

CONSTITUTION

OF

**METROPOLITAN BOWLS
ASSOCIATION INC.**

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ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 1985 (SA)
CONSTITUTION
of
METROPOLITAN BOWLS ASSOCIATION

NAME OF ASSOCIATION

The name of the incorporated association is "Metropolitan Bowls Association" ("Association").

1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

Definitions

In this Constitution unless the contrary intention appears:

“**Act**” means the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985 (SA)*.

“**Annual General Meeting**” means a meeting of the kind described in clause 16.

“**Bowls**” means the game of lawn bowls played on grass or other substitute surfaces.

“**Bowls Australia**” means the National Sporting Organisation, Bowls Australia Incorporated.

“**Bowls SA**” means the State Sporting Organisation, Bowls SA Incorporated.

“**Constitution**” means this constitution of the Association.

“**Executive Committee**” means the body consisting of the elected President, Vice President and Office Bearers and constituting the committee of the Association for the purposes of the Act.

“**Financial year**” means the year ending on the next 31 May following incorporation and thereafter a period of 12 months commencing on 1 June and ending on 31 May each year.

“**Game**” means the sport of lawn bowls and includes the rules, laws and sporting ethics of bowls.

“**Intellectual Property**” means all rights subsisting in copyright, business names, names, trademarks (or signs), logos, designs, equipment including computer software, images (including photographs, videos or films) or service marks relating to the Metropolitan Bowls Association or any activity of or conducted, promoted or administered by the Metropolitan Bowls Association in South Australia.

“**Laws of the Sport**” means the *Laws of the Sport of Bowls in Australia*.

“**Member**” means a financial member, for the time being, of a Member Club within the Association, the Association, Bowls SA, Bowls Australia and World Bowls.

“**Member Club**” means a metropolitan Bowling Club which is admitted as an affiliated Member Club by the Association and the Board of Bowls SA.

“**Member Club Presidents**” means the persons appointed, for the time being, as the voting representatives of Member Clubs within the Association under clause 16.

“Objects” means the objects of the Association in clause 2.

“Office Bearer” means the six members duly elected to represent the Association on the Metropolitan Bowls Association under clause 10, and any person acting in that capacity from time to time and appointed in accordance with this Constitution.

“Ordinary Resolution” means a resolution passed at a meeting of the Executive Committee, by a majority of those present, entitled to vote and voting.

“Rules” means any rule, regulation, by-law or policy made by the Association under this Constitution or by Bowls SA and Bowls Australia.

“Seal” means the common seal of the Metropolitan Bowls Association.

“Special General Meeting” means a special general meeting of Presidents of affiliated Member Clubs convened in accordance with clause 18.

“Special Resolution” has the same meaning as in the Act and means a resolution passed at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Presidents of affiliated Member Clubs if:

at least 28 days written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution has been given to all Member Clubs; and

it is passed at a duly convened meeting of Presidents of affiliated Member Clubs by a majority of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Presidents of affiliated Member Clubs, or their proxies, present, entitled to vote and voting.

“Sport” means the sport of Lawn Bowls.

“World Bowls” means the International Federation for the Sport of Bowls.

Interpretation

In this Constitution:

- a reference to a function includes a reference to a power, authority and duty;
- a reference to the exercise of a function includes, where the function is a power, authority or duty, a reference to the exercise of the power or authority or the performance of the duty;
- words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- words importing any gender include the other genders;
- persons include corporations and bodies politic;
- references to a person include the legal personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns of that person;
- a reference to a statute, ordinance, code or other law includes regulations and other statutory instruments under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them (whether of the same or another legislative authority having jurisdiction); and
- unless the contrary intention appears, a requirement that something is in writing will be met if it is produced by electronic, photographic or other means by which it can readily be read and reproduced.

2. Objects and Purposes

The Objects and Purposes of the Association shall be:

- 2.1 to adopt and promote the Objects and Purposes of the Association and Bowls SA;
- 2.2 to comply with the Constitutions, By-Laws, Rules, Policies and Procedures of the Association and Bowls SA;
- 2.3 to administer the game in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls;
- 2.4 to promote, administer and advance the game of bowls within the defined area of the Association;
- 2.5 to foster good relations between Member Clubs and members of Member Clubs within the Association;
- 2.6 to consider and deal with matters referred to it by its aligned Member Clubs;
- 2.7 to conduct and control the pennant competition within the Association and other Association and Bowls SA events as may be determined from time to time;
- 2.8 to do all things incidental to the furtherance of the Objects and Purposes of the Association and Bowls SA.

