



DERWENT HOCKEY CLUB INCORPORATED

RULES

1. **Name of association**

The name of the Association shall be the DERWENT HOCKEY CLUB INC., hereinafter the "Club".

2. **Interpretation**

In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears –

"Act" means the *Associations Incorporation Act 1964*;

"Association" means the association referred to in rule 1;

"auditor" means the person appointed as the auditor of the Club under rule 9;

"committee" means a committee as defined by the Act;

"Club" means the Derwent Hockey Club Inc.;

"general meeting" includes –

- (a) the annual general meeting; and
- (b) any special general meeting;

"ordinary business of the annual general meeting" means the business specified in rule 11(5);

"ordinary committee member" means a member of the committee to whom rule 24(1)(b) relates;

"special general meeting" means any general meeting other than the annual general meeting;

"special resolution" means a resolution if it is passed by a majority of not less than three-quarters of members of the Club entitled under these rules to vote as may be present in person at a general meeting of which notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution was given in accordance with these rules.

3. **Club's office**

The office of the Club is to be the Secretary's residence or any other place the committee determines.



4. Objects and purposes of Club

(1) The basic objects of the Club are to:

- (a) promote the game of hockey and its development at all levels in all seasonal rosters in Tasmania;
- (b) support the hockey and personal development of members at all levels;
- (c) provide opportunities for members to take part in competitive and social hockey in Tasmania and elsewhere;
- (d) to encourage and promote all activities consistent with and incidental to the sport of hockey; and
- (e) maintain the Club's traditions, preserving a sense of history as Tasmania's oldest hockey club.

(2) In addition to the basic objects of the Club, as stated in sub-rule (1), the objects and purposes of the Club include the following:

- (a) the purchase, taking on lease or in exchange, and the hiring or otherwise acquiring of any real or personal property necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the Club;
- (b) the buying, selling and supplying of, and dealing in, goods of all kinds;
- (c) the construction, maintenance and alteration of buildings or works necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the Club;
- (d) the accepting of any gift for any one or more of the objects or purposes of the Club;
- (e) the taking of any step the committee or the members in general meeting consider expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Club;
- (f) the maintenance of a website, the printing and publishing of any newspapers, periodicals, books, leaflets or other documents the committee or the members in general meeting consider desirable for the promotion of the objects and purposes of the Club;
- (g) the borrowing and raising of money in any manner and on terms –
 - (i) the committee thinks fit; or
 - (ii) approved or directed by resolution passed at a general meeting;
- (h) subject to the provisions of the *Trustee Act 1898*, the investment of any moneys of the Club not immediately required for any of its objects or purposes in any manner the committee determines;
- (i) the making of gifts, subscriptions or donations to any of the funds, authorities or institutions to which section 78(1)(a) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* of the Commonwealth relates;
- (j) the establishment and support, or aiding in the establishment and support, of associations, institutions, funds, trusts, schemes and conveniences calculated to benefit servants or past servants of the Club and their dependants, and the granting of pensions, allowances or other benefits to servants or past servants of the Club and their dependants, and the making of payments towards insurance in relation to any of those purposes;
- (k) the establishment and support, or aiding in the establishment or support, of any other association formed for any of the basic objects of the Club;
- (l) the purchase or acquisition, and undertaking, of all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any association with which the Club is



- amalgamated in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules of the Club;
- (m) the doing of any lawful thing incidental or conducive to the attainment of the basic objects of the Club or of any of the objects and purposes specified in this rule.

5. Membership of Club

- (1) A person who nominates and is approved for membership as provided in these rules is eligible to be a member of the Club on payment of the annual subscription prescribed in, or fixed under, these rules.
- (2) A person who is not a member of the Club at the time of the incorporation of the Club is not to be admitted to membership unless the person applies as provided in sub-rule (3).
- (3) A nomination of a person for membership of the Club is to be made by the nominee in writing on the official registration form.
- (4) The Committee reserves the right to not accept any application.
- (5) On receipt of the registration form, the Secretary shall ensure the nominee's name is entered in the register of members.
- (6) A member of the Club may resign from the Club by delivering, sending by post or by email, to the Secretary, a written notice of resignation.
- (7) Upon receipt of a notice under sub-rule (6), the Secretary is to remove the name of the member from the register of members.
- (8) A person becomes a member of the Club when their name is entered in the register of members and ceases to be a member of the Club when their name is removed from the register of members.
- (9) Any right, privilege, or obligation of a person as a member of the Club –
 - (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person; and
 - (b) terminates upon the cessation of this membership.
- (10) If the Club is wound up –
 - (a) every member of the Club; and
 - (b) every person, who within the period of 12 months immediately preceding the commencement of the winding up, was a member of the Club –

