Spring Bay Boat Club Constitution

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1. Name of Club

The name of the club shall be the SPRING BAY BOAT CLUB Inc. (in these rules called "the Club")

2. Interpretation

2.1 In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears –

"committee" means the committee of management,

"flag officers" means the Commodore, Vice-commodores (sail & power) and Rear Commodore

"general meeting" means (a) Annual General Meeting held under Rule 11

(b) Special General Meeting held under Rule 12

"member" means any person who has been duly admitted to any of the classes of membership established under these rules with the exception of those of Junior Member and Honorary Member.

- 2.2 In these rules, expressions referring to writing shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as including references to printing, lithography, photography, electronic (eg. Email, Fax) and any other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.
- 2.3 Words or expressions contained in these rules shall be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the Acts Interpretation Act 1931 and the Act as in force on the date on which these rules are adopted by the Club.

3. Club's office

The office of the Club shall be at Esplanade East, Triabunna or at such other place as the committee may, from time to time, determine.

4. Objectives and purposes of the Club

- 4.1 The primary objectives of the Club shall be -
 - (a) to promote and further boating as a sport and as a recreation
 - (b) to provide a communal infrastructure for boat-owning members

A secondary objective of the Club shall be -

- (c) to establish and maintain a social hub for its members.
- 4.2 In addition to the basic objectives of the Club the objectives and purposes of the Club shall be deemed to including the following powers
 - (a) the purchase, taking on lease or in exchange, and the hiring or otherwise acquiring of any real or personal property that may be deemed necessary or convenient for any of the objectives or purposes of the Club,
 - (b) the buying, selling, and supplying of, and dealing in, goods of all kind

- (c) the construction, maintenance or alteration of any building or works necessary or convenient for any of the objectives or purposes of the Club,
- (d) the accepting of any gift, whether subject to a special trust or not, for any one or more of the objectives or purposes of the Club,
- (e) the borrowing and raising of money in manner and terms as the committee think fit, or as approved by resolution at a general meeting.

5. Membership of Club

5.1 Classes of Membership

There shall be four classes of membership-

- (a) Member,
- (b) Life Member,
- (c) Junior Member,
- (d) Honorary Member.

5.2 Definition of Classes of Membership

- (a) A Member can be any person over the age of eighteen years or a family including children under 18 years of age
- (b) Pursuant to Rule 26 of these rules the club may fix an annual subscription to be paid by any dependant of a Member on that person's being admitted as a Member or Junior Member.
- (c) A Junior Member shall not have attained the age of eighteen years. A Junior Member has the right to attend any Club activities and functions when in the company of a senior Member. A Junior Member does not have the right to vote at any General Meeting.
- (d) A Life Member shall have served the club for not less than fifteen years and shall have provided outstanding meritorious service to the club in recent years.
- (e) Not more than one Life Member may be admitted in any one year.
- (f) A Life Member shall be exempt from the payment of annual subscriptions but shall continue to be responsible for the payment of all other fees and levies as are determined from time to time.
- (g) A Life Member must be elected by a majority of Members at a General Meeting.
- (h) The executive committee as provided under Rule 25.5, may direct the Secretary or Treasurer to record as an Honorary Member any person recommended as such, by two members of the Club, one of whom is a Flag Officer
- (i) The membership of an Honorary Member shall not extend beyond thirty days.

