EXMOUTH GAME FISHING CLUB INCORPORATED
"EXMOUTH W.A"

- Exmouth Game Fishing Club Constitution 2017

1. NAME

1.1 "EXMOUTH GAME FISHING CLUB INCORPORATED".

2. DEFINITIONS

In these rules, unless the context requires other meaning the following shall be understood:

2.1 "Committee" shall mean the elected committee.

2.2 "Club" shall mean the Exmouth Game Fishing Club Incorporated.

2.3 "club activity" shall mean any competition or function or fund raising event or other activity as authorised by the committee and or sanctioned by a regulating authority when necessary.

2.4 "income" shall mean money legally raised by or donated to the club for the purposes of the objectives of the club.

2.5 "meeting" shall mean any properly convened meeting of the members of the club.

2.6 "member/s" shall mean any person/s eligible for membership of the club subject to classifications and requirements as set down in the constitution.

2.7 "month" shall mean calendar month.

2.8 "notice, notified, notification" shall mean by printed or written communication issued to a member by hand, posted, electronic mail or delivered to the members last known address and or by some form of public notification as decided by the committee.

2.9 "officer/s" shall mean any member holding an executive position on the elected committee of the club.

2.10 "property" shall mean any tangible item owned by the club and used for the purposes of the club.

2.11 "regulating authority" shall mean any organisation which has jurisdiction over and or whose regulations apply to the club.

2.12 "rules" shall mean the constitution of the club, which shall be read in conjunction with any by-laws or other regulations as may be instituted from time to time by the club or as required by a regulating authority.

2.13 "the act" shall mean the Associations Incorporation Act 1987.

2.14 "he" shall mean 'he or she" in all cases.

2.15 EGFC means Exmouth Game Fishing Club

2.16 WAGFA means West Australian Game Fishing Association

2.17 GFAA means Game Fishing Association of Australian

2.18 IGFA means International Game Fishing Association

2.19 AGM means Annual General Meeting

2.20 Public Notification means any notification placed in a publication, on the Club noticeboard at the designated EGFC Clubhouse, or on the EGFC official website.

3. OBJECTIVES

3.1 The promotion of salt-water game fishing through club and inter-club competitions.

3.2 To promote, encourage and participate in the study of saltwater game fish for the betterment of the sport.

3.3 To foster junior participation in the sport of saltwater game fishing.

3.4 To maintain affiliation with respective sporting associations WAGFA, GFAA and IGFA.

3.5 Club capture records: the club shall keep a list of all Game fish, Billfish and Sharks captured, showing the name of the angler, weight of the fish, species, tackle used, date of capture and approximate locality. At the close of each season the Weigh master shall forward a copy of this list to the WAGFA as per GFAA rule 21(b).

3.6 To promote social interaction between members of the Club and their guests, to provide accommodation, with all the privileges and advantages of a club, for the purposes aforesaid, upon premises of which the Club is a bona fide occupier.

3.7 To promote and encourage recreational fishing and sportsmanship, in all it's forms by providing the EGFC premises as a hub for those of all ages to interact in a friendly knowledge rich environment.

3.8 To provide a focal point for visitors and potential new members for current local fishing information, upcoming events as well as historic data and fishing memorabilia

in the EGFC premises.

4. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

4.1 Membership is open to any member of the public both male and female.

4.2 Application for membership shall be made on the prescribed form and forwarded together with the required membership fee to the Secretary or Treasurer.

4.3 All applications for membership shall be presented for acceptance at the next Committee meeting after receipt of the application. If no objections are raised within 7 days of presentation of the nomination the nomination is automatically accepted.

4.4 Any objections to membership applications must be presented in writing within 7 days of the meeting at which the membership application is presented. This will be then be discussed and put to a vote by the Committee at the next meeting. A simple majority will decide. If membership is refused by the Committee any membership fees paid will be refunded.

4.5 Only current financial members eligible as per membership classification may vote at meetings.

4.6 As per the act the club must have at least six (6) current financial members.

4.7 A person may not become an Ordinary Member of the club unless duly nominated on proper notice being given to the Ordinary Members of the club, and subsequently elected by the general body of members or by a committee in accordance with the constitution and rules.

5. MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION

5.1 Ordinary members

5.1.1 Such male and female persons aged 16 years and over who apply and are accepted for membership by the Committee, as per Rule 4.

5.2 Life members

5.2.1 Such male and female ordinary members who have rendered special services to the club and been appointed as per Rule 6.1.

5.3 Junior members

5.3.1 Such persons who have not reached the age of 16 years and whom the Committee elects from time to time.

5.3.2 Junior members have no voting rights at an AGM, General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

5.4 Temporary members

5.4.1 A person who is on any day visiting a club (the "host club") as a member or an official of another club (which includes people who are assisting a visiting club) -

(a) That is to engage in a pre-arranged event with the host club conducted for the purposes of one of the host club's principal objects; or

(b) That is to hold a pre-arranged function at the host club involving the use of the host club's sporting facilities,

may, for the purposes of this Act, be taken to be a person who is accorded temporary membership of the host club on that day in accordance with rules approved by the Director – [section 48(5) refers].

5.5 Social Angler

5.5.1 Social Angler shall, except where otherwise stated in the rules, have all the rights and privileges of ordinary members, excepting that under no circumstances shall they have any share in the property of the Club nor have the right to attend or vote at meetings of the Club, propose or second any candidate for election to office or the Committee, nor the right to hold office or be elected a member of the Committee.

5.5.2 Social Angler may be members of a Sub-committee chaired by a member of the EGFC Committee. Within that sub-committee they retain the right to enter into discussions, move motions and vote to allow them the opportunity to address such issues as their responsibilities require.

5.5.3 Social anglers are not eligible to fish GFAA or WAGFA sanctioned Tournaments.

5.6 Special / Honorary members

5.6.1 Such persons who are elected by the committee for services to the club in the manner provided by the By-laws for a specified period not exceeding 5 years

5.6.2 Special / Honorary members shall, except where otherwise stated in the rules, have all the rights and privileges of ordinary members.

5.7 Guests

5.7.1 Persons who may be signed in to the EGFC Clubhouse premises as guests by a member.

5.7.2 Such persons are bound by all the rules pertaining to EGFC members while in Clubhouse premises.

5.7.3 Any breach of the EGFC rules may result in the Guest being evicted from EGFC premises.

5.7.4 Any member who signs in a Guest is responsible for that person adhering to EGFC rules.

5.7.5 A person resident to Exmouth can only be signed in as a Guest on a maximum of five (5) occasions in any EGFC financial year.

5.7.6 The maximum number of guests per member per day for the purposes of section 48(4)(b) of the Act is five (5) for a full member.

5.8 Family Membership

5.8.1 A Family Membership means a maximum of 2 adults of the same immediate family and their dependants under the age of 16 years at the time of joining or renewal of membership.

5.8.2 Members of a Family Membership have all the rights and privileges of ordinary members and junior members.

5.9 Reciprocal Membership (Affiliate)

5.9.1 For the purposes of reciprocal membership in section 49(3)(c)(iv), the following arrangements are prescribed in the Liquor Control Regulations 1989:

(1) at an intrastate level, reciprocal arrangements may be offered to like clubs (e.g. bowling clubs with other bowling clubs, that is clubs with the same primary club objectives); and

(2) at an interstate and New Zealand level, reciprocal arrangements may be offered to any person who is a member of any bona fide club outside of WA.

5.9.2 A Register is to be kept of those who are accorded Reciprocal membership.

5.9.3 Reciprocal members must join EGFC if they are to fish a sanctioned event in the case that they are not affiliated with the GFAA.

6. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

6.1 Life members

6.1.1 Without notice, any member of the Committee may move at a Committee meeting that a person be appointed a Life member. If such motion is seconded and carried, at the General Meeting of the Club following such recommendation by the Committee, any member without notice may move that such member be appointed a Life member and if such motion be seconded and carried, such member shall forthwith become a Life member.