3. Powers of the Association

For the purpose of carrying out its objects, set out above, and in addition to the rights, powers and privileges provided under the Act, the Association has power to:

- 3.1 acquire, hold, deal with, and dispose of, any real or personal property;
- 3.2 administer any property on trust;
- 3.3 open and operate Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions (ADIs) accounts;
- 3.4 invest its moneys in;
 - 3.4.1 any security in which trust moneys may, by Act of Parliament, be invested; or
 - 3.4.2 any other manner authorised by the rules of the Association;
- 3.5 borrow money upon such terms and conditions as the Association thinks fit;
- 3.6 give such security for the discharge of liabilities incurred by the Associations as the Association thinks fit;
- 3.7 appoint agents to transact any business of the Association on its behalf; and
- 3.8 enter into any other contract it considers necessary or desirable.

4. Member Clubs

- 4.1 All Member Clubs affiliated with the Association shall contribute each year to the proper transit and other expenses of the Association as determined at the Annual General Meeting of the Association.
- 4.2 The Executive Committee of the Association shall have the power to levy affiliated Member Clubs should additional funds be required to meet the expenses of the Association.

5. Life Membership

- 5.1 Life Membership may be conferred upon a member of a Member Club within the Association who has rendered distinguished or outstanding service to the Association in accordance with specific eligibility criteria.

- 5.2 Nominations for Life Membership must be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee of the Association for consideration and, if approved, shall be recommended to the next Annual General Meeting of the Association. Life Membership may be granted, provided the recommendation is carried by a three quarters majority, taken by ballot, of those present and entitled to vote.
- 5.3 A Life Member shall not be relieved of any of the financial obligations to the Association prescribed in clauses 4.1 and 4.2.

6. Executive Committee

- 6.1 The Association shall be administered by an Executive Committee comprising a President, a Vice President and six executives, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association for a one or two year term of office as determined at that meeting.
- 6.2 The Executive Committee shall, at their first meeting after elections, appoint a Chairperson from within its elected Members to preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee at which present.
- 6.3 Office Bearers of the Executive Committee shall, subject to these rules, be eligible for re-election.
- 6.4 In the event of a casual vacancy occurring, the Executive Committee may appoint a member of a Member Club within the Association to fill the vacancy, and the member so appointed shall hold office, subject to the rules, until the conclusion of the term of office of the member causing the vacancy.

7. President

The President of the Association:

- 7.1 shall be elected from nominations duly received in accordance with clauses 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4.
- 7.2 shall, if appointed as Chairperson, preside at all meetings at which present, other than those committee meetings of which not appointed as Chairperson. If not able to be present, or unwilling or unable to preside, the Vice President shall preside. If the Vice President is not present, or is unwilling or unable to preside, the Office Bearers present and entitled to vote shall appoint one of their number to preside as Chairperson at that meeting only;
- 7.3 shall, at meetings of the Association, be entitled to a deliberative and a casting vote, with the exception of a deliberative vote only in respect of elections to the Executive Committee;
- 7.4 may take only such actions as are determined by the Executive Committee, or by the Presidents of Member Clubs at any Annual General Meeting, Special General Meeting or Presidents Meeting of the Association;
- 7.5 may attend as ex-officio at all committee and sub-committee meetings of the Association.

8. Vice President

The Vice President:

- 8.1 shall be elected from nominations duly received in accordance with clauses 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4.
- 8.2 shall, in the absence of the President of the Association, preside as Chairperson at Executive Committee Meetings, Presidents of Member Clubs Meetings, Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings of the Association.

9. Office Bearers

The Office Bearers:

- 9.1 shall be elected from nominations duly received in accordance with clauses 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4.
- 9.2 shall perform such duties on behalf of the Association as agreed and directed by the Executive Committee.

