

**REGULATIONS**  
**of the**  
**ARMADALE BOWLS CLUB @ SOUTH CAULFIELD**  
**ARMADALE BOWLS CLUB INC.**

**DATED: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016**

**(to be read in conjunction with the**  
**Constitution and Rules**  
**of the**  
**Armadale Bowls Club Inc)**

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**MEMBERS**

1. (a) Any person wishing to become an Affiliated, Social, or Junior Member of the Club as defined in clauses 2, 3, 4 of the Regulations must be proposed by a voting member and seconded by another voting member on the official Club Nomination Form designated for this purpose. The Nomination Form should contain the name, address, telephone numbers, email, date of birth and occupation of the candidate and the date of application.
- (b) The Nomination Paper, when properly completed, shall be delivered to the Honorary Secretary who shall :-
  - (i) Place the Nomination Form on a Notice Board at the Club for exhibition for at least seven (7) days;
  - (ii) Arrange for the Nominee to be interviewed by an interviewing committee appointed by the Board;
  - (iii) When Regulation 1(b)(i) and Regulation 1(b)(ii) have been completed, refer the Nomination to the Board as soon as practicable after the expiry of the period of exhibition.
- (c) Any objection by other Club Member(s) to the Nominee becoming a Member of the Club shall be in writing to the Honorary Secretary for consideration by the Board. All Applicants shall be elected by the Board and four adverse votes shall exclude the applicant and a record shall be kept by the Honorary Secretary. The Board need not give a reason for the non-acceptance of the Nomination.
- (d) Immediately on the election of a new Member the Honorary Secretary shall send to that member notice thereof. Such notice shall include a statement of the amount to be paid by the member within twenty eight (28) days after the date of the notice, for entrance fee (if any), subscription and any other amounts payable under the Rules and Regulations of the Club for the time being in force.
- (e) If a newly elected Member fails to pay their subscription and any other amounts due within the designated twenty eight (28) days (see clause 1(d) above), their election shall be void unless justification of the delay can be given to the Board.
- (f) The payment of the subscription or using the Club's property shall be deemed to be a Member's acceptance of the Constitution and Regulations of the Club.
- (g) Any person whose application for membership is rejected or whose election is voided under Regulation 1(e) shall not again be nominated for a period of at least six (6) months from the date of the rejection or voidance of membership.

### **AFFILIATED MEMBERS**

2. (a) Any person 18 years or over is eligible to be an Affiliated Member of the Club in accordance with the Constitution on payment of an annual subscription for Full membership subject to the following conditions;
- (b) Affiliated Members shall have the right to vote at Annual Meetings, General Meetings and Special General Meetings and to hold office on the Board or Bowls Committee provided that;
  - (i) An Affiliated Member must serve a minimum of 1 (one) year on a Committee of the Armadale Bowls Club Incorporated before being eligible to stand for election for the position of President or Vice-President of the Board.
  - (ii) An Affiliated Member must serve a minimum of 1 (one) year on a Committee of the Armadale Bowls Club Incorporated before being eligible to stand for election for the position of Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Bowls Committee.
- (c) Affiliated Members shall be entitled to take part in bowling on the Club Greens and are entitled to be selected for pennant competition, and participate in Club championships subject to entry conditions as set by the Bowls Committee.
- (d) Any Affiliated Member wishing to transfer to Social Membership must have the approval of the Board

### **SOCIAL MEMBERS**

3. (a) Any person 18 years or over is eligible, to be a Social Member of the Club in accordance with these Regulations and on payment of an annual subscription for Social membership
- (b) Social Members shall not have the right to vote at Annual and Special General Meetings or to hold office on the Board or Bowls Committee.
- (c) Social Members shall be entitled to take part in bowling on the Club Greens but are not entitled to be selected for pennant competition, or participate in Club Championships.

### **JUNIOR MEMBERS**

4. (a) Any person under the age of 18 years is eligible, to be a Junior Member of the Club in accordance with these Regulations and on payment of an annual subscription for Junior membership.
- (b) Junior Members shall not have the right to vote at Annual and Special General Meetings or to hold office on the Board or Bowls Committee.