6.1.2 Without notice, once a person has been recognised as giving at least 10 years service as a Committee member which must include a minimum of 5 years as an executive member, the Secretary shall move at the next Committee meeting to recommend that such member be appointed a Life member. If such motion is seconded and carried at the General Meeting of the Club, following such recommendation by the Committee, the Secretary shall move that such person be appointed a Life member and if such motion be seconded and carried, such person shall forthwith become a Life member.

6.1.3 The Secretary has the obligation to move such motion, however, it is not the secretary's responsibility to determine 10 years service as a Committee member unless directed to by the Committee. The Committee may direct one of its members to determine if such a person qualifies.

6.2 Special / Honorary members

6.2.1 The Committee may elect Special / Honorary members who shall pay no entrance fee or subscription, subject to the provisions of the Club's Constitution and rules being complied with.

6.2.2 No person shall be allowed to become a Special / Honorary member of the Club or be relieved of the payment of the regular subscription who is under the age of 16 years.

6.2.3 Before any person can become a Special / Honorary member of the Club a member of the Club must propose the person in writing for such Special / Honorary membership. Such a proposal shall state that said person is to the knowledge of the proposer eligible according to the rules of the Club to be elected a Special / Honorary member and must be signed by the proposing member.

6.2.4 When the requirements of the foregoing rules have been complied with the proposed Special / Honorary member may be declared elected by a majority vote of the Committee.

6.2.5 Special / Honorary membership shall last from the date of election for such an extended period as the Committee may think fit. However, such period cannot exceed 5 years.

6.3 Junior to Ordinary members

6.3.1 A Junior member wishing to become an Ordinary member on attaining the age of 16 years is subsequently elected in the usual manner.

6.3.2 If such a member, at the absolute discretion of the Committee, is deemed to be an active, participating member of the Club, then his nomination shall take priority over all other nominations.

7. MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS AND REGISTER OF MEMBERS

7.1 Subject to seven days notice of motion being posted to each Committee person the Committee may, from time to time, limit the number of members of the club generally or specifically and may vary or withdraw such limit.

7.2 The club shall keep an up to date register in respect of each class of membership. This register must be continually available for inspection at the club premises.

8. MEMBERSHIP FEES

8.1 Fees shall be as set down by the EGFC committee at an ordinary committee meeting prior to December for the following Calendar year.

8.2 Fee categories will be as follows :-

Ordinary full fee as set down in Rule 8.1
Family 200% of full fee as set down in Rule 8.1
Social Angler 20% of full fee
Junior - 30% of full fee (rounded to nearest dollar) as set down in Rule 8.1

8.3 Fees shall be due and payable on the 1st day of July each year, and expire on the 30th day of June of the following year.

8.4 A defined annual, half yearly or quarterly subscription fee shall be payable in advance.

8.4 The Committee, by vote and simple majority has the power to remit any subscription or any part thereof.

9. CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

9.1 A member shall cease to be a member of the Club by: -

9.1.1 Death.

9.1.2 Non payment of fees by due date.

9.1.3 Resignation.

9.1.3.1 A member may resign from the Club by giving notice to the Secretary. Membership ceases on tabling of notice at the next Committee meeting after receipt of notice.

9.1.4 Expulsion or Suspension

9.1.4.1 A member may be temporarily expelled or suspended from the Club, effective immediately, for a period determined by the committee not exceeding 28 days, if the Committee considers that member's conduct to be detrimental or prejudicial to the Club and its members and objectives.

9.1.4.2 To make expulsion or suspension permanent the Committee shall give the member at least seven (7) days notice of a meeting at which the expulsion or suspension will be discussed and such notice shall state why the member is being considered for expulsion or suspension. The member is entitled to attend such meeting and to address the Committee.

9.1.4.3 The decision to expel or suspend a member shall be by a resolution carried by a majority of the Committee at the meeting.

9.1.4.5 The expulsion or suspension of the member takes effect immediately after issue of notice of the decision of the Committee.

9.1.4.6 A member may appeal against the decision of the Committee by notice to the members of the Club. Such appeal shall be heard at a special general meeting called for that purpose.