10. Nominations and Elections

- 10.1 The President, Vice President and Office Bearers shall be elected by the Member Club Presidents at the Annual General Meeting of the Association.
- 10.2 The Association Secretary shall call for nomination of candidates for election as members of the Executive Committee not less than sixty days prior to the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting at which the elections are to take place.
- 10.3 Nominations may only be received from fully registered Members of affiliated Member Clubs.
- 10.4 Nominations may be submitted for more than one position, with the proviso that each nomination shall be:
 - 10.4.1 accompanied by the nominee's résumé;
 - 10.4.2 signed by a nominator and a seconder, both of whom must be fully registered Members of an affiliated Member Club; and
 - 10.4.3 certified by the nominee expressing their willingness to accept the position for which nominated.
- 10.5 The Association Secretary shall send to all members of the Executive Committee and all affiliated Member Clubs a list of nominees and their résumés with the agenda for the Annual General Meeting at least twenty eight days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting at which the elections are to take place.
- 10.6 All nominees shall be invited to attend the Annual General Meeting and, prior to the conduct of the elections, nominees shall be given the opportunity to speak in support of their nomination.
- 10.7 Where more nominations than vacancies are received, voting shall be by preferential voting. A non-voting person appointed as Returning Officer for the meeting, shall count the votes and the candidate receiving the greatest number of first votes of the Member Club Presidents present and entitled to vote shall be declared elected.
- 10.8 The election for each position shall be conducted, a determination reached, and the result declared by the Returning Officer in the following sequence:
 - 10.8.1 President;
 - 10.8.2 Vice President;
 - 10.8.3 Office Bearers.
- 10.9 If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be elected and further nominations may be received from the floor at the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.10 If insufficient further nominations are received, any vacant position shall be treated as a casual vacancy in accordance with clause 6.4.

- 10.11 If two (2) or more candidates receive an equal number of first votes for any position, the appointed Returning Officer of the meeting shall draw lots to decide the successful candidate.

11. Terminations

- 11.1 In addition to the circumstances in which the position of President, Vice President and or Office Bearer becomes vacant by virtue of the Act, the respective position also becomes vacant if the officeholder:

- 11.1.1 dies;
- 11.1.2 becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with their creditors generally;
- 11.1.3 becomes of unsound mind or a person whose person or estate is liable to be dealt with in anyway under the law relating to mental health;
- 11.1.4 resigns their office in writing to the Metropolitan Association;
- 11.1.5 is absent without leave from three consecutive meetings of the Executive Committee, automatically forfeiting their position on the Executive Committee;
- 11.1.6 accepts any office of employment with the Metropolitan Association;
- 11.1.7 is directly or indirectly interested in any contract or proposed contract with the Metropolitan Association and fails to declare the nature of their interest;
- 11.1.8 in the opinion of the Executive Committee or the Board of Bowls SA has:
 - 11.1.8.1 acted in a manner unbecoming or prejudicial to the Objects and interests of the Metropolitan Association, Bowls SA or Bowls Australia; or
 - 11.1.8.2 brought the Metropolitan Association, Bowls SA, Bowls Australia, any Member Club, any Member or the sport into disrepute;
 - 11.1.8.3 is removed by a Special Resolution of the Board of Bowls SA; or
 - 11.1.8.4 would otherwise be prohibited from being a Director of a corporation under the Corporations Law;

- 11.2 A President, Vice President or Office Bearer terminated by reason of the above shall retain the right of appeal to an independent arbitrator or panel in accordance with the laws of natural justice.

12. Casual Vacancies

- 12.1 In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the Office Bearers, the President, Vice President and remaining Office Bearers of the Executive Committee may appoint a fully registered Member of an affiliated Member Club to fill the vacancy.
- 12.2 The Member so appointed shall hold office until the conclusion of the term of office of the Office Bearer causing the vacancy.
- 12.3 In the event of a casual vacancy or vacancies in the office of President, Vice President, or Office Bearers the remaining Officers may act but, if the number of

remaining Officers is not sufficient to constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Executive Committee, they may act only for the purpose of increasing the number of Office Bearers to a number sufficient to constitute such a quorum.

13. Powers of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee, subject to these rules and to any resolution passed at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Association:

- 13.1 shall control and manage the affairs of the Association;
- 13.2 has power to perform all such acts as are deemed necessary or desirable for the proper management of the affairs of the Association, including but not limited to the following powers:
 - 13.2.1 to determine strategic directions of the Association, subject to consultation with Member Clubs within the Association, at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting;
 - 13.2.2 to fill casual vacancies on the Executive Committee;
 - 13.2.3 to recommend to the Annual General Meeting of the Association the amount to be contributed by Member Clubs within the Association to the funds of the Association for the ensuing year.
 - 13.2.4 to impose levies on Member Clubs within the Association, subject to the approval of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting;
 - 13.2.5 to employ or appoint personnel to provide secretarial services to the Association;
 - 13.2.6 to cause correct financial accounts and administrative records to be kept detailing the affairs of the Association;
 - 13.2.7 to interpret and ensure compliance with the Association Constitution, Bowls SA and Bowls Australia and to deal with any breaches as provided in clause 21;
 - 13.2.8 to deal with other matters which may arise, or matters which are not specifically provided for in these rules;
 - 13.2.9 to establish committees to exercise such functions as the Executive Committee shall determine, and to appoint members to those committees.