- (j) An Honorary Member has the same rights and privileges as other members except those of attending or voting at any meeting of the Club.
- 5.3 A nomination of a person for membership of the Club -
 - (a) shall be in writing, signed by two members of the club,
 - (b) shall be accompanied by the written consent of the person nominated (which may be endorsed on the form of nomination) and,
 - (c) shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Club.
- As soon as is practicable after the receipt of nomination, the Secretary shall refer the nomination to the committee.
- 5.5 Upon a nomination being approved by the committee, the Secretary shall with as little delay as possible, notify the nominee in writing, that he/she has been approved for membership of the club, and upon receipt of the sum payable by or on behalf of the nominee as his/her first year's subscription, the Secretary shall enter the nominee's name in a register of members to be kept by the Secretary, whereupon the nominee becomes a member of the Club.
- A member of the Club may at any time resign from the Club by delivering, sending by post or electronically to the Secretary, a written notice of resignation.
- 5.7 Upon receipt of a notice under Rule 5.6, the Secretary shall remove the name of the member by whom the notice was given from the register of members, whereupon that member ceases to be a member of the Club.
- 5.8 Any former member of the Club wishing to rejoin the Club shall be elected as provided by the Rules above. If lapse of Membership has been due to financial reasons, rejoining will be dependent upon payment in full of all monies previously owed.
- 5.9 A right, privilege, or obligation of a person by virtue of his/her membership of the Club-
 - (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person, and
 - (b) terminates upon the cessation of his/her membership, whether by death, resignation, or otherwise.
- 5.10 In the event of the Club being wound up-
 - (a) every member of the Club, and
 - (b) every person who, within the period of twelve months immediately preceding the commencement of the winding up, was a member of the Club,
 - (c) is liable to contribute to the assets of the Club for payment of the debts or liabilities of the Club and for the costs, charges, and expenses of the winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves such sum, not exceeding one dollar as may be required, but a former member is not liable so to contribute in respect of any debt or liability of the Club contracted after he/she ceased to be a member.

6. Income and property of Club

- 6.1 The income and property of the Club, however derived, is to be applied solely towards the promotion of the objectives and purposes of the Club and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by dividend, bonus or otherwise, to any member of the Club.
- 6.2 The club shall not
 - (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).
- 6.3 Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this rule prevents the payment in good faith to a servant or member of the Club of -
 - (a) remuneration in return for services actually rendered to the Club by the servant or member or for goods supplied to the Club by the servant or member, in the ordinary course of business,
 - (b) interest at a rate not exceeding 7.25% on money lent to the Club by the servant or member, or
 - (c) a reasonable amount by way of rent for premises, or a part of premises, let to the Club by the servant or member.

7. Accounts of receipts and expenditure

- 7.1 True accounts shall be kept-
 - (a) of all sums of money received and expended by the Club and the matter in respect of which the receipt or expenditure takes place, and
 - (b) of the property, credits, and liabilities of the Club, and subject to any reasonable restrictions as to time and manner of inspecting them that may be imposed by the Club for the time being, those accounts shall be open to the inspection of the members of the Club.
- 7.2 The Treasurer of the Club shall faithfully keep all general records, accounting books, and records of receipts and expenditures, connected with the operations and business of the Club in such form and manner as the committee may direct.
- 7.3 The accounts, books and records referred to in Rules 7.1 and 7.2 are to be kept at the Club's office or at such other place as the committee may decide.

8. Banking and finance

8.1 The Treasurer of the Club shall, on behalf of the Club, receive all moneys paid to the Club and after the receipt thereof, issue official receipts.

- 8.2 The Committee shall cause to be opened with such bank as the committee selects, a banking account in the name of the Club into which the Treasurer shall pay all moneys received as soon as possible after receipt.
- 8.3 Withdrawals from the Club's bank account(s), whether by cheque or electronically, must be authorised by two officers of the Club, approved by the Committee and recorded in the Minutes of a meeting.

9. Auditor

- 9.1 At each Annual General Meeting of the Club, the members present shall appoint a person who is a registered company auditor as the auditor of the Club.
- 9.2 A person so appointed shall hold office until the Annual General Meeting next after that at which he/she is appointed, and is eligible for re-appointment.
- 9.3 If an appointment is not made at an Annual General Meeting the committee shall appoint an auditor for the Club for the then current financial year of the club.
- 9.4 Except as provided in Rule 9.3, the auditor may only be removed from office by special resolution.
- 9.5 If a casual vacancy occurs in the office of auditor during the course of a financial year of the Club, the committee may appoint a person as the auditor and the person so appointed shall hold office until the next succeeding Annual General Meeting.