is liable to contribute -

 - (c) to the assets of the Club for payment of the debts or liabilities of the Club; and
 - (d) for the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up; and
 - (e) for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves.
- (11) Any liability under sub-rule (10) is not to exceed one dollar (\$1.00).



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- (12) A former member is not liable to contribute under sub-rule (10) in respect of any debt or liability of the Club contracted after the member ceased to be a member.
 - (13) Any member who, in the opinion of the committee, has rendered outstanding service to the Club either by the nature of such service or the length of time of their active membership of the Club, may be nominated for life membership of the Club.
 - (14) Any member nominated in accordance with sub-rule (13) shall be appointed to life membership on the vote of a majority of members present at a general meeting the notice for which shall give the details of the committee's nomination.
 - (15) Sub-rules (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (9)(b), (10), (11) and (12) do not apply to life members.

6. Income and property of the Club

- (1) The income and property of the Club is to be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects and purposes of the Club.
- (2) No portion of the income and property of the Club is to be paid or transferred to any member of the Club.
- (3) The Club is not to -
 - (a) appoint a person who is a member of the committee to any office in the gift of the Club to the holder of which there is payable any remuneration by way of salary, fees or allowances; or
 - (b) pay to any such person any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth, other than the repayment of out-of-pocket expenses.
- (4) Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this rule prevents the payment to a servant or member of the Club of -
 - (a) remuneration in return for services rendered to the Club or for goods supplied to the Club in the ordinary course of business;
 - (b) interest on moneys lent to the Club by the servant or member at a rate not exceeding the rate being charged by its bank to the member or servant or which would be charged by the bank to the Club if it had an overdraft; or
 - (c) a reasonable and proper sum by way of rent of premises let to the Club.

7. Accounts and receipt of expenditure

- (1) True and fair accounts shall be kept of -
 - (a) all money received and expended by the Club and the matter in respect of which the receipt or expenditure takes place; and
 - (b) the property, assets and liabilities of the Club.
- (2) The accounts are to be open to inspection by the members of the Club subject to any reasonable restrictions as to time and manner of inspecting the Club may impose.



- (3) The Treasurer of the Club is to keep all general records, accounting books and records of receipts and expenditure connected with the operations and business of the Club in the form and manner the committee directs.
- (4) The accounts, books and records are to be kept at the Club's office or at any other place the committee decides.
- (5) The Club shall retain the accounting records for such period as may be prescribed in the Act or, if no such period is prescribed, a period of 7 years after the completion of the transactions to which they relate.

8. Banking and finance

- (1) The Treasurer of the Club, on behalf of the Club is to receive all money paid to the Club and immediately issue official receipts.
- (2) The committee is to cause to be opened with any financial institution the committee selects an account/s in the name of the Club into which all money received is to be paid as soon as possible after receipt.
- (3) The committee may -
 - (a) receive from the Club's financial institution the cheques drawn by the Club on any of its accounts with the financial institution; and
 - (b) release and indemnify the financial institution for and against all claims, actions, suits, or demands that may be brought against the financial institution arising directly or indirectly out of those cheques.
- (4) Except with the authority of the committee, a payment of any sum exceeding \$100 is not to be made from the funds of the Club otherwise than by cheque drawn on the Club's account.
- (5) The committee may provide the Treasurer with a sum to meet urgent expenditure, subject to any conditions in relation to the use and expenditure the committee may impose.
- (6) Cheques are not to be drawn on the Club's account except for the payment of expenditure that has been authorised by the committee.
- (7) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments are to be -
 - (a) signed by any two members of the committee from four nominated signatories.
- (8) Money shall not be borrowed by the Club without the approval of at least half of the members entitled to vote under these rules, as defined in rules 18 and 31(2), who were present personally or who voted by means of a proxy vote at a general meeting of the Club, the notice of which shall set out details of the proposed borrowing.