9.1.5 Unpaid monies.

9.1.5.1 Should any member have monies due to the Club remain unpaid for two months that member shall be notified in writing. Should the amount due remain unpaid 30 days after such notice, the Committee shall strike their name off the books wherein their membership shall cease. Consideration will be given if the member has been absent from Western Australia, or for any other reason the Committee considers it proper to extend the time allowed for payment or to remit the whole or a portion of the sum due.

10. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

10.1 The Officer bearers and Committee of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Weigh master and a minimum of three Committee members to a maximum of ten, elected at the Annual General Meeting for a period not less than twelve months and not exceeding 3 years.

10.2 The period of the election is to be advertised with the notice issued for that election.

10.3 Office bearers may upon appropriate notice be elected for individual periods.

10.4 Committee members will all be elected for the same period.

11. MANAGEMENT OF THE CLUB

11.1 Management of the Club shall be by a Committee of members elected by the members. Such Committee shall have the power to act in all matters on behalf of the Club in accordance with these rules.

11.2 Signatories of the club shall be a minimum of two of the executive officers.

12. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

12.1 Shall be held at the AGM for a term expiring at the next AGM, or any nominated period not less than 12 months and not exceeding 3 years.

12.2 Only members are eligible for election subject to membership classification as set out in the rules.

12.3 Nominations shall be in writing on the form provided for that purpose and may only be made by a member and must be seconded by another member and accepted by the nominee who may be elected to a position in absentia.

12.4 The Secretary prior to the commencement of the AGM must receive all nominations.

12.5 In the event only one written nomination for a position is received that nominee shall be elected to the position automatically.

12.6 In the event no written nominations are received nominations may be accepted, seconded and accepted or declined from members present at the meeting.

12.7 Committee vacancies during a current term shall be filled by a current financial member appointed by the Committee for the remainder of the current term.

13. CESSATION OF OFFICE BEARERS OR COMMITTEE MEMBER SHALL BE BY

13.1 Death.

13.2 Resignation from the Committee, such resignation to conform to procedures as per these rules.

13.3 Expulsion or suspension from the Committee, such expulsion to conform to procedures as per these rules -

13.3.1 On expulsion or suspension from the Committee the member is also automatically expelled or suspended from the Club.

13.3.2 A member may appeal against the decision of the Committee. Such appeal is to conform to procedures as per section 9.1.4.6 of these rules.

14. SUB-COMMITTEES

14.1 The Committee may establish a sub-committee from amongst the members to carry out tasks and duties as required. A member of the Committee shall be appointed as chairman of such sub-committee and shall present the findings, proposals and requests of the sub-committee to the Committee for final approval.

15. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

15.1 Duties of the President

15.1.1 Ensure regular Committee meetings are held, manage and facilitate the meetings of the Club and ensure meetings are run in accordance with these rules.

15.1.2 Act as chairman for all meetings of the Club unless otherwise decided by the Committee and have a casting vote in addition to a deliberate vote at all meetings of the Club while holding the chair.

15.1.3 Ensure the rules of the Club and the requirements of all policies, procedures, regulating authorities and legal obligations of the Club are fulfilled.

15.1.4 Ensure the club's obligations as a member of WAGFA are met.

15.1.5 Prepare an annual report for presentation at the AGM.

15.1.6 Act as spokesperson for the Club unless otherwise directed by the Committee.

15.1.7 Perform such other duties as imposed by these rules or as directed by the Committee.

15.1.8 Ensure that wherever applicable the EGFC has a representation on any Committee's, working body's etc, with outcomes that may effect its members.

15.1.9 Ensure that a delegate is appointed to represent the Club's interests at WAGFA delegates meetings and AGM.

15.1.10 In the event that the President is unavailable for any period of time the Vice President shall assume his duties. In the event the President and Vice President are unavailable for any period of time a member of the Committee elected by a majority vote of the Committee shall undertake the duties of the President.

15.2 Duties of the Vice President

15.2.1 To assist the President in the performance of his duties as set down in the rules.

15.3 Duties of the Secretary

15.3.1 Call meetings as directed in accordance with these rules.

15.3.2 Attend and ensure that accurate minutes are taken of all Committee and General Meetings and that such minutes are properly filed and copies distributed to Committee members.