10. Audit of accounts

- 10.1 The accounts of the Club shall be examined by the auditor, at least once in each financial year.
- 10.2 The auditor shall certify as to the correctness of the accounts of the Club and shall report thereon to the members present at the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.3 In his/her report, and in certifying to the accounts, the auditor shall state -
 - (a) whether he/she has obtained the information required by him/her,
 - (b) whether, in his/her opinion, the accounts are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the financial position of the Club according to the information at his/her disposal and the explanations given to him/her and as shown by the books of the club, and
 - (c) whether the rules relating to the administration of the funds of the club have been observed.

- 10.4 The Treasurer of the Club shall cause to be delivered to the auditor a list of all the accounts, books, and records of the Club.
- 10.5 The auditor -
 - (a) has a right of access to the accounts, books, records, vouchers, and documents of the Club.
 - (b) may require from the servants of the Club such information and explanations as may be necessary for the performance of his/her duties as auditor,
 - (c) may employ persons to assist him/her in investigating the accounts of the Club, and
 - (d) may, in relation to the accounts of the Club, examine any member of the committee or any servant of the Club.

11. Annual General Meeting (AGM)

- 11.1 The Club shall, in each year, hold an AGM.
- 11.2 The AGM shall be held on such day (being not later than three months after the close of the financial year of the Club) as the committee may determine.
- 11.3 The AGM shall be in addition to any other general meeting that may be held in the same year.
- 11.4 The AGM shall be specified as such in the notice convening it.
- 11.5 The ordinary business of an AGM shall be-
 - (a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding AGM and of any general meeting held since that meeting,
 - (b) to receive from the committee, auditor and servants of the Club reports upon the transactions of the Club during the last preceding financial year of the Club,
 - (c) to elect the officers of the Club and the ordinary committee members,
 - (d) to appoint the auditor and determine his/her remuneration, and
 - (e) to determine the remuneration of servants of the Club,
 - (f) to determine the annual membership subscription for Members and Junior Members
- 11.6 An Annual General Meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these rules.
- 11.7 All general meetings other than the Annual General Meeting shall be called Special general meetings.

12. Special general meetings

- 12.1 The committee may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a special general meeting of the Club.
- 12.2 The committee shall, on the request in writing of not less than ten members, convene a special general meeting of the Club.
- 12.3 A request for a special general meeting shall state the objectives of the meeting and shall be signed by each requisitioner and deposited at the office of the Club and may consist of several documents in the like form, each signed by one or more of the requisitioners.
- 12.4 If the committee does not cause a special general meeting to be held within twenty one days from the date on which a request is deposited at the office of the Club, the requisitioner, or any of them, may convene the meeting; but any meeting so convened shall not be held after three months from the date of the deposit of the request.
- 12.5 A special general meeting convened by requisitioners in pursuance of these rules shall be convened in the same manner as nearly as possible as that in which those meetings are convened by the committee, and all reasonable expenses incurred in convening of the meeting shall be refunded by the Club to the persons incurring them.

13. Notices of general meetings

The Public Officer or Secretary of the Club shall, at least 14 days before the date fixed for holding a general meeting of the Club, advise by direct mail, newsletter or Email specifying the place, day, and time for the holding of the meeting, and the nature of the business to be transacted thereat.

14. Business and quorum at general meetings

- 14.1 All business that is transacted at special general meetings and all business that is transacted at the AGM, with the exception of that specially referred to in these rules as being the ordinary business of the annual general meeting, shall be deemed to be special business.
- 14.2 No item of business shall be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these rules to vote is present during the time when the meeting is considering that item.
- 14.3 Ten members personally present (being members entitled under these rules to vote thereat) constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a general meeting.
- 14.4 If within one hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the request of

members, shall be dissolved; and in any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time and (unless another place is specified by the chairperson at the time of adjournment or by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within one hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.

