

MERSEY YACHT CLUB INC

MERSEY YACHT CLUB Inc. CONSTITUTION

(July 2013)

1 Name

- (1) The name of the Association shall be "The Mersey Yacht Club Incorporated", (in these rules called "the Club").

2 Interpretation

- (1) In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears, "committee" means the committee of management of the Club; "general meeting" means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with rule 13; "ordinary committeeman" means a member of the committee to whom paragraph (b) of sub-rule (1) of rule 23 relates.
- (2) In these rules, expressions referring to writing shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as including references to printing, lithography, photography, and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.
- (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, as if these rules were an Act of Parliament.

3 Club's Office

- (1) The Office of the Club shall be at Anchor Drive, East Devonport in Tasmania, or in such other place as the Committee may, from time to time, determine.
- (2) The postal address shall be Post Office Box 60, Devonport in the State of Tasmania, 7310 and all correspondence shall be addressed to The Secretary for registration in inwards mail register.

4 Objects and Purposes of the Club

- (1) The objects of the Club shall be the encouragement of yacht racing and the promotion of sailing, seamanship and boating in general and further the objects as set forth in rule 4 of the Association's Incorporation (Model Rules) Regulations 1965.
- (2) In this rule, "basic objects of the club" means the objects and purposes of the Club, as stated in the application under sub-section (2) of Section 7 of the Act for the incorporation of the Association lodged with the Registrar pursuant to that section.

5 Membership of Club

- (1) Subject to these rules a person who is nominated and approved for membership as provided in these rules is eligible to be a member of the Club on payment of the annual subscription prescribed in, or fixed under, these rules.
- (2) A person who is not a member of the Club at the time of incorporation of the Club shall not be admitted to membership:-
 - (a) unless he is nominated as provided in sub-rule (3) of this rule; and
 - (b) his admission as a member is approved by the Committee.
- (3) A nomination of a person for membership of the Club:-
 - (a) shall be made in writing, signed by two members of the Club, as provided by Rule 24;

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- (b) shall be accompanied by the written consent of the person nominated; and
- (4) Members of the Club shall consist of:-
- (a) Honorary Life Members - The Committee of its own motion or on the proposal of any ten (10) members shall have the power to elect as an Honorary Life Member any member of long standing who in the opinion of the Committee has over a long period (e.g. 10 years) rendered outstanding, meritorious service to the Club, but such an election shall not take place unless and until it is confirmed by a three-quarters majority of the members present at the Annual General Meeting. An Honorary Life member shall not be required to pay any subscription but shall be entitled to all the privileges and benefits of a financial membership.
 - (b) Honorary Members (including Patrons) - Persons over the age of eighteen years may be admitted as Honorary Members by the Secretary or two members of the Club for a period of 28 days. Such persons shall be eligible to be admitted as an Honorary member under this rule for a longer period in any one year at the discretion of the Committee.
 - (c) Senior Members - Persons who are 18 years of age or over are eligible for Senior membership.
 - (d) Junior Members - Persons under the age of 18 years and or full-time students under the age of 25 years shall be eligible for Junior membership.
 - (e) Associate Members - Any non-boating persons are eligible for Associate membership. If an Associate Member becomes engaged in boating activities he shall apply for Senior, Family, Student or Recreational Power Boat User membership.
 - (f) Family Members - Shall be available to families of at least one parent or guardian and his, her or their children who are under 18 years of age or full-time students under the age of twenty five (25) years. Each group admitted to Family membership under this rule shall be known as a Family Member but one adult family member shall be deemed for all purposes of this constitution to be a senior member, the other adult family member shall be deemed for all purposes of this constitution to be a crew member and other family members shall be junior members. A group admitted to Family Membership shall within 7 days of such admission nominate by Notice in writing to the Secretary the name of the adult member of the group who shall be the Senior Member.
 - (g) Veteran Members - Persons over the age of 65 years shall be eligible for Veteran membership.
 - (h) Out of Port Members - Persons whose principal place of residence exceeds 80 kilometres from the Devonport Post Office.
 - (i) Student Members - Persons who are over 18 years of age and under 25 years of age who are full-time students shall be eligible for Junior Membership.
 - (j) Recreational Boat Ramp Users - Membership shall be available to members who wish only to use the Club boat ramp to launch and retrieve recreational trailerable boats, and the bar and changing room facilities.
 - (k) Crew Membership - Crew Membership shall be available to members who wish only to crew on vessels registered on the Club boating register. These members shall be entitled only to use the Club bar and change room facilities and crew on boats owned by Club members and registered on the Club Register.
- (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 has been approved for membership of the Club and, upon receipt of the sum payable by or on behalf of the nominee as his first year's

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subscription shall enter the nominee's name in a register of members to be kept by the Returning Officer, whereupon the nominee becomes a Member of the Club.