15.3.3 Ensure that a list of correspondence received and sent by the secretary is available at each meeting relevant to that correspondence and that correspondence requiring action is brought to the attention of the Committee and properly responded to and that correspondence is properly filed and is available for any member of the Club to examine.

15.3.4 Keep and maintain an up-to-date register of Committee members.

15.3.5 Keep and maintain an up-to-date record of the rules of the Club and ensure that all members receive a copy and are notified of any changes to the rules.

15.3.6 Be responsible for the seal of the Club and ensure that it is only used on proper authority.

15.3.7 Ensure the requirements of all policies, procedures, regulating authorities and

legal obligations of the Club are brought to the attention of the Committee and fulfilled where necessary.

15.3.8 Perform such other duties as imposed by these rules or as directed by the Committee.

15.3.9 In the event that the Secretary is unavailable for any period of time a member of the Committee elected by a majority vote of the Committee shall undertake the duties of the Secretary.

15.4 Duties of the Treasurer

15.4.1 Ensure proper books of account are kept and the safekeeping of all books and documents of a financial nature including securities.

15.4.2 Ensure that the income of the Club is properly receipted and banked and used only for the purposes of the objectives of the Club.

15.4.3 Bring to the attention of the Committee all accounts requiring payment and ensure that all payments as authorised by the Committee are drawn on the correct account.

15.4.4 Ensure all books are audited each financial year and an audited financial report of the accounts of the Club is submitted to members at the AGM.

15.4.5 Ensure the financial obligations and requirements of banking institutions, funding bodies, regulating authorities or other organisation pertaining to the Club are brought to the attention of the Committee and fulfilled where necessary.

15.4.6 Prepare and issue yearly membership accounts.

15.4.7 Perform such other duties as imposed by these rules or as directed by the Committee.

15.4.8 In the event that the Treasurer is unavailable for any period of time a member of the Committee elected by a majority vote of the Committee shall undertake the duties of the Treasurer.

15.4.9 Keep and maintain an up-to-date register of members.

15.5 Duties of the Weigh master

15.5.1 Keep a journal for the purposes of recording Club captures.

15.5.2 In such journal keep a record of captures as per Objectives 3.5.

15.5.3 Ensure appropriate certification is kept up to date for Club scales for weighing

and record claiming purposes.

15.5.4 Receive all record claims and check they are correct before passing on to the WAGFA Recorder.

15.5.5 Ensure appropriate Tournaments are sanctioned by WAGFA by completing and submitting all required documentation.

15.5.6 Submit Weigh master's report to each WAGFA delegates meeting.

15.5.7 Co-ordinate with Committee to ensure that an appropriate weigh master is in place for advertised Tournament Weigh-in times.

15.5.8 Provide a list of Perpetual Trophy winners for yearly presentation as per Club fishing rules.

15.5.9 In consultation with committee members set Tournament and Club competition dates and parameters.

15.5.10 Keep as up to date as possible copies of State, Australian and IGFA records.

15.5.11 Have available copies of Record claim forms for member's claims.

15.5.12 Perform such other duties as imposed by these rules or as directed by the committee.

15.6 Duties of the Committee

15.6.1 To assist the Executive Officers in the undertaking of their duties and perform such other duties as set down in the rules and or as directed by the Committee.

16. RETIRING PRESIDENT

16.1 The retiring President shall be afforded the privilege to attend Committee meetings in the calendar year following retirement and be afforded a voice at such meetings however if he is not an elected member to such Committee, he has no rights to vote, move or second any motions.

17. PAID EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

17.1 At a General meeting, a person may be elected to a position/s on the executive whose prime purpose is to receive remuneration for fulfilling the obligations of that position. Where this happens,

17.1.1 Notice must be given prior to the election of this intention and intended remuneration and it shall be reflected in the minutes as such.

17.1.2 If such a person is a non-member to satisfy constitutional requirements upon election they shall be automatically afforded Senior membership for the duration of their elected term.