- 14.5 The rules of the Club may be changed only by special resolution of a general meeting, such resolution being passed by a majority of not less than three-quarters of such members who are entitled to vote as may be present in person.
- 14.6 The notice for a general meeting at which any proposal for a resolution to alter the rules of the Club is intended shall specify such intention in detail.

15. Chairperson at general meetings

- 15.1 The Commodore, or in his/her absence, the Vice-Commodore (Sail) or the Vice-Commodore (Power), or in the absence of all three the Rear Commodore shall preside as chairperson at every general meeting.
- 15.2 If the Commodore, Vice-Commodores and Rear Commodore are absent from a general meeting, the members present shall elect one of their number as chairperson.

16. Adjournment of general meetings

- The chairperson 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 shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.
- Where a meeting is adjourned for fourteen days or more, the like notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of the original meeting.
- 16.3 Except as provided in the foregoing provisions of this rule, 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 Motions arising at general meetings

17.1 A Motion arising at a general meeting of the Club is to be determined on a show of hands and unless before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands, a poll is demanded, then a declaration by the chairperson that a resolution has on a show of hands been carried, or carried unanimously, or carried by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect has been entered in the minute book of the Club, shall be evidence of the fact, - without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour, or against, - of that resolution.

- 17.2 Upon any motion arising at a general meeting of the Club, a member has one vote only.
- 17.3 All votes shall be given personally.
- 17.4 In the case of an equality of voting on a motion, the chairperson of the meeting is entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.
- 17.5 If at a meeting a poll on any motion is demanded, it shall be taken at that meeting in such a manner as the chairperson may direct, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting on that motion.
- 17.6 A poll that is demanded on the election of a chairperson, or on a question of adjournment, shall be taken forthwith, and a poll that is demanded on any other motion shall be taken at such time before the close of the meeting as the chairperson may direct.

18. Affairs of Club to be managed by a committee

- 18.1 The affairs of the Club shall be managed by a committee of management as provided in Rule 20.
- 18.2 The committee
 - (a) shall control and manage the business and affairs of the Club,
 - (b) may, subject to these rules, exercise all such powers and functions as may be exercised by the Club, other than those powers and functions that are required by these rules to be exercised and performed by general meetings of members of the Club,
 - (c) subject to the Act and these rules, has power to perform all such acts and things as appear to the committee to be essential for the proper management of the business and affairs of the Club, and
 - (d) may determine such by-laws consistent with these rules, as the committee considers necessary or desirable for the proper conduct of the affairs of the Club.

19. Officers of the Club

- 19.1 The officers of the Club shall be -
 - (a) Commodore
 - (b) Vice-Commodore (Sail)
 - (c) Vice-Commodore (Power)
 - (d) Secretary,
 - (e) Treasurer

- (f) Rear Commodore,
- (g) Communications Officer,
- (h) Public Officer (who may be one of the above).
- 19.2 The Vice-Commodore (Sail) and the Vice-Commodore (Power) have equal authority and are senior to other Officers (d) (h)
- 19.3 The provisions of Rules 21.2, 21.3 and 21.4 so far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply to and in relation to the election of persons to any office mentioned in Rule 19.1.
- 19.4 Each officer of the Club shall hold office until the conclusion of the AGM next after the date of his/her election but is eligible for re-election.
- 19.5 In the event of a casual vacancy in any office mentioned in Rule 19.1, the committee may appoint one of its members to the vacant office, and the member so appointed may continue in office up to and including the conclusion of the AGM next following the date of his/her appointment.

20. Members of the committee

- 20.1 The committee shall consist of -
 - (a) the officers of the Club, who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting in each year,
 - (b) in addition to the Officwers, at least three ordinary committee members, aiming for both male and female representation, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting in each year,
- 20.2 Each ordinary committee member shall, subject to these rules, hold office until the AGM next after the date of his/her election, but is eligible for re-election.
- 20.3 In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the office of an ordinary committee member, the committee may appoint a member of the Club to fill the vacancy and the member so appointed shall hold office, subject to these rules, until the conclusion of the AGM next following the date of his/her appointment.

