

MEMBERSHIP

1. No person under the age of 18 years shall be admitted as a member of the Club other than as a Junior Sporting Member.
2. All Service, Sporting, Life, Sporting/ Service, Social members and Social Pensioner members must at all times have the right to vote in the election for the Board of the Club.
3. A person shall not be admitted to membership of the Club except as a Life member, a Service member, a Sporting member, a Sporting /Service member, a Social member, a Social Pensioner member, a Short Term member, a Junior Sporting member, a Provisional Member, an Honorary member, or a Temporary member. Each class of membership is open to both sexes.
4. (a) A Provisional member means a person who has applied for admission as a Service, Sporting, Sporting/Service, Social member, Social Pensioner member or a Junior Sporting Member of the Club, has paid the subscription appropriate for the class of membership applied for and is awaiting a decision on the application. Provisional members shall be entitled only to the social privileges of the Club that are given to the category that the person has joined and to participate in such games, recreations and pastimes as are determined by the Board from time to time.

(b) Should a person who is admitted as a Provisional member not be elected to membership of the Club within six (6) weeks from the date of the nomination form being given to the Chief Executive Officer or should that person's application for membership be refused (whichever is the sooner) that person shall cease to be a Provisional member of the Club and the joining fee (if any) and subscription submitted with the nomination shall be returned to that person.
5. Unless and until otherwise determined by the Board Full Membership of the Club shall consist of the following classes:
 - (a) Life Member
 - (b) Service Member
 - (c) Sporting Member
 - (d) Sporting/Service Member
 - (e) Social Member
 - (f) Social Pensioner Member
 - (g) Junior Sporting Member
 - (h) Short Term member

6. Persons who are not Full members may, in accordance with this Constitution be admitted to the Club as:
- (a) Provisional members; and
 - (b) Honorary members;
 - (c) Temporary members.

ELIGIBILITY FOR VARIOUS CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

SERVICE MEMBERS

7. Persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and who:
- (a) have served or who are serving in His or Her Majesty's Forces; or
 - (b) have served or who are serving in the Armed Forces of any ally of His or Her Majesty; or
 - (c) qualify under the Constitution of the New South Wales Branch of the Returned and Services League of Australia for membership;

and who are elected by the Board to Service Membership of the Club or transferred by the Board to Service membership of the Club shall be Service members of the Club.

SPORTING MEMBERS

8. (a) Persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and who are elected to Sporting membership of the Club or transferred by the Board to Sporting membership of the Club shall be Sporting members of the Club.
- (b) A person shall not be admitted as a Sporting member or remain as a Sporting member of the Club unless the Board is satisfied that the person is a financial member of a sporting sub club;

SPORTING/SERVICE MEMBERS

9. Persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and who have both the qualifications to be a Service member and a Sporting member and who are elected to Sporting /Service membership of the Club or transferred by the Board to Sporting/Service membership shall be Sporting /Service members of the Club.

SOCIAL MEMBERS

10. Persons who have attained the age of eighteen (18) years and who are elected to Social membership of the Club or transferred by the Board to Social membership of the Club shall be Social members of the Club.

SOCIAL PENSIONER MEMBERS

11. Persons who hold a Pensioner Concession Card and who are elected to or transferred to Social Pensioner membership shall be Social Pensioner members of the Club.

JUNIOR SPORTING MEMBERS

12. (a) Junior Sporting members shall be persons under the age of eighteen (18) years have been elected as Junior Sporting members and have paid the entrance fee (if any) and the applicable annual subscription.
- (b) A person shall not be admitted as a Junior Sporting member of the Club unless the Board:
- (i) is satisfied that the person is joining the Club for the purposes of playing sport as a member of a sporting sub-club of the Club; and
 - (ii) has received from that persons parent or guardian written consent to that person becoming a Junior Sporting member of the Club and taking part in the sporting activities organised by a sporting sub-club of the Club;
 - (iii) is satisfied that the person will take part in regular sporting activities organised by the Club or a sub-club.
- (c) Upon attainment of the age of eighteen (18) years of age a Junior Sporting member shall be transferred to either Sporting membership or Social membership depending on whether or not they remain members of a sporting sub club after attaining the age of 18 years.