- (6) A right, privilege, or obligation of a person by virtue of his Membership of the Club: -
 - (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person; and
 - (b) terminates upon the cessation of his Membership, whether by death, resignation or otherwise.
- (7) 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, is liable to contribute to the assets of the Club for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Club and for the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up and for, the adjustment of rights of the contributors among themselves such sum, not exceeding \$1.00 '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 ceased to be a member.
- (8) The Secretary shall keep a Membership Register which shall record the history of each member.

6 Income and Property of Club

- (1) The income and property of the Club, however derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects 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.
- (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 persons any remuneration or other benefit in money or moneys worth (other than the repayment of out-of-pocket expenses).
- (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 10% on monies lent to the Club by the Servant or Member; or
 - (c) a reasonable and proper sum by way of rent for premises let to the Club by the Servant or Member.
- (4) All moneys lawfully owed to the Club by any member or any lapsed member shall be subject to an administration fee, at a rate to be determined by the Committee from time to time, on that sum that remains outstanding beyond thirty days after the sending of an invoice to the member or lapsed member at his or her last known address.

7 Accounts of Receipts and Expenditures

- (1) True accounts shall be kept:-

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- (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.
 - (c) The trading terms are thirty (30) days from the date of issue of invoice.
- (2) The Treasurer of the Club shall faithfully keep all general records, accounting books, and records of receipts and expenditure connected with the operations and business of the Club in such form and manner as the Committee may direct.
 - (3) The accounts, books and records referred to in sub-rules (1) and (2) of this rule shall be kept at the Club's office or at such other place as the Committee may decide.

8 Banking and Finance

- (1) The Treasurer of the Club shall on behalf of the Club, receive all moneys paid to the Club and forthwith after the receipt thereof issue official receipts therefore.
- (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 all moneys received shall be paid by the Treasurer as soon as possible after receipt thereof.
- (3) The Committee may receive from the Club's bank or bankers for the time being the cheques drawn by the Association on any of its accounts with the bank or bankers and may release and indemnify the bank or bankers from and against all claims, actions, suits, or demands that may be brought against the bank or bankers arising directly or indirectly out of those cheques or surrender thereof to the Club.
- (4) Except with authority of the Committee, no payment of a sum exceeding \$200.00 shall be made from the funds of the Club otherwise than by cheque drawn on the Club's bank account or electronic funds transfer (EFT), but the Committee may provide the Treasurer with a sum to meet urgent expenditure, subject to the observance of such conditions in relation to the use and expenditure thereof as the Committee may impose.
- (5) No cheques shall be drawn on the Club's bank account except for the payment of expenditure that has been authorised by the Committee.
- (6) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by other Members of the Committee as the Committee may nominate for that purpose.

9 Auditor

- (1) At each Annual General Meeting of the Association, the Members present shall appoint a person as the Auditor of the Club.
- (2) A person so appointed shall hold office until the Annual General Meeting next after that at which he is appointed, and is eligible for re-appointment.
- (3) The first Auditor of the Club may be appointed by the Committee before the first Annual General Meeting, and, if so appointed shall hold office until the first Annual General Meeting, unless previously removed by a resolution of the Members at a General Meeting, in which case the Members at that Meeting may appoint an Auditor to act until the first Annual General Meeting.
- (4) If an appointment is not made at an Annual General Meeting the Committee shall appoint an Auditor of the Club for the then current financial year of the Club.

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- (5) Except as provided in sub-rule (3) of this rule, the Auditor may only be removed from the office by special resolution.
- (6) If a casual vacancy occurs in the office of Auditor during the course of the financial year of the Club, the Committee may appoint a person as the Auditor and the person so appointed shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.

