution" means this constitution.
- (g) "Rules" means the rules comprising this constitution and the constitution of the Registered Club.

4. OBJECTS

4.1 The objects of the club are:

- (a) To play and promote the game of bowls.
- (b) To engender, by association a fraternal feeling amongst the bowlers and to preserve and promote the best traditions of the game.
- (c) To conform at all times with the requirements of the laws of the game as adopted from time to time by the Royal New South Wales Bowling Association and with the constitution of Grandviews Bowling and Recreation Club Limited (herein after called "The Registered Club").

5. FUNDS

5.1

- (a) The funds of the club are at all times regarded as the property of the registered club.
- (b) The club may open an account with a Bank or Building Society
- (c) Withdrawals are to be signed by the President or Treasurer together with any other member of the management committee.

6. MEMBERSHIP

6.1 The membership of the club shall comprise all male bowling members of the Registered Club.

6.2 The membership of the club shall be divided into the following categories

- a) Bowling Members
- b) Multiple Members
- c) Junior Members
- d) Life Members

6.3 Bowling Members are members who shall meet the requirements of a "full member" as defined in the Constitution of the Royal New South Wales Bowling Association (herein after called "The Royal Constitution").

6.4 Multiple members are members who shall meet the requirements of a "Multiple Member" as defined in the Royal Constitution.

6.5 Junior Members are members who shall meet the requirements of a "Junior Member" as defined in the Royal Constitution.

6.6 Life Members

a) A life member shall be any member who in consideration of long or meritorious service to the club or for any other commendable reason has been granted life membership of the club in accordance with this constitution.

b) Life membership may only be conferred at a general meeting of the club (including an Annual General Meeting).

c) Candidates for life membership shall be proposed by one and seconded by another bowling member or life member and submitted to the committee for approval.

d) If a nomination for life membership is approved by the committee the nomination shall be referred to the next general meeting of the club and not less than twenty one (21) days written notice of the nomination shall be given to all members eligible to vote at that meeting.

e) If a nomination for the life membership is not approved by the committee, the nomination shall not be submitted to a general meeting of the club.

f) Election for life membership must be conducted by secret ballot.

g) If a nomination for life membership is approved by a resolution passed by not less than a three quarters majority of the members present and voting at the general meeting, the person nominated shall thereby be a life member of the club.

h) Every life member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a bowling member.

i) A life member is relieved from the payment of any annual subscription.

7. FEES

7.1 The committee shall fix annual fees and subscriptions (if any) which shall be in addition to any moneys payable to the registered club as required under rule 16 of the constitution of the registered club.

8. NON FINANCIAL MEMBERS

8.1 Any member who is not a financial member as defined in rule 3.2 of the constitution of the registered club shall be bound by the rules for non financial members as set out in rule 17 of the constitution of the registered club.

9. FINANCIAL YEAR

9.1 The club's financial year shall coincide with the financial year of the registered club.

10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS, OTHER MEETINGS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

a) The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held immediately after the Annual General Meeting of the Registered Club.

b) The Annual General Meeting, any other General Meetings and Meetings of the Committee shall be convened and held in accordance with the constitution of the Registered Club relating to the Annual General Meetings, General Meetings or Meetings of the Board respectively subject however to Rule 13.2 hereof and except :

i.) References to the "Board" shall be read as references to the Committee.

ii.) References to "Chairman" or "Deputy Chairman" shall be read as references to "President" or "Vice President".

iii.) References to "Directors" shall be read as references to "Committee Members".

iv.) The Quorum of the Committee shall be four (4).

v.) The Quorum for an Annual General Meeting or General Meeting shall be Twenty (20) members.

13.2 Subject to rule 12.1, 12.3 and 13.3 the following members shall be entitled to stand for and be elected or appointed to the Committee and to vote at any meeting of the Club:

- (a) Life Members
- (b) Bowling Members

13.3 A member who is;

- a) Currently under suspension pursuant to rule 20 of the Registered Club or rule 11 of the Club
- b) Not a financial member

Shall not be eligible to stand for or be elected or appointed to the Committee.

13.4 The Delegate of the Selectors appointed or elected pursuant to the rule 13.5 hereof shall be a Committee Man, provided that if he is already an Office Bearer of the Committee, he shall serve in a dual capacity but shall exercise only one (1) vote and the number of members of the committee shall be reduced accordingly.

13.5 Selectors

(a) The Committee shall by By-law determine from time to time the number, if any, Selectors there shall be in addition to the Chairman of Selectors.

(b) The Committee shall from time to time determine by By-law the manner of election of the Chairman of Selectors and if applicable, the other Selectors and the categories, if any, of them.

(c) The Committee shall from time to time determine by By-law the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Chairman of Selectors and if relevant, the other Selectors.

14. BY-LAWS

14.1 The Committee may make such By-laws not inconsistent with this Constitution as in the opinion of the Committee are necessary or desirable for the proper conduct and management of the club and may amend or repeal any such By-laws.

11. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

11.1 Subject to rule 11.2, the Committee shall have the power to reprimand, fine, suspend, expel or accept the resignation of any member if that member:

(a) in the reasonable opinion of the Committee, has willfully refused or neglected to comply with any of the provisions of this constitution or any By-Law; or

(b) is in the reasonable opinion of the Committee;

(i) guilty of any conduct prejudicial to the interests of the club; or

(ii) guilty of conduct which is unbecoming of a member.