- (9) The proxy vote referred to in sub-rule 8 shall be in writing, signed by the member attested by a witness and delivered to the Secretary prior to the motion to borrow money being voted upon.

9. Auditor

- (1) At each annual general meeting of the Club, the members present are to appoint a person as the auditor of the Club who is a registered company auditor within the meaning of the Corporations Act.
- (2) No person shall knowingly consent to be appointed, or knowingly act, as the auditor of the Club, or prepare for or on behalf of the Club any financial statement or any report or certificate relating thereto that is required by or under the Act to be prepared by the auditor of the Club if he or she is –
 - (a) a member of the committee of the Club;
 - (b) a servant of the Club; or
 - (c) a partner, employer, or employee of a member of the committee, of the Club.
- (3) The auditor is to hold office until the annual general meeting next after that at which he or she is appointed, and is eligible for re-appointment.
- (4) The first auditor may be appointed by the committee before the first annual general meeting, and, holds office until the first annual general meeting, unless earlier removed by a resolution of the members at a general meeting, when that meeting may appoint an auditor to act until the first annual general meeting.
- (5) If an appointment is not made at an annual general meeting, the committee is to appoint an auditor for the current financial year of the Club.
- (6) Except as provided in sub-rule (3), the auditor may only be removed from office by special resolution.
- (7) If a casual vacancy occurs in the office of auditor during the course of the financial year of the Club, the committee may appoint a person as the auditor to hold office until the next succeeding annual general meeting.

10. Audit of accounts

- (1) The auditor is to examine the accounts of the Club at least once in each financial year of the Club.
- (2) The auditor is to certify as to the truth and fairness of the accounts of the Club and report to the members present at the annual general meeting.
- (3) In the report and in certifying to the accounts, the auditor is to state if –
 - (a) he or she has obtained the required information;
 - (b) in his or her opinion, the accounts are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the financial position of the Club according to the information at



- his or her disposal and the explanations given and as shown by the books of the Club; and
- (c) the rules relating to the administration of the funds of the Club have been observed.
- (4) The Secretary is to cause to be delivered to the auditor a list of all the accounts, books and records of the Club.
- (5) The auditor may -
- (a) have access to the accounts, books, records, vouchers and documents of the Club; and
 - (b) require from the servants of the Club any information and explanations he or she considers necessary for the performance of the duties as auditor; and
 - (c) employ persons to assist in investigating the accounts of the Club; and
 - (d) in relation to the accounts of the Club, examine any member of the committee or any servant of the Club.

11. Annual general meeting

- (1) The Club is to hold an annual general meeting each year.
- (2) The annual general meeting is to be held on any day (being not later than 3 months after the close of the financial year of the Club) the committee determines.
- (3) The annual general meeting is to be in addition to any other general meetings that may be held in the same year.
- (4) The notice convening the annual general meeting is to specify the purpose of the meeting.
- (5) The ordinary business of the annual general meeting is to be as follows:
- (a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding annual general meeting and of any general meeting held since that meeting;
 - (b) to receive from the committee, auditor and servants of the Club reports on the transactions of the Club during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) to elect the officers of the Club and the ordinary committee members;
 - (d) to appoint the auditor and if necessary determine his or her remuneration; and
 - (e) to determine the remuneration of servants of the Club.
- (6) The annual general meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these rules.
- (7) All general meetings other than the annual general meeting shall be called special general meetings.

12. Special general meetings

- (1) The committee may convene a special general meeting of the Club at any time.



- (2) The committee, on the requisition in writing of at least 10% of members eligible to vote under these rules, may convene a special general meeting of the Club.
- (3) A requisition for a special general meeting -
 - (a) is to state the object of the meeting; and
 - (b) is to be signed by the requisitionists; and
 - (c) is to be deposited at the office of the Club; and
 - (d) may consist of several documents, each signed by one or more of the requisitionists.
- (4) If the committee does not cause a special general meeting to be held within 21 days from the day on which a requisition is deposited at the office of the Club, the requisitionists, or any of them, may convene the meeting within 3 months from the day of the deposit of the requisition.
- (5) A special general meeting convened by requisitionists is to be convened in the same manner as nearly as possible as meetings are convened by the committee, and all reasonable expenses incurred in convening the meeting shall be refunded by the Club to the persons incurring them.