17.1.3 Receiving such remuneration and membership in no way diminishes any responsibility due the position/s as per this Constitution.

17.1.4 Such person, once elected, has all the rights and privileges of a senior member.

18. INCOME AND PROPERTY

18.1 Income of the Club shall be applied solely toward the purpose of the objectives and general operational expenses of the Club and no part of that income may be used for any other purpose or paid to members or non members except in good faith in the promotion of those objectives and as approved by the Committee or a resolution of a General Meeting of the members of the Club as detailed in these rules.

18.2 Property shall not be purchased, acquired or accepted in donation by the Club other than for the purpose of the objectives of the Club.

18.3 Property shall not be purchased without approval of a majority vote of the Committee.

18.4 Property shall not be disposed of without approval of a majority vote of the Committee.

19. MEETINGS

19.1 Committee Meetings

19.1.1 The Committee shall meet as required but not less than once every three (3) months.

19.1.2 Any two (2) members of the Committee may request a meeting at any time and notify the Secretary who shall convene such meeting.

19.1.3 The quorum for a meeting shall be four (4) of which two (2) must be the President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer.

19.1.4 Members may attend Committee meetings, however, can only have input when invited to by the chair.

19.1.5 Only Committee members may vote at Committee meetings.

19.1.6 Each Committee member shall have one vote.

19.1.7 Voting shall be in person by a show of hands and all decisions at meetings will be passed if a majority vote is obtained.

19.1.8 In the event of a tied vote the President shall have a casting vote.

19.1.9 Non members may be invited to attend Committee meetings to provide information to assist the Committee in the furtherance of the objectives of the Club.

19.2 Annual General Meetings (AGM)

19.2.1 The AGM shall be held within four months of the conclusion of the club's financial year on a day to be determined by the committee.

19.2.2 Not less than fourteen (14) days notice of the AGM shall be given to all members and the public and shall specify the place, date and time of such meeting.

19.2.3 Any notice of motion for inclusion on the agenda of the AGM must be proposed by a member and seconded by another member and received by the Secretary not less than seven (7) days before the date of the AGM.

19.2.4 Notice of other business for inclusion on the agenda of the AGM must be received by the Secretary not less than seven (7) days before the date of the AGM.

19.2.5 Copies of notices of motion will be supplied to members prior to the commencement of the meeting.

19.2.6 The business of the AGM shall be presentation and acceptance of:

19.2.6.1 Minutes of AGM of previous year

19.2.6.2 Business arising from minutes

19.2.6.3 President's annual report

19.2.6.4 Treasurer's report and the audited financial statements

19.2.6.5 Notice of motions as itemised on the agenda.

19.2.6.6 Other Business as itemised on the agenda.

19.2.6.7 Departure of sitting committee members.

19.2.6.8 Election of new committee members which may be by secret ballot if requested by two members.

19.2.6.9 Appointment of Patron if members present pass such motion.

19.3 Special General Meetings

19.3.1 The Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting of the Club within fourteen (14) days of receiving a directive from the Committee; or notice signed by five (5) members such notice must specify the nature of the business to be carried out at that meeting.

19.3.2 Not less than Seven (7) days notice of a Special General Meeting shall be given to

all members and shall specify the place, date and time and nature of the business to be carried out at that meeting.

19.3.3 Only business placed on the agenda will be discussed at Special General Meetings.

19.4 Quorum for General Meetings

19.4.1 The quorum for a general meeting shall be fifteen (15) members of which two must be executive officers.

19.4.2 If there is no quorum within Sixty (60) minutes of the starting time the meeting shall adjourn for a period of not more than thirty (30) days.

19.4.3 All members shall be notified within seven (7) days of the adjourned meeting.

19.4.4 The quorum for the adjourned meeting shall be the number of members of which two must be executive officers present within sixty (60) minutes after the starting time.

19.5 Voting at General Meetings

19.5.1 Shall be in person or by proxy as detailed below.

19.5.2 Only members may vote at General Meetings of the Club.

19.5.3 All decisions shall be decided by a majority of votes cast by a show of hands except in the case of election of Committee at AGM which may be by secret ballot requested by two members.