21. Election of officers and committee members

- 21.1 Nominations for election as officers of the Club or as an ordinary committee member must be -
 - (a) made in writing, signed by two members of the Club and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the nomination); and be delivered to the Secretary of the Club at least seven days before the date fixed for holding of the AGM, or

- (b) be accepted from the floor at the Annual General Meeting, provided the candidate is present and gives consent or, if absent, has given consent in writing.
- 21.2 If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the committee, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be elected and further nominations shall be received at the next committee meeting.
- 21.3 If the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated shall be deemed to be elected.
- 21.4 If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies on the committee to be filled, a ballot shall be held.
- 21.5 The ballot for the election of officers and ordinary committee members shall be conducted at the AGM in such usual and proper manner as the committee may direct.

22. Vacation of office

For the purpose of these rules, the office of an officer of the Club, or of an ordinary committee member, becomes vacant if the officer or committee member –

- (a) dies,
- (b) becomes bankrupt, applies to take or takes advantage of any law relating to bankrupt or insolvent debtors or compounds with his/her creditors, or makes any assignment of his/her estate for their benefit,
- (c) becomes of unsound mind,
- (d) resigns office by writing or electronically addressed to the committee,
- (e) fails, without leave granted by the committee, to attend three consecutive meetings of the committee,
- (f) ceases to be a member of the Club, or
- (g) fails to pay all arrears of subscription due by him/her within fourteen days after he/she has received a notice in writing signed by the Secretary stating that he/she has ceased to be a financial member of the Club.

23. Meetings of the committee

- 23.1 The committee shall meet at least ten times in each calendar year at such place and time as the committee may determine.
- 23.2 Special meetings of the committee may be convened by the Commodore, or by any four of its members.
- 23.3 Notice shall 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 shall be transacted at such a meeting.

- 23.4 Any five members of the committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the committee.
- 23.5 No business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present and if within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same place and at the same hour of the same day in the following week unless the meeting was a special meeting, in which case it lapses.
- 23.6 At committee meetings -
 - (a) the Commodore, or in his/her absence the Vice-Commodore (Sail) or the Vice-Commodore (Power), or in the absence of all three, the Rear Commodore shall preside
 - (b) If all Flag Officers are absent, such one of the remaining members of the committee as may be chosen by the members present shall preside.
- 23.7 Questions arising at meetings of the committee or of any sub-committee appointed by the committee shall be determined on a show of hands or, if demanded by a member, by a poll taken in such manner as the person presiding at the meeting may determine.
- 23.8 Each member present at a meeting of the committee or of any sub-committee appointed by the committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote and, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a second or casting vote.
- 23.9 The time and place of Committee Meetings shall be advised to committee members at least seven days before the date of said meeting, complying with Rule 2.2 and following Rule 23.1.

24. Disclosure of interests

- 24.1 A member of the committee who is interested in any contract or arrangement made or proposed to be made with the Club shall disclose his/her interest at the first meeting of the committee at which the contract or arrangement is first taken into consideration, if his/her interest then exists, or in any other case, at the first meeting of the committee after the acquisition of his/her interest.
- 24.2 If a member of the committee becomes interested in a contract or arrangement after it is made or entered into he/she shall disclose his/her interest at the first meeting of the committee after he/she becomes so interested.
- 24.3 No member of the committee shall vote as a member of the committee in respect of any contract or arrangement in which he/she is interested and if he/she does so vote his/her vote shall not be counted.