SHORT TERM MEMBER

13. (a) Any person who makes application for membership of the Club and who satisfies the Board of the Club that he or she will be staying in Narooma NSW or its surrounding districts for a period of only two (2) months or less may be admitted to Short Term membership of the Club for a period of two (2) months only.
- (b) Short Term members will pay a subscription as determined by the Board from time to time which will not be less than the minimum required under the Registered Clubs Act. That subscription shall entitle that member to membership of the Club for a period of two (2) months only.
- (bb) Short Term members shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Club, nominate for or be elected to the Board or any office of the Club or participate in the management, business and affairs of the Club in any way.

- (c) Subject to paragraph (d) of this Rule 27 Short Term members shall not be entitled to renew their membership as Short Term members at the termination of their two (2) month membership.
- (d)
 - (i) A person may reapply for Short term membership after six (6) months have passed since the last day that person was a Short Term member of the Club; and
 - (ii) Nothing in this Constitution shall prevent a person who is or has been a Short Term member from making application to be admitted to another category of Ordinary membership of the Club provided they have the requisite qualifications and provided the application is made in accordance with this Constitution.

LIFE MEMBERS

- 14. (a) Any Ordinary member who has rendered long or meritorious service to the Club may be elected to Life membership of the Club by resolution carried by a majority of Full members present and voting at a general meeting following the submission to such meeting of an appropriate recommendation from the Board.
- (b) Candidates for Life membership shall be proposed by one and seconded by another eligible Full member of the Club and submitted to the Board for approval.
- (c) If a nomination for Life membership is approved by the Board, 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.
- (d) If a nomination for Life membership is not approved by the board, the nomination shall not be submitted to a general meeting of the Club.
- (e) A person elected as a Life Member shall be relieved from payment of any subscription or levies.

HONORARY MEMBERS

- 15. A person shall not be admitted as an Honorary member of the Club unless that person is admitted in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
- 16. The following may in accordance with the procedures established by the Board be made Honorary members of the Club:
 - (a) The patron or patrons for the time being of the Club;
 - (b) Any prominent citizen or local dignitary visiting the Club for some special occasion;
 - (c) any person who produces evidence that he or she is a serving member of the Australian Defence Force (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act); and
 - (d) any person who is a former member of the Australian Defence Force (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) and who produces evidence that he or she is:

- (i) a Service Member of the RSL; and
 - (ii) a member of at least one other RSL or services club.
17. An Honorary member who is not a Full member of the Club shall be entitled only to the social privileges of the Club and shall not have the right to stand for election to the Board or to vote at any meeting of the Club. Honorary members, when so authorised by the Board, may introduce guests to the Club.
18. Honorary members may be relieved of any obligation or liability with respect to the payment of entrance fees and/or subscriptions.
19. Honorary members who are Full members of the Club shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of the category of membership of which they are a Full member.
20. The Board shall have the power to cancel the membership of any Honorary member without notice and without assigning any reason therefore.

TEMPORARY MEMBERS

21. A person shall not be admitted as a Temporary member of the Club unless that person is admitted in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
22. The following persons in accordance with procedures established by the Board may be made Temporary members of the Club:
- (a) Any person whose ordinary place of residence in New South Wales is not less than such minimum distance from the Club's premises as may be prescribed by the Registered Clubs Act or such other greater distance as may be determined from time to time by the Board by By-law pursuant to this Constitution.
 - (b) A full member (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) of any registered club which has objects similar to those of the Club.
 - (c) A full member (as defined in the Registered Clubs Act) of any registered club who, at the invitation of the Board of the Club, attends on any day at the premises of the Club for the purpose of participating in an organised sport or competition to be conducted by the Club on that day from the time on that day when he or she so attends the premises of the Club until the end of that day.
 - (d) Any interstate or overseas visitor.
23. (a) Temporary members shall not be required to pay an entrance fee or annual subscription;
- (b) Temporary members shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Club, nominate for or be elected to the Board or any office of the Club or participate in the management, business and affairs of the Club in any way;
- (c) Temporary members are entitled to such playing and social privileges and advantages of the Club as the Board may determine from time to time, but Temporary members shall not be permitted to introduce guests into the Club other than a minor in accordance with Rule 56;