10 Audit of Accounts

- (1) Once at least in each financial year of the Club, the accounts of the Club shall be examined by the Auditor.
- (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.
- (3) In his report, and in certifying to the accounts, the Auditor shall state:-
 - (a) whether he has obtained the information required by him;
 - (b) whether, in his 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 disposal and the explanations given to him 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.
- (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.
- (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 duties, as Auditor;
 - (c) may employ persons to assist him 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

- (1) The Club shall, in each year, hold an Annual General Meeting.
- (2) The Annual General Meeting 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.
- (3) The Annual General Meeting shall be in addition to any other General Meetings that may be held in the same year.
- (4) The Annual General Meeting shall be specified as such in the notice convening it.
- (5) The ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:-
 - (a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting and of any General Meeting held since that meeting;
 - (b) to receive from the Committee, Auditor and Servants of the Club reports upon the transactions of the Club during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) to declare elected all Flag Officers of the Club and the ordinary Committeemen;
 - (d) to appoint the Auditor and determine his remuneration; and

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- (e) to determine the remuneration of the Servants of the Club; and
- (f) to declare elected a Returning Officer.
- (6) The Annual General Meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these rules.
- (7) All General Meetings other than the Annual General Meeting shall be called Special General Meetings.

12 Special General Meeting

- (1) The Committee may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a Special General Meeting of the Club.
- (2) The Committee shall, on the requisition in writing of not less than nine (9) members convene a Special General Meeting of the Club.
- (3) A requisition for a Special General Meeting shall state the objects of the meeting and shall be signed by the requisitionists 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 requisitionists.
- (4) If the Committee does not cause a Special General Meeting to be held within twenty-one days from the date on which a requisition therefore is deposited at the office of the Club, the requisitionists, or any of them, may convene the meeting; but any meeting so convened shall not be held after three months from the deposit of the requisition.
- (5) A Special General Meeting convened by requisitionists 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 the meeting shall be refundable by the Club to the persons incurring them.

13 Notice of General Meeting

- (1) The Secretary of the Club shall, to be in receipt fourteen (14) days prior to the date fixed for holding of a General Meeting of the Club, cause to be inserted in the Club's monthly newsletter a notice specifying the place, day and time of the holding of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted.

14 Business and Quorum at General Meeting

- (1) All business that is transacted at Special General Meetings and all business that is transacted at the Annual General Meeting, 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.
- (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.
- (3) Fifteen 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.
- (4) If within one hour after the appointed time for commencement of a General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition 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 Chairman at the time of the 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.

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15 Preside at General Meetings

- (1) The Commodore shall preside as Chairman of every General Meeting of the Club.
- (2) If the Commodore is absent from the General Meeting, the Members present shall elect one of their number to preside as Chairman thereat.

16 Commodore to Preside at General Meetings

- (1) The Chairman of a General Meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.
- (2) 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.
- (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 Questions Arising at General Meetings

- (1) A question arising at a General Meeting of the Club shall 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, a declaration by the Chairman 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 in the minute book of the Club is evidence of that fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, that resolution.

18 Votes

- (1) Upon any question arising at a General Meeting of the Club, Honorary Life Members, Senior Members, Family Members, Veteran Members, Out of Port Members only shall Vote and shall have one vote only. These members shall be known as voting members.
- (2) All votes shall be given personally.
- (3) In the case of an equality of voting on a question, the Chairman of the meeting is entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.

19 Taking of Poll

- (1) If at a meeting a poll on any question is demanded it shall be taken at that meeting in such manner as the Chairman may direct, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting on that question.

20 When Poll to be taken

- (1) A poll that is demanded on the election of a Chairman, or on a question of adjournment, shall be taken forthwith, and a poll that is demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time before the close of the meeting as the Chairman may direct.

21 Affairs of Club to be Managed by Committee

- (1) The affairs of the Club shall be managed by a Committee of Management constituted as provided in rule 23.
- (2) The Committee: -
 - (a) shall control and manage the business and affairs of the Club;

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- (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 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) shall have the right to amend, vary, delete and/or create any By-Laws for the management and control of the Club provided such action is not contrary to the express terms of these rules.

22 Officers of the Club

- (1) The officers of the Club shall be:-
 - (a) A Commodore
 - (b) A Vice-Commodore
 - (c) A Rear-Commodore
- (2) The Commodore, Vice-Commodore and Rear-Commodore shall be known as Flag Officers.
- (3) The provisions of sub-rules (2), and (3), and (4) of rule 24, so far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply to and in relation to the election of persons to any of the offices mentioned in sub-rule of this rule.
- (4) Subject to these rules, each officer of the Club shall hold office until the Annual General Meeting next after the date of his election and is eligible for re-election and the retiring Commodore, Vice-Commodore and Rear-Commodore shall be eligible for re-election for a maximum consecutive period of five (5) years to each of those offices.
- (5) In the event of a casual vacancy in any office mentioned in sub-rule (1) of this rule, 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 Annual General Meeting next following the date of his appointment.
- (6) No Member shall be eligible for election to the office of Commodore unless he has served for a period of one Club year as a Member of the Committee.