13. Notices of general meetings

- (1) The Secretary, at least 14 days before the date fixed for holding a general meeting of the Club, is to cause to be inserted in at least one newspaper published in Tasmania an advertisement specifying the place, day and time for the holding of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

14. Business and quorum at general meetings

- (1) All business transacted at a general meeting, except the ordinary business of the annual general meeting, is special business.
- (2) Business is not to be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of members entitled to vote is present at the time the meeting is considering that business.
- (3) A quorum for the transaction of the business of a general meeting is 15 members present and entitled to vote.
- (4) If a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting, the meeting -
 - (a) if convened on the requisition of members, is to be dissolved; or
 - (b) in any other case, is to be adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place unless another place is specified by the Chairman at the time of the adjournment.
- (5) If at an adjourned meeting a quorum is not present 30 minutes after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting is to be dissolved.



15. President to preside at general meetings

- (1) The President, or in their absence the Vice-President, is to preside as chairman at every general meeting of the Club.
- (2) If the President and Vice-President are absent from the general meeting, the members present are to elect one of their number to preside as chairman.

16. Adjournment of general meetings

- (1) The chairman of a general meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business is to be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.
- (2) If a meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, the notice of the adjourned meeting is to be given in the same manner as the notice of the original meeting.
- (3) It is not necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

17. Determination of questions arising at general meetings

- (1) A question arising at a general meeting of the Club is to be determined on a show of hands.
- (2) Unless before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands a poll is demanded, a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands basis, been carried, or carried unanimously, or carried by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the minute book of the Club is evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, a resolution.

18. Votes

- (1) On any question arising at a general meeting, a member as defined in rule 31(2) who has attained the age of 16 years at the date of the meeting has one vote only.
- (2) All votes are to be given personally except as provided in rule 8(8).
- (3) In the case of an equality of voting on a question, the chairman has a second or casting vote.

19. Taking of poll

- (1) If at a meeting a poll on any question is demanded it is to be taken at that meeting in the manner the chairman directs and the result of the poll is taken to be the resolution of the meeting on that question.

20. When poll to be taken

- (1) A poll that is demanded on the election of a chairman, or on a question of adjournment, is to be taken immediately;



- (2) A poll that is demanded on any other question is to be taken at any time before the close of that meeting as the chairman directs.

21. General meeting may appoint sub-committee

- (1) A general meeting may appoint a sub-committee for the purpose of reporting back to the meeting. Unless otherwise determined by the general meeting a quorum for a meeting of such a sub-committee shall be one more than half the number of members appointed to it (or in the event of a sub-committee of uneven numbers the next highest number in excess of half its number) and its procedure shall be the same as that laid down for sub-committees pursuant to rule 29.

22. Affairs of Club to be managed by a committee

- (1) The affairs of the Club are to be managed by a committee of management constituted as provided in rule 24.
- (2) The committee -
 - (a) is to control and manage the business and affairs of the Club; and
 - (b) may exercise all the powers and perform all the functions of the Club, other than those powers and functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by general meetings of members of the Club; and
 - (c) has power to do anything that appears to the committee to be essential for the proper management of the business and affairs of the Club.

23. Officers of the Club

- (1) The officers of the Club are:
 - (a) President;
 - (b) Vice-President;
 - (c) Treasurer;
 - (d) Secretary;
 - (e) Men's Coordinator;
 - (f) Women's Coordinator;
 - (g) Junior Boys' Coordinator;
 - (h) Junior Girls' Coordinator; and
 - (i) other officers agreed by all committee members from time to time.
- (2) The provision of rule 25(2) and (3), so far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply in relation to the election of persons to any of the offices referred to in sub-rule (1).
- (3) Each officer of the Club is to hold office until the annual general meeting two years after the date of election, and is eligible for re-election.
- (4) If a casual vacancy in any office referred to in sub-rule (1) occurs, the committee may appoint one of its members to the vacant office, to hold the office up to and including the conclusion of the annual general meeting next following the date of the appointment.