- (c) Junior Members shall be entitled to take part in bowling on the Club Greens and are entitled to be selected for pennant competition, and participate in Club championships subject to entry conditions as set by the Bowls Committee.
- (d) On attaining the age of 18 years Junior Members shall be ineligible to continue in such membership class but shall be eligible for election to another membership class as provided in this Constitution without delay.
- (e) Junior member shall not be permitted to purchase or drink alcoholic beverages in the premises occupied by the Armadale Bowls Club Inc. However, they may invite guests, provided that they are 18 years or over and have signed the Club's Guest Book - to enjoy the facilities of the Club.

## **LIFE MEMBERS**

- 5 (a) Any person who has been a continuous member of the Club for a minimum of 10 years, and who has rendered special service or services to the Club may at any Annual or Special General Meeting, on the unanimous recommendation of the Board and on receiving the votes of at least three quarters of the Members eligible to vote present at such Meeting be elected a Life Member of the Club with full privileges without payment of any subscription.
  - (a) A Life Member shall not be relieved of any other financial obligation other than the Annual Subscription.
  - (b) Nominations for Life Membership must be lodged with the Board or its Nominee. The Board may recommend to the Annual General Meeting that any natural person who has rendered distinguished service to the Club be appointed as a Life Member.
  - (c) A resolution of the Annual General Meeting to confer Life Membership on the recommendation of the Board must be passed by at least 75% of Members present and entitled to vote..
  - (d) A person must accept or reject the Club's resolution to confer Life Membership in writing within 28 days. Upon written acceptance, the person's details shall be entered upon the Register, and from the time of entry on the Register the person shall be a Life Member, but remain subject to this Constitution.
  - (e) The Board may reject any nomination for Life Membership without giving any reason.

### **HONORARY MEMBERS**

6. (a) Persons who have been invited by the Board, Bowls Chairman or Committee Chairmen to participate in any Bowls activities on Club premises shall be Honorary members for the day on which they participate in Bowls activities on Club premises.
- (b) Any member of any Bowls Club whose green is distant more than 25 kilometres from the Club premises may, on the introduction by a Member of the Club, be admitted by any two Members of the Board/Bowls Committee as an Honorary Member for a period not exceeding twenty eight (28) consecutive days, if so desired, on conditions to be determined by the Board.
- (c) The Board shall have power to withdraw all or any privileges from Honorary Members.
- (d) Honorary Members shall not have any right, title or interest in or to any of the property of the Club, and shall not be entitled to take part in any Annual, General or Special General Meeting or vote on any resolution at such Meetings.
- (e) A person shall not
  - (i) be admitted as an Honorary Member of the Club, or
  - (ii) be exempted from the obligation to pay the ordinary subscription for membership of the Club, unless the person is of a class specified in these Rules and the admission or exemption is in accordance with these Rules

### **SPECIAL MEMBERS**

7. (a) The Board shall have the power to elect Special Members to the Club on such conditions as shall be fixed by the Board.
- (b) Special Members shall not be eligible to hold office or vote at any meeting of the Club.

### **NON-BOWLING MEMBERS**

8. (a) The Board shall have the power to elect Non-Bowling Members to the Club on such conditions as shall be fixed by the Board.
- (b) Non-Bowling Members shall not be eligible to hold office or vote at any meeting of the Club

### **LIABILITY OF MEMBERS**

9. If a Member by any breach of these Rules, or by any unlawful act, causes the Club or any Officer of the Club to pay any money, such Member shall be civilly liable to the Club or Officer for the amount so paid.

### **OVERDUE SUBSCRIPTIONS**

10. Members may apply to the Honorary Treasurer for special consideration to waive or reduce subscriptions subject to Board approval.

## **DETERMINATION OF COMPETENCY TO PLAY BOWLS**

11. Notwithstanding the provisions of rule 5.2 in the Constitution no person will be accepted into the membership of the Club if they do not satisfy the standards of competency to bowl as assessed by the person appointed by the Board to undertake such assessments.