23 Constitution of Committee

- (1) The Committee shall consist of:-
 - (a) The Flag Officers,
 - (b) Eight other Members,
 - (c) The Immediate Past Commodore (in accordance with section 23 (5)). No person shall be a member of Committee unless elected and all shall be Members of the Club for at least twelve (12) months standing.
- (2) Each Ordinary Committeeman shall, subject to these rules, hold office for two years, after the date of election, but shall be eligible for re-election.
- (3) In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the office of Ordinary Committeeman, 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 Annual General Meeting next following the date of his appointment.
- (4) The Committee shall appoint one of its members who shall act as the Public Officer of the Club for the purposes of the Associations Incorporation Act 1964.

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- (5) The Immediate Past Commodore, if available, shall in addition be a Member of the Ordinary Committee for a period of one year only, with full voting rights.
- (6) The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Commodore from the members of the Ordinary Committee.

24 Election of Members of Committee

- (1) Nominations of candidates for election as Flag Officers, Ordinary Committeemen and Returning Officer:-
 - (a) shall only be made by the following Members - Honorary Life Members, Senior Members, Senior Family Members, Veteran Members and only such Members shall be accepted as nominees;
 - (b) shall be made in writing signed on a form issued by the Returning Officer and shall be made by at least two Members of the classifications qualified to nominate, both of whom shall have been such Members of the Club for not less than the preceding twelve months;
 - (c) shall be delivered to the Returning Officer of the Club at least fourteen (14) days before the date fixed for the day of voting.
- (2)
 - (a) Notices calling for nominations of Officers and Members of the Ordinary Committee shall be issued to Members and placed on the notice board 28 days prior to the day of voting.
 - (b) A Nomination Committee of at least three (3) Club Members shall be appointed by the Committee to ensure nominations for all positions by the due date.
- (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. However, should any of those vacancies so filled be for a one year term, then the Returning Officer will cause a lottery to be held in the presence of those assembled at the meeting to determine which if those members so deemed to be elected shall hold office for the one year term or terms as the case may be.
- (4) If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot shall be held, and conducted by the Returning Officer who shall use a preferential voting system.
- (5) In the event of a ballot, the Returning Officer shall make available a postal vote upon the personal application of a Member entitled to vote at the ballot.

25 Vacation of Office

For the purposes of these rules, the office of an Officer of the Club or of an Ordinary Committeeman becomes vacant if the Officer or Committeeman:-

- (a) dies;
- (b) becomes bankrupt or applies to take or takes advantage of any law related to bankrupt or insolvent debtors or compounds with his creditors, or makes any assignment of his estate for their benefit;
- (c) becomes of unsound mind;
- (d) resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Committee;
- (e) ceases to be resident in the State;
- (f) fails without leave granted by the Committee, to attend three (3) consecutive meetings of the Committee;
- (g) ceases to be a member of the Club; or

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- (h) fails to pay all arrears of subscription due by him within fourteen (14) days after he has received a notice in writing signed by the Treasurer stating that he has ceased to be a financial member of the Club.

26 Meetings of Committees and Sub-Committees

- (1) The Committee shall meet at least once in each month at such place and at such times as the Committee may determine.
- (2) Special meetings of the Committee may be convened by the Commodore, or any four of its members.
- (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.
- (4) Any six (6) members of the Committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Committee.
- (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.
- (6) At meetings of the Committee:-
 - (a) the Commodore, or in his absence the Vice-Commodore, or in the absence of both the Commodore and the Vice-Commodore, the Rear-Commodore; or
 - (b) if the Commodore, Vice-Commodore and Rear-Commodore are absent, such one of the remaining members of the Committee as may be chosen by the Members present shall preside.

All persons who guarantee loans to the Club, or any other action of the Club, shall have the right to attend and speak at any meeting of a Committee or sub-committees of the Club. Copies of all minutes of any meeting of the Club involving financial matters shall be forwarded to the Guarantors as soon as practical following that meeting. Guarantors shall be entitled to receive copies of all bank statements of the Club on request from time to time.

