

The following changes to the Constitution are recommended to meet the new requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015.

**1.2 OBJECTIVES:**

- (a) To ensure the most efficient methods of rescuing persons in distress and the resuscitation of the apparently drowned by study and practise of current SLSA handbooks and journals.
- (b) To promote and extend this knowledge so as to minimise the dangers to surf bathers on the beach under the control of the club.

It is proposed to add the following clause:

- © The property and income of the Club must be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects or purposes of the Club and no part of that property or income may be paid or otherwise distributed, directly or indirectly, to any member of the Club, except in good faith in the promotion of those objects or purposes.

**1.5 INTERPRETATIONS:**

In this Constitution and any amendments thereto and in any By-Laws made in accordance with the provisions thereof unless the context is inconsistent with such interpretation, the following applies:

- (a) 'Act' means the Associations Incorporation Act 1987

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## **PARA 2.**

## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **2.1 GENERAL:**

- (a) Every Candidate for membership shall be proposed and seconded by a current member. All applications shall be posted on the notice board of the club for a period of not less than seven days before election, provided also that an interval of not less than two weeks shall elapse between nominations and election.
- (b) The Board of Management reserves the right to review all membership applications, and may refuse membership to any person without any right of appeal by that person.
- (c) All birth dates are to be taken in respect to October 1st of each year, where date of birth is part of the qualification for a particular membership category.

It is proposed to change to the following:

### **2.1 GENERAL:**

- (a) Membership will be offered in the categories as identified in para 2.3. The fee as set out by the Board at the AGM must be paid before processing of membership can occur.
- (b) The Board of Management reserves the right to review all membership applications, and may refuse membership to any person without any right of appeal by that person.
- (c) All birth dates are to be taken in respect to October 1st of each year, where date of birth is part of the qualification for a particular membership category.

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### **2.2 REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

- (a) The President, or another person authorised by the committee, is responsible for the requirements imposed on the Club under section 53 of the Act to maintain the register of members and record in that register any change in the membership of the Club.
- (b) In addition to the matters referred to in section 53(2) of the Act, the register of members must include the class of membership (if applicable) to which each member belongs and the date on which each member becomes a member.
- (c) The register of members must be kept securely at the Club and must include each member's name and a residential, postal or email address.
- (d) A member who wishes to inspect the register of members must contact the President or their delegate to make the necessary arrangements.
- (e) If –
  - a. a member inspecting the register of members wishes to make a copy of, or take an extract from, the register under section 54(2) of the Act; or,
  - b. a member makes a written request under section 56(1) of the Act to be provided with a copy of the register of members;

the committee may require the member to provide a statutory declaration setting out the purpose for which the copy or extract is required and declaring that the purpose is connected with the affairs of the Club.

### **3.2 ELECTIONS:**

- (a) A member must be financial to be eligible for nomination for positions in the Club.
- (b) Nominations for positions must be submitted in writing, on the nomination form for that purpose, and be in the hands of the Business and Marketing Director at least 14 (fourteen days) prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) Where no nominations are received in accordance with sub para 3.2.(b), the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting will call for nominations from the floor of that meeting to fill the resulting vacancies. Should nominations still not be forthcoming, the vacancy(s) shall be declared and handed to the incoming Board of Management for action.
- (d) At the First meeting of the incoming Board of Management additional officers may be appointed for special duties deemed necessary by the Board.

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### **3.2 ELECTIONS:**

- (a) A member must be financial to be eligible for nomination for positions in the Club.
- (b) All Board positions are declared vacant at the AGM every year.
- (c) Nominations for positions must be submitted in writing, on the nomination form for that purpose, and be in the hands of the Business and Marketing Director at least 14 (fourteen days) prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- (d) Where no nominations are received in accordance with sub para 3.2.(b), the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting will call for nominations from the floor of that meeting to fill the resulting vacancies. Should nominations still not be forthcoming, the vacancy(s) shall be declared and handed to the incoming Board of Management for action.
- (e) The term of office of a Board member begins when the member is elected at the AGM or appointed to fill a causal vacancy that occurs through a Board member resigning.
- (f) At the first meeting of the incoming Board of Management additional officers may be appointed for special duties deemed necessary by the Board.

It is proposed to add the following clauses:

## **COMMITTEES**

### **5.13 UNIFORM COMMITTEE:**

- (a) The Uniform committee shall consist of the Club Services Director, Uniform Officer and at least two (2) other members appointed by the Club Services Director.
- (b) The Club Services Director shall chair this committee. It shall meet as necessary to fulfil its obligations.
- (c) The Uniform Committee is responsible for management of the Club Clothing Shop, including maintenance of financial records.
- (d) The committee is also responsible for overseeing all stocktakes as required by the Board
- (f) Reports of all action taken by the Uniform Committee shall be addressed to the Board in the form of minutes. The minutes shall be endorsed by the Board before any action can be taken on recommendations contained therein.