## **INDEMNITY**

- 12(a) Every Director and employee of the Club shall be indemnified out of the property and assets of the Club against any liability incurred by him/her in his/her capacity as Director or employee in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in his or her favour or in which he or she is acquitted or in connection with any application in relation to any such proceedings in which relief is granted to him or her by the Court.
- (b) The Club shall indemnify its Directors and Employees against all damages and costs (including legal costs) for which any such Directors or Employee may be or become liable to any third party in consequence of any act or omission except wilful misconduct:
  - (i) in the case of a Director, performed or made whilst acting on behalf of and with the authority, express or implied of the Club; and
  - (ii) in the case of an Employee, performed or made in the course of, and within the scope of his or her employment by the Club.
- (c) Except to the extent of any negligence or deliberate act by the Member, the Club indemnifies and keeps indemnified the Member from and against all claims for which the Member will or may become liable arising from the Member's lawful and permitted use of the Club premises.
- (d) This indemnity shall extend to any other lawful activity in which the Member shall be engaged in his or her capacity as a Member of the Club.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

13. Any member contemplating absence for a period may on application to the Board be granted Leave of Absence for a period not exceeding two years subject to payment of a nominal amount fixed by the Board.

### **CLUB COLOURS AND UNIFORM**

14. The Club Colours and Uniform shall be as determined by the Board subject to Bowls Victoria approval. If the Board determines that the Club Colours and Uniform be changed, at least 12 months' notice will be given to the Members.

### **AUTHORISATION OF EXPENDITURE**

15. The Board of Management is limited to authorisation of expenditure up to \$50,000 per annum per item.

### **JOINING FEE**

16. The official Nomination Form for membership must be accompanied by a non-refundable joining fee of \$50 before the nomination can be accepted by the Honorary Secretary.

### **PRACTICE CONDITIONS**

17. (a) Any Affiliated Member eligible to play pennant for Armadale may practice if empty rinks are available while an organised game (Pennant or Club Tournament) is in progress, subject to the following conditions;
  - (i) That any directives given by the convenor are to be followed. This may include leaving a spare rink between the organised game and the practice.
  - (ii) That the dress code requirements are complied with if the practice is taking place on the same rink as the organised game. For daytime Pennant this will require Uniform. For Competition and Night Pennant, Mufti is acceptable

### **RINK PRIORITY**

18. When using Greens at times approved by the Greens Director, rink priority shall be given to Armadale Bowls Club Pennant players.

### **HIRING OF CLUB PREMISES**

19. Hiring of the Club premises shall be subject to hiring fees as set by the Board of Management.



## **CLUB TOURNAMENTS**

20. The Tournaments Committee has the discretion to determine if a Tournament shall or shall not run if insufficient entries are received;

Recommended Criteria;

- (a) Singles events to have 16 players as the minimum number of entries.
- (b) Pairs events to have 16 sides as the minimum number of entries.
- (c) Triples events to have 8 sides as the minimum number of entries.
- (d) Fours events to have 8 sides as the minimum number of entries
- (e) However, a minimum of 8 entries may be accepted to conduct the Minor Singles Championship.

## **PENNANT SELECTION REQUIREMENTS**

21. Any Member of the Club who has agreed to play Pennant and then refuses to play in the team or position as assigned by the applicable Selection Committee without a reason acceptable to the Selection committee may be liable to be dealt with in accordance with Rule 9 of the Constitution or may exercise the Grievance Procedures under rule 22 of the Constitution.

## **SOCIAL GAME REQUIREMENTS**

22. Any member or associate of the Club, who having put their name down for a social game, and who fails to appear without proper notice being given, shall on the first occasion be warned, on the second occasion be fined not more than \$10.00. Any further offence will lead to action under Rule 9 of the Constitution.

## **ELIGIBILITY TO BE A SELECTOR**

23. A paid Coach is ineligible to be elected as a Selector.