11.2 Proceedings shall follow the same procedure as set out in the constitution of the Registered Club except:

a) References to the "Board" shall be read as references to the "Committee".

b) References to the "Directors" shall be read as references to the "Committee Members".

12. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

12.1 The Management and administration of the club shall vest in the committee which shall consist of ten (10) members who shall comprise a President, Senior Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Bowls Secretary, a Board Representative, a delegate of the selectors and three (3) Ordinary Members from which there shall be appointed a Junior Vice President.

12.2 The positions of President, Senior Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Bowls Secretary and committee men shall be elected biennially at the same time as the Directors of the registered club.

12.3 The position of Board Representative shall be held by the person holding office as Bowling Clubs Representative on the board of the registered club.

13. ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE

13.1 The election of the Committee shall follow the same procedure as set out in the constitution of the registered club for the election of the board. The order of seniority set out in rule 27.1 (j) of that constitution shall be read as

- (I) President
- (II) Senior Vice President
- (III) Secretary
- (IV) Treasurer
- (V) Ordinary Member

14.2 Any By-law made under this rule 14.1 or any other Rule shall come into force and be fully operative upon the posting of an appropriate notice containing such By-law on the club notice board.

14.3 The Committee shall cause a copy of all By-laws to be made available to any member on request and without charge to that member.

15. PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

15.1 The Proceedings of the Committee shall be covered and held in accordance with rule 29 of the Registered club except;

- a) References to the Board shall be read as references to the Committee.
- b) References to the Chairperson or Deputy Chairman shall be read as references to the President or Vice President.
- c) References to Directors shall be read as references to Committee Members.

16. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

16.1 The members in General Meeting may by ordinary resolution:

- a) Remove from office any Committee member, Committee members or the whole Committee before the expiration of his or their period of office.
- b) Appoint another person or persons in his or their stead provided any person so appointed is eligible to be a Committee person in accordance with this Constitution.

16.2 Any person appointed pursuant to paragraph 16.1 (b) shall hold office during such time only as the person whose place he is appointed would have held the same if he had not been so removed.

16.3 Notice of the intention to move a resolution to remove a member of the Committee from office must be given to the Club at least two (2) months before the meeting at which the resolution is to be considered and voted on.

17. VACANCIES ON THE COMMITTEE

17.1 The office of a member of the Committee shall automatically be vacated if the person holding that office;

a) is absent from meetings of the Committee for a continuous period of three (3) months without leave of absence from the Committee and the Committee resolves that the office be vacated.

b) By notice in writing given to the Secretary resigns from office as a Committee member.

c) Ceases to be a member of the Club.

18. CASUAL VACANCIES

18.1 The Committee may at any time appoint any eligible person to the Committee to fill a casual vacancy in respect of the Committee or additional selectors or to fill a vacant position arising from insufficient nominations being received to fill that position and the member so appointed shall hold office until the next election.

19. DUTIES OF SECRETARY

- (a) Issue all notices and keep minutes of all meetings.
- (b) Maintain membership list and attend to registrations.
- (c) Receive and dispatch correspondence and submit such reports as may be required.

20. DUTIES OF BOWLS SECRETARY

In conjunction with the Selectors (and the Match Committee Chairman).

- (a) Assist in arrangements of competition and pennant matches.
- (b) Assist in arrangements of social games of bowls and the selection of players therefore.
- (c) Post on the notice board all teams, selections, fixtures and notices.
- (d) Furnish match results to media and / or recorders.

21. DUTIES OF TREASURER

- (a) Receive all monies and pay all accounts after due and proper authorisation.
- (b) Maintain proper books of account and submit detailed statements to the Committee as required and to the Annual General Meeting.

- (c) Supply such information, details, and statements as may be required by the board of the registered club from time to time.

22. DUTIES OF SELECTORS

- (a) To select teams for pennant fixtures and other competitive fixtures where the Club is to be represented as a club.
- (b) The selection of Saturday social bowls and such other social games as shall be held from time to time.

23. SUB-COMMITTEES

- (a) At its first meeting after election the Committee shall elect Sub-Committees or assistants as follows:
 - I. A Chairman of Match Committee
 - II. Bowls Instructor(s)
 - III. Assistant Bowls Secretary.
- (b) Other Sub-Committees may be elected as required.
- (c) Duties of all Sub-Committees shall be set out in regulations.

24. DELEGATES

The Committee shall appoint Delegates to the Sydney South (Zone 13) Bowling Association and any other body to which the Club is entitled to representation. Delegates shall present a precise report of meetings to each Committee Meeting.

25. INTERPRETATION

25.1 A decision of the Committee on the Construction or interpretation of the Constitution or any rule or any By-law of the club made pursuant to this Constitution or on any matter arising therefrom shall be conclusive and binding on all members of the club.

26. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

This Constitution can only be amended by way of Special Resolution passed at a general meeting of the members of the club. Life members and Bowling members shall be the only members eligible to vote on any Special Resolution to amend this Constitution.

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