19.5.4 A member may submit a notice of proxy vote nominating another member to vote in his stead at a meeting. Such notice signed by both members must be received by the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting at which the proxy vote is to be exercised.

19.5.5 A member may submit a notice of absentee vote on the items on the agenda for a meeting from which he shall be absent. Such notice must be received by the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting.

20. PECUNIARY INTEREST

20.1 Any member of the Club who has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in any matter to be considered at any meeting of the Club shall as soon as they are aware of their interest disclose the extent of that interest to the meeting.

20.2 If they do not declare the interest, any motions and/or votes will be declared void once that interest has been brought to the attention of the committee.

20.3 If requested by at least 2 committee members a vote, without the concerned person participating, will be called to determine whether that person can contribute to the discussion and whether that person can vote on the matter.

21. FINANCE

21.1 All income of the Club shall be deposited to the credit of the Club at such Bank or Building Society as may be approved by the Committee from time to time.

21.2 The financial year of the Club shall be from 1st January of one year to the 31st December of the same year.

21.3 All cheques and electronic withdrawals drawn on the Club's accounts shall be signed by any two of the Club's signatories.

22. AUDITORS AND AUDITED ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

22.1 Auditors for the Club shall be appointed by the Committee.

22.2 The Committee shall give to the auditor at all reasonable times full access to the books of account of the Club and afford the auditor every facility for the purpose of making a correct audit of the Club's financial affairs.

22.3 The club's accounts and records are to be audited immediately following the end of the club's financial year.

23. INSPECTION OF ASSOCIATION RECORDS

23.1 Upon reasonable notice to the Committee any member may inspect the records, books of account and documents of the Club except members' personal records and may copy or take an extract from the records but shall have no right to remove the records for that purpose or make any alterations to the records.

24. COMMON SEAL OF THE CLUB

24.1 The Club shall have a Common Seal on which the corporate name shall appear.

24.2 The Common Seal of the Club shall not be used without the express authority of the Committee and every use of that Common Seal shall be recorded in the minutes of the next Committee meeting.

24.3 The affixing of the Common Seal of the Club shall be witnessed by any two of the Club signatories.

24.4 The Common Seal of the club shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary or such other person as the Committee from time to time decides.

25. ALTERATION OF CONSTITUTION

25.1 Alterations to the constitution of the Club shall be by a resolution passed by at least

75% of the members present and eligible to vote at a Special or Annual General Meeting.

25.2 The Secretary must, within 28 days after the passing of a special resolution to alter the constitution of the Club, lodge with the Regulating Authorities all applicable notices and fees to that effect.

25.3 All members of the Club shall be advised within 28 days of the passing of a resolution to alter the constitution of the Club.

25.4 All organisations and individuals associated with the Club shall be advised where necessary within 28 days of the receipt of the approval of the alteration by the Regulating Authorities

25.5 As soon as is practicable after the making of any proposal for a change
(i) in the appointment of a person as Trustee to hold the licence for the club; or
(ii) to the constitution or rules of the club,
The secretary of the club shall provide to the Director of Racing, Gaming & Liquor with certified particulars of the proposed change. Effect is not given to the change without the prior approval of the Director.

26. INSURANCE

26.1 The Committee shall ensure that the club has appropriate and adequate insurance at all times including Property and public liability.

27. DISSOLUTION

27.1 Dissolution of the Club shall be decided at a Special General Meeting called by the Committee or at the written request of ten (10) members.

27.2 The motion for dissolution of the Club must be passed by a minimum of 75% of the total vote for it to succeed.

27.3 If on dissolution of the Club any property or income of the Club which remains after satisfaction of the debts and liabilities of the Club and the costs, charges and expenses of the dissolution shall be transferred to the West Australian Game Fishing Association.

27.4 The Secretary must, within 28 days after the passing of a special resolution to dissolve the club, lodge with the commissioner all applicable notices to that effect.

27.5 All members and organisations and individuals associated with the Club shall be advised within 28 days of the decision to dissolve the Club.