14. Secretary

The Secretary:

- 14.1 shall, whenever possible, attend all Executive Committee Meetings, Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings of the Association;
- 14.2 shall keep minutes of proceedings at Executive Committee Meetings, Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings of the Association;
- 14.3 shall attend to all correspondence in connection with the general business of the Association;
- 14.4 shall receive all moneys belonging to the funds of the Association and, within a reasonable time, deposit, or arrange the deposit, of such moneys with the Association's financial institution/s, or as directed by the Executive Committee;
- 14.5 shall be responsible for payment of all Association accounts which have been passed for payment by the Executive Committee;
- 14.6 shall keep correct accounts of all moneys received and expended;

- 14.7 shall prepare and submit financial statements at meetings of the Executive Committee, at Annual General Meetings of the Association; and
- 14.8 shall carry out administrative and financial duties as approved and directed by the Executive Committee.

15. Executive Committee Meetings and Quorum

- 15.1 The Executive Committee shall meet a minimum of three times a year, or as deemed appropriate, at such place and time as the Executive Committee shall determine.
- 15.2 Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be convened at any time by the President, or at the request of three Office Bearers of the Executive Committee.
- 15.3 Half plus one of the Office Bearers of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Executive Committee and no business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present.
- 15.4 Each Office Bearer present at a meeting of the Executive Committee, including the person presiding at that meeting, shall have one vote but, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may, subject to clause 7.4, exercise a casting vote.

16. Member Club Presidents Meetings and Quorum

- 16.1 Notices of Motion, and other agenda items for consideration at a meeting of Member Club Presidents, shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Association.
- 16.2 The Executive Committee of the Association and Member Club Presidents shall be given not less than twenty eight days' notice of the date, time and venue for a meeting of Member Club Presidents, together with the agenda for the meeting.
- 16.3 The President, Vice President and Office Bearers of the Association, and the President, or their proxy, from each Member Club within the Association are entitled to attend a meeting of Member Club Presidents.
- 16.4 A Member Club shall be entitled to appoint a member of the club to act as proxy, with power to vote, to replace their President who is unable to attend the meeting of Member Club Presidents.
- 16.5 A President, Vice President or Office Bearer of the Association may not act as a representative of a Member Club within the Association.
- 16.6 The President, Vice President and Office Bearer of the Association and Member Club Presidents, or their proxies, present and entitled to vote, shall be entitled to take place in debate.
- 16.7 Member Club Presidents, or their proxies, present and entitled to vote, shall be entitled to move or second any motion or amendment to a motion with the vote determined by a show of hands unless a ballot is requested by the majority of Presidents, or their proxies present. Postal voting shall not be allowed.
- 16.8 In accordance with clause 7.4 the Chairperson of all meetings of the Association shall be entitled to a deliberative and a casting vote with the exception of a deliberative vote only in respect of elections to the Executive Committee.
- 16.9 Member Club Presidents representing not less than fifty percent of Member Clubs, plus a minimum of three members of the Executive Committee, shall constitute a quorum, and no business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present.

17. Annual General Meeting

- 17.1 The Executive Committee shall call an Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Act and this Constitution.
- 17.2 The first Annual General Meeting shall be held within 18 months after the incorporation of the Association, and thereafter within five months after the end of its financial year and shall be convened at such place and time as determined by the Executive Committee.
- 17.3 Not less than twenty eight days' prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Association Secretary shall distribute to affiliate Member Clubs the Agenda and any Notices of Motions, which have been lodged with the Association Secretary, not less than forty days' prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 17.4 Member Club Presidents, or their proxies, present and entitled to vote shall be entitled to take part in debate and to move or second any motion or amendment to a motion. Members of the Executive Committee shall be entitled to take part in debate with no voting rights.
- 17.5 In the event of an equality of votes, the person presiding may, subject to clause 7.4, exercise a casting vote.
- 17.6 The business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting shall be in the following order:
 - 17.6.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and of any Special General Meeting held since that meeting;
 - 17.6.2 Receipt and adoption of the Annual Report and Financial Statements audited in accordance with clause 19.4;
 - 17.6.3 Determination of the Budget and Member Club contributions to Association funds for the ensuing year;
 - 17.6.4 Appointment of the Auditor;
 - 17.6.5 Notices of Motion for which due notice has been given in accordance with clause 17.3;
 - 17.6.6 Endorsement of Returning Officer;
 - 17.6.7 Voting by ballot for the election of the President, Vice President and Office Bearers in accordance with clause 10;
 - 17.6.8 Any other general business.