- (d) The Board or the Chief Executive Officer of the Club may terminate the membership of any Temporary member at any time without notice and without having to provide any reason therefore.
- (e) Deleted;
- (f) No person under the age of 18 years may be admitted as a temporary member of the Club, unless the person satisfies the requirements of Rule 36(c).
- (g) Deleted.
- (h) No person who is under suspension or who has been expelled from membership of the club may be admitted as a temporary member.

RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

24. (a) Only Financial Service members, Financial Sporting members, Financial Sporting/ Service members and in the case of Financial Social members and Financial Social Pensioner members those who are Directors shall be entitled to:
- (i) all the social privileges and advantages of the Club;
 - (ii) attend and vote at annual general meetings and general meetings of the Club;
 - (iii) hold office on the Board provided that Service members, Social members and Social Pensioner members shall only be entitled to be appointed to any casual vacancy on the Board (in accordance with Rule 74) which arises where there are insufficient nominations under rule 63 (c).
 - (iv) vote at the election of the Board;
 - (v) vote on any special resolution to amend this Constitution;
 - (vi) propose, second, and nominate any member for any office of the Club;
 - (vii) propose, second and nominate any member for Life membership;
 - (viii) introduce guests to the Club
- but shall not be entitled to the playing privileges of the Club available through membership of a sporting sub club unless and until they have paid to the sporting sub club the entrance fee (if any) and applicable annual subscription of such sporting sub club.
- (b) Life members shall have all the rights and privileges of the class of membership they held immediately prior to election to Life membership.
 - (c) Financial Social members and Financial Social Pensioner members who are not Directors shall be entitled to:
 - (i) the social privileges and advantages of the Club;

- (ii) attend and vote on Ordinary resolutions at any Annual General Meeting or General Meeting of the Club;
 - (iii) vote at the election of the Board;
 - (iv) be appointed to any casual vacancy on the Board which arises where there are insufficient nominations under rule 63 (c).
 - (v) introduce guests to the Club.
- (d) Financial Social members and Financial Social Pensioner members who are not Directors shall not be entitled to:
- (i) the playing privileges of the Club available through membership of a sporting sub club;
 - (ii) vote on any Special Resolution at Annual General Meetings and General Meetings of the Club.
 - (iii) propose, second or nominate any member for Life membership;
- (e) Subject to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act, a Junior Sporting member shall be entitled to the use of such of the facilities of the Club as the Board shall determine from time to time but shall not be entitled to:
- (i) attend and vote at any meetings of the Club; or
 - (ii) take part in the management of the Club;
 - (iii) propose, second or nominate any person to membership of the Club;
 - (iv) propose, second or nominate any member for any office of the Club;
 - (v) propose, second or nominate any member for Life membership;
 - (vi) introduce guests to the Club;
- (f) Financial Short Term members shall be entitled to the social privileges and advantages of the Club and to the use of such of the facilities of the Club as the Board shall determine from time to time but shall not be eligible to:
- (i) attend and vote at any meetings of the Club; or
 - (ii) take part in the management of the Club;
 - (iii) propose, second or nominate any member for any office of the Club;
 - (iv) propose, second or nominate any member for Life membership.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

25. (a) The Board, at its discretion, may on the written application of a member who has the qualifications for another category of membership transfer that member to that category of membership of the Club upon payment of the difference between the subscription and entrance fee (if any) for his current membership category and the subscription and entrance fee (if any) for the category to which application for membership has been made.

- (b) If a Sporting member or a Sporting /Service member ceases to be a member of any sporting sub-club, the Board will have the power to transfer that member to Social membership in the case of a Sporting member and to Service membership in the case of a Sporting/Service member provided that not less than seven (7) days written notice of the intention to transfer the member to Social membership is given to the member.