24. Constitution of the committee

- (1) The committee consists of the following members elected at the annual general meeting of the Club –
 - (a) the officers of the Club; and
 - (b) a minimum of 6 ordinary committee members.
- (2) An ordinary committee member is to hold office until the annual general meeting one year after the date of election, and is eligible for re-election.
- (3) If a casual vacancy occurs in the office of ordinary committee member, the committee may appoint a member of the Club to fill the vacancy until the conclusion of the annual general meeting next following the date of the appointment.

25. Election of members of committee

- (1) Nominations of candidates for election as officers of the Club or as ordinary committee members are to be –
 - (a) made in writing signed by 2 members of the Club and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the nomination); and
 - (b) delivered to the Secretary of the Club at least 5 days before the date fixed for the holding of the annual general meeting.
- (2) If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the committee, further nominations are to be received at the annual general meeting. These nominations must be in the form provided for in sub-rule (1)(a).
- (3) Irrespective of the number of nominations received, elections will be held for all committee vacancies.
- (4) The election of officers and ordinary committee members is to be conducted at the annual general meeting in the usual manner as directed by the committee.

26. Vacation of office

- (1) For the purpose of these rules, the office of an officer or an ordinary committee member becomes vacant if the officer or committee member –
 - (a) dies; or
 - (b) becomes bankrupt or applies to take or takes advantage of any law relating to bankrupt or insolvent debtors or compounds with his or her creditors, or makes any assignment of his or her estate for their benefit; or
 - (c) becomes of unsound mind; or
 - (d) resigns office in writing addressed to the committee; or
 - (e) ceases to be resident in Tasmania; or
 - (f) fails, without leave granted by the committee, to attend 3 consecutive meetings of the committee; or
 - (g) ceases to be a member of the Club; or
 - (h) fails to pay all arrears of subscription due, within 14 days after receiving a notice in writing signed by the Secretary stating that he or she has ceased to be a financial member of the Club.



27. Meetings of the committee and of sub-committees

- (1) The committee is to meet at least six times annually at any place and time the committee determines.
- (2) Special meetings of the committee may be convened by the President or any 4 of its members.
- (3) Notice is to be given to members of the committee of any special meeting, specifying the general nature of the business to be transacted, and no other business is to be transacted at such a meeting.
- (4) Any 6 members of the committee constitute quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the committee.
- (5) Business is not to be transacted unless a quorum is present.
- (6) If half an hour after the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting is to be adjourned to the same place and at the same time of the same day in the following week unless the meeting was a special meeting in which case it is to be dissolved.
- (7) At a meeting of the committee, the following is to preside:
 - (a) the President, or in his or her absence the Vice-President; or
 - (b) if the President and Vice-President are absent, any one of the remaining members of the committee as may be chosen by the members present.
- (8) Any question arising at a meeting of the committee or of any sub-committee appointed by the committee is to be determined on a show of hands or if demanded by a member, by a poll taken in any manner the person presiding at the meeting determines.
- (9) Each member present at the meeting of the committee or of any sub-committees appointed by the committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote.
- (10) If there is an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding has a second or casting vote.
- (11) Notice of each committee meeting is to be served on each member of the committee by notifying the member within a reasonable time before each meeting.

28. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

- (1) A member of the committee who is interested in any contract or arrangement made or proposed to be made with the Club is to disclose the interest –
 - (a) at the first meeting of the committee at which the contract or arrangement is first taken into consideration, if the interest then exists; or



(b) in any other case, at the first meeting of the committee after the acquisition of the interest.

(2) If a member of the committee becomes interested in a contract or arrangement after it is made or entered into, he or she is to disclose the interest at the first meeting of the committee after the committee member becomes interested.

(3) A member of the committee is not to vote as a member of a committee in respect of any contract or arrangement in which he or she is interested and any such vote is not to be counted.

29. Sub-committees

(1) The committee may appoint a sub-committee from the committee and prescribe the powers and functions of that sub-committee.

(2) The committee may co-opt any person as a member of a sub-committee without voting rights, whether or not the person is a member of the Club.

(3) A quorum at a meeting of the sub-committee is 3 appointed members.

(4) The Secretary is to convene meetings of a sub-committee.