18. Special General Meetings

- 18.1 The Executive Committee shall convene a Special General Meeting of the Association when requested to do so in writing by the President, not less than three members of the Executive Committee, or by Presidents of three Member Clubs.
- 18.2 A Special General Meeting shall be held on a date and at a time and venue determined by the Executive Committee, within twenty-eight days from the date of receipt of the request.
- 18.3 The notice of a Special General Meeting shall state the business to be considered, and no other business shall be transacted unless otherwise agreed by the majority of those present and entitled to vote.
- 18.4 Member Club Presidents entitled to be present, or their proxies, shall be entitled to take place in debate and to vote as prescribed in clause 17.4.

19. Finance

- 19.1 The funds of the Association shall be retained with such financial institutions as shall from time to time be approved by the Executive Committee.
- 19.2 All moneys received by the Association shall be deposited as soon as practicable and without deduction to the credit of such financial accounts.
- 19.3 Authorisation of all expenditure and payments shall be signed by any two of the President, Vice President, Secretary and such other person or persons appointed by the Executive Committee.
- 19.4 The Executive Committee shall ensure that accounting records are kept as are necessary to correctly record the financial transactions and financial position of the Association.
- 19.5 Any expenditure exceeding the approved budget allocation shall require the prior approval of Presidents at a meeting of Member Club Presidents or Special General Meeting.
- 19.6 The Executive Committee shall review and approve the financial statements of the Association at each meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association.

20. Audit

- 20.1 The auditor of the Association shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting.
- 20.2 The auditor shall not be an Office Bearer of the Executive Committee.
- 20.3 The auditor shall have the power at all times to examine the books and the financial and associated documents of the Association.
- 20.4 As soon as practicable after the close of the financial year, the auditor shall audit the statement of receipts and expenditure and balance sheet of the Association since the end of the previous financial year. These statements shall be prepared by the Secretary in accordance with accepted accounting principles.

21. Member Misconduct or Breach of Rules

- 21.1 The Executive Committee shall have the power, after enquiry, to disqualify, suspend or otherwise penalise for misconduct, or for any breach of the rules or the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, any Member Club or member of a Member Club of the Association, for such period as it may decide, provided that:
 - 21.1.1 such Member Club or member of a Member Club shall be provided with a copy of the charge against them;
 - 21.1.2 not less than seven days' notice of the time and venue at which the charge is to be considered has been given by the Executive Committee, in order that the alleged offender may attend and be heard.
- 21.2 Such Member Club or member of a Member Club shall be entitled to a right of appeal. Such appeal shall be submitted in writing to the Association Secretary and referred for resolution to Bowls SA in accordance with clause 17 of the Bowls SA By-Laws.
- 21.3 Any penalty imposed by the Executive Committee which involves suspension or expulsion of a Member Club or a member of a Member Club must be reported to the Chief Executive Officer of Bowls SA and, at the same time, and if applicable, to all Member Clubs within the Association.

22. Dispute or Protest Resolution

- 22.1 Any dispute between Member Clubs or members of a Member Club, or a protest by any Member Club or member of a Member Club, must be submitted in writing to the Association Secretary, accompanied by the required lodgement fee, in accordance with the Bowls SA Fines, Penalties and Lodgement Fees policy, within seven days of the dispute or protest arising.
- 22.2 The dispute or protest shall be dealt with by a Hearings Panel appointed by the Executive Committee. A Hearings Panel shall not include any member of a Member Club involved in the dispute or protest.
- 22.3 The Association Secretary shall advise the disputant parties of the date and time of the meeting at which the dispute or protest is to be held, not less than seven (7) days prior to such meeting. The parties in dispute shall be entitled to attend and speak at that meeting.
- 22.4 The principles of natural justice shall be applied to all disputes and protests.
- 22.5 All parties in dispute shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Hearings Panel, and such appeal shall be submitted in writing to the Association Secretary and referred in writing to the Chief Executive Officer for resolution by the Board of Bowls SA.
- 22.6 The President of Bowls SA shall direct that a meeting of the Board be convened to hear the appeal within fourteen days of receipt of the notice of the appeal in accordance with clause 17 of the Bowls SA By-Laws.
- 22.7 The parties involved in the appeal shall be entitled to attend and speak at such meeting.
- 22.8 The President of Bowls SA has the ability to either abridge or extend the time for directing that a meeting of the Board be convened to hear the Appeal other than that referred to in clause 22.6 if in the opinion of the President of Bowls SA the circumstances require it.