25. Subcommittees

- 25.1 The committee may at any time appoint a subcommittee from the committee as it may think fit and shall prescribe the powers and functions thereof.
- 25.2 The committee may co-opt as members of a subcommittee such persons as it thinks fit, whether or not those persons are members of the Club, but a person so co-opted is not entitled to vote.
- 25.3 Three appointed members of a sub-committee constitute a quorum at a meeting of the sub-committee.
- Notice of each sub committee meeting shall be served on each member of the subcommittee by person, phone or electronically at a reasonable time before the meeting,
- 25.5 The Flag Officers constitute an executive committee, which may issue instructions to office bearers and servants of the Club in matters of urgency connected with the management of the affairs of the Club during the intervals between meetings of the committee and where any such instructions are issued shall report thereon to the next meeting of the committee.

26. Subscriptions and Fees

- 26.1 Annual membership subscription(s) shall be set at each AGM.
- 26.2 The annual subscription of a member is due and payable no later than 60 days from the commencement of a financial year at the rate determined at the previous AGM
- 26.3 Notwithstanding any of the other provisions of this rule, the Club may require its members to pay such fees and levies as are required as a result of the club becoming affiliated with other organizations.

27. Financial Year

The financial year of the Club is the period beginning on the first day of July in each year and ending on the thirtieth day of June next.

28. Service of notices and requests

A notice may be served by or on behalf of the Club upon any member either personally, by post to the member's nominated postal address or electronically

29. Expulsion of members

- 29.1 Subject to this rule, 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.
- 29.2 The expulsion of a member pursuant to Rule 29.1 does not take effect-
 - (a) until the expiration of fourteen days after the service on the member of a notice under Rule 29.3, or
 - (b) if the member exercises his/her right of appeal under this rule, until the conclusion of the special general meeting convened to hear the appeal, whichever is the later date.
- 29.3 Where the committee expels a member from the Club, the Secretary of the Club shall, without undue delay, caused to be served on the member a notice in writing
 - (a) stating that the committee has expelled the member,
 - (b) specifying the grounds for the expulsion, and
 - (c) informing the member that if he/she so desires he/she may, within fourteen days after the service of the notice on him/her, appeal against the expulsion as provided in this rule.
- 29.4 A member on whom a notice under Rule 29.3 is served may appeal against the expulsion to a special general meeting by delivering or by sending by post or electronically to the Secretary of the Club, within fourteen days after the service of that notice, a request in writing demanding the convening of such a meeting for the purpose of hearing his/her appeal.
- 29.5 Upon receipt of a request under Rule 29.4, the Secretary shall forthwith
 - (a) notify the committee of its receipt
 - (b) cause a special general meeting of members to be held within twenty-one days after the date on which the request was received.
- 29.6 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,
 - (b) the committee may place before the meeting details of the grounds of the expulsion and the committee's reasons for the expulsion,
 - (c) the expelled member shall be given an opportunity to be heard, and
 - (d) the members present shall vote by secret ballot on the question of whether the expulsion should be lifted or confirmed.
- 29.7 If at the special general meeting a majority of the members present vote in favour of the lifting of the expulsion, the expulsion shall be deemed to have been lifted and the expelled member is entitled to continue his/her membership of the Club.
- 29.8 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

30. Disputes

- 30.1 Subject to this rule, a dispute between a member of the Club, in the capacity as a member, and the Club shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1892.
- 30.2 Nothing in this rule affects the operation or effect of Rule 29.

31. Seal of Club

- The seal of the Club shall be in the form of a rubber stamp, inscribed with the name of the Club encircling the word "Seal".
- 31.2 The seal of the club shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the committee, and the affixing thereof shall be attested by the signatures of two members of the committee or of one member of the committee and of the public officer of the club or such other person as the committee may appoint for that purpose, and that attestation is sufficient for all purposes that the seal was affixed by authority of the committee.
- 31.3 The seal is to remain in the custody of the Public Officer or Secretary.

32. By-Laws

- 32.1 The Committee may, subject to these Rules, make, vary and rescind By-Laws for the better management and control of the Club.
- 32.2 A copy of any By-Laws for the time being enforced shall be kept displayed in a conspicuous place on the Club premises.