(5) Notice of each sub-committee meeting shall be given to each member of the sub-committee by notifying the member within a reasonable time before each meeting.

30. Executive committee

(1) The President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary constitute the executive committee which may issue instruction to the Secretary and the servants of the Club in matters of urgency connected with the management of the affairs of the Club during the period between meetings of the committee.

(2) The executive committee is to report on any instructions issued under sub-rule (1) to the next meeting of the committee.

31. Annual subscription

(1) The annual subscription payable by members is to be fixed by the committee on an annual basis.

(2) The category of members shall be:
(a) playing members; and
(b) non-playing (including life) members.

(3) The annual subscription of a member is due and payable on a date fixed annually by the committee.

(4) The committee may take any appropriate action to recover any outstanding moneys.



32. Financial year

- (1) The financial year of the Club is the period beginning on 1 November in one year and ending on the 31 October the following year.

33. Notices

- (1) A notice may be served by or on behalf of the Club on any member personally, by email or by sending it through the post in a prepaid envelope addressed to the member at his or her usual or last known address.

34. Expulsion of members

- (1) The committee may expel a member from the Club if, in the opinion of the committee, the member is guilty of conduct detrimental to the interests of the Club.
- (2) The expulsion of a member under sub-rule (1) does not take effect until whichever of the following is the later date:
 - (a) the expiration of 14 days after the service on the member of a notice under sub-rule (3); or
 - (b) if the member exercises his or her right of appeal under sub-rule (3), the conclusion of the special general meeting convened to hear the appeal.
- (3) If the committee expels a member from the Club, the Secretary, without undue delay, is to cause to be served on the member a notice in writing -
 - (a) stating that the committee has expelled the member; and
 - (b) specifying the grounds for the expulsion; and
 - (c) informing the member of a right of appeal against the expulsion under rule 35.

35. Appeal against expulsion

- (1) A member may appeal against an expulsion under rule 34 by delivering or sending by email or post to the Secretary, within 14 days after the service of the notice under rule 34(3), a requisition in writing demanding the convening of a special general meeting for the purpose of hearing the appeal.
- (2) On receipt of a requisition the Secretary is to immediately notify the committee of the receipt and the committee is to cause a special general meeting of members to be held within 21 days after the date on which the requisition is received.
- (3) At a special general meeting convened for the purpose of this rule –
 - (a) no business other than the question of the expulsion is to be transacted; and
 - (b) the committee may place before the meeting details of the grounds of the expulsion and the committee's reasons for the expulsion; and
 - (c) the expelled member is to be given an opportunity to be heard; and
 - (d) the members present are to vote by secret ballot on the question whether the expulsion should be lifted or confirmed.
- (4) If at the special general meeting a majority of the members present vote in favour of the lifting of the expulsion the expulsion is to be taken to have been lifted and the expelled member is entitled to continue as a member of the Club.



- (5) If at the special general meeting a majority of the members present vote in favour of the confirmation of the expulsion the expulsion takes effect and the expelled member ceases to be a member of the Club.

36. Disputes

- (1) A dispute between a member of the Club in the capacity as a member and the Club is to be determined by arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the *Commercial Arbitration Act 1892*.
- (2) This rule does not affect the operation of rule 35.

37. Seal of Club

- (1) The seal of the club is to be in the form of a rubber stamp inscribed with the name of the club encircling the word "seal".
- (2) The seal of the Club is not to be affixed to any instrument except by authority of the committee.
- (3) The fixing of the seal is to be attested by the signatures of 2 members of the committee or one member of the committee and any other person the committee may appoint for that purpose.
- (4) Attestation under sub-rule (3) is sufficient for all purposes that the seal was affixed by authority of the committee.
- (5) The seal is to remain in the custody of the Secretary.

38. Uniform

- (1) The Club colours shall primarily be navy blue and shall not be changed without the concurrence of at least three-quarters majority of members present at an annual general meeting or special general meeting.
- (2) The committee, subject to sub-rule (1), may determine the style of the uniform of the Club.

39. Alteration to rules

- (1) The name and the rules of the Club may only be altered with the concurrence of at least three-quarters of members present at a special general meeting of the Club the notice for which shall set out all changes proposed and the reasons for change.