23. Conflict of Interest, Pecuniary Interest, Vested Interest

- 23.1 At any meeting of the Association all members of the Executive Committee and Member Club Presidents present shall declare any conflict of interest, pecuniary interest and/or vested interest, absent themselves from discussions on the matter and shall not be entitled to vote in respect of such matter.
- 23.2 In the event of uncertainty as to whether there is a valid conflict of interest, pecuniary interest and/or vested interest, the matter shall be immediately determined by a vote of all present and entitled to vote.

24. Office Bearer Misconduct

- 24.1 At an Association Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting held for the purpose, the Member Club Presidents may, by a three-quarters majority vote, dismiss from office any elected member of the Executive Committee of the Association who is found guilty in accordance with this Constitution of:
 - 24.1.1 misappropriation of the funds of the Association;
 - 24.1.2 a substantial breach of the rules of the Association, Bowls SA or Bowls Australia;
 - 24.1.3 gross misbehaviour or gross neglect of duty; or
 - 24.1.4 ceasing, in accordance with this Constitution, being eligible to hold such office, provided that:

24.1.4.1 the elected member of the Executive Committee has been provided with a copy of any charge made against them;

24.1.4.2 at least seven days' notice has been given by the Association of the venue, date and time such charge is to be considered in order that the person may attend, with representation if desired, and be heard;

24.2 The member of the Executive Committee shall be entitled to a right of appeal to the Board of Bowls SA in accordance with the clause 17 of the Bowls SA By-Laws.

25. Privacy Act

The Association, in conducting the business and carrying out the Objects of the Association, shall abide by the Australian Privacy Principles of the Privacy Act 1888 as amended by the Privacy Amendment Act 2012 and adopted March 12, 2014.

26. Provision For Cases Not Provided For

In any matter whatsoever which is referred to the Association by any Member Club or Member, that is not provided for in this Constitution, or in the current issue of Laws of the Sport, the Executive Committee shall determine such matters and the decision of the Executive Committee thereon shall be final, except that the referring party, if dissatisfied with the decision, shall have the right to appeal in accordance with the clause 17 of the Bowls SA By-Laws.

27. Alteration of Constitution

27.1 A three quarters majority vote of those present and entitled to vote at an Annual General Meeting, or Special General Meeting of the Association, is necessary for new clauses to be added to the Constitution or existing clauses altered or repealed.

27.2 A copy of any proposed new clause, alteration or repeal, shall be submitted by the Association Secretary to Member Clubs within the Association, and Bowls SA not less than twenty eight days prior to such meeting and shall be inserted in the notice convening the meeting at which the proposed new clause, alteration or repeal is to be considered.

27.3 Any new or altered clause shall come into operation from the date of adoption unless another date is specified in the motion.

28. Dissolution

28.1 Subject to clause 29.1, the Association shall be wound up in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

28.2 The provisions of clauses 29.1 and 30 of this Constitution relating to the winding up and dissolution of the Association shall take effect and be observed as if the same were repeated in this clause.

29. Winding Up

29.1 The Association cannot be wound up or dissolved except by special resolution at a Special General Meeting of the Association or in any matter prescribed by the Act or not before giving Bowls SA 14 days' notice of its intention to do so.

29.2 The Member Club Presidents in attendance at the Association Special General Meeting shall determine that if upon winding up or dissolution there remains, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, such property shall not be paid or distributed among the Member Clubs within the Association but shall be distributed to such other body or bodies in the State of

South Australia having similar objects to the Association which prohibit the distribution of its income and property amongst its Members.

29.2 Such body or bodies shall be determined by the Member Club Presidents of the Association at or before the time of dissolution, and in default thereof by such judge of a Supreme Court as may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter.

30. Members' Contributions

Every Member of the Association undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Association in the event of the Association being wound up while a Member, or within one year after ceasing to be a Member for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association contracted before the time at which they ceased to be a Member, and the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for an adjustment of the rights of contributors among themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding \$1.00.