- (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.
- (8) Each Member present at a meeting of the Committee or of any Sub-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.
- (9) Written notice of each Committee meeting shall be served on each member of the Committee by delivering it to him at a reasonable time before the meeting or by sending it by post in a pre-paid letter addressed to him at his usual or last known place of abode in time to reach him in due course of post before the date of the meeting.

27 Disclosure of Interest in Contracts

- (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 interest at the first meeting of the Committee at which the contract or arrangement is first taken into consideration, if his interest then exists, or, in any other case, at the first meeting of the Committee after the acquisition of his interest.
- (2) If a Member of the Committee becomes interested in a contract or arrangement after it is

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made or entered into he shall disclose his interest at the first meeting of the Committee after he became so interested.

- (3) No Member of the Committee shall vote as a Member of the Committee in respect of any contract or arrangement in which he is interested and if he does so vote his vote shall not be counted.

28 Sub-Committees and Executive Committee

- (1) The Committee may at any time appoint a Sub-committee from the Committee as it may think fit and shall prescribe the powers and functions thereof.
- (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.
- (3) Three (3) appointed Members of a Sub-committee constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Subcommittee.
- (4) The Public Officer of the Club is responsible for calling meetings of the Sub-committee.
- (5) Written notice of each Sub-committee meeting shall be served on each member of the Sub-committee by delivering it to him at a reasonable time before the meeting or by sending it by post in a pre-paid letter addressed to him at his usual or last place of abode in time to reach him in due course of post before the date of the meeting.
- (6) The Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear-Commodore and two other Ordinary Committeemen constitute an Executive Committee, which may issue instructions to the Returning Officer and the 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 there-on to the next meeting of the Committee.

29 Annual Subscription

- (1) Until otherwise fixed pursuant to sub-rule (2) of this rule, the Annual Subscription payable by Members shall be such sum or sums as determined by the Annual General Meeting, General Meeting or Special General Meeting.
- (2) The amount of the Annual Subscription may be altered from time to time by the Members by special resolution.
- (3) The Membership year shall be from the 1st day of July to the 30th day of June each year.
- (4) Any person becoming a new member after the first day of October shall pay a pro-rata subscription as calculated by the Treasurer.
- (5) The Annual Subscription of a member not paid by the 30th day of September will result in the membership lapsing, but does not exempt the member from Clause 6 (4).
- (6) A voting member retains the non voting rights of a voting member from the 1st day of July until the annual subscription is paid in full.

30 Financial Year

- (1) The financial year of the Club is the period beginning on 1st April in each year and ending on the 31st March next following.

31 Notices

- (1) A notice may be served by or on behalf of the Club upon any Member either personally or

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by sending it through the post in a pre-paid letter addressed to the Member at his usual or last-known place of abode.

32 Expulsion of Members

- (1) Subject to this rule, the Committee may expel a Member from the Club if, in the opinion of the Committee, the Member has been guilty of conduct detrimental to the interests of the Club.
- (2) The expulsion of a Member pursuant to sub-rule (1) of this rule does not take effect:-
 - (a) until the expiration of fourteen (14) days after the service on the Member of a notice under sub-rule of this rule; or
 - (b) if the Member exercised his right of appeal under this rule, until the conclusion of the Special General Meeting convened to hear the appeal, whichever is the later date.
- (3) Where the Committee expels a Member from the Club the Secretary of the Club shall, without undue delay, cause 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 so desires he may, within fourteen (14) days after the service of the notice on him, appeal against the expulsion as provided in this rule.
- (4) A Member on whom a notice under sub-rule (3) of this rule is served may appeal against the expulsion to a Special General Meeting by delivering or sending by post to the Secretary of the Club within fourteen (14) days after the service of that notice, a requisition in writing demanding the convening of such a meeting for the purposes of hearing his appeal.
- (5) Upon receipt of a requisition under sub-rule (4) of this rule, the Returning Officer shall forthwith notify the Committee of its receipt and the Committee shall thereupon cause a Special General Meeting of Members to be held within twenty-one (21) days after the date on which the requisition is received by the Returning Officer.
- (6) At a Special General Meeting convened for the purposes of this rule:-
 - (a) no business other than the question of the expulsion shall 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 whether the expulsion should be lifted or confirmed.
- (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 Membership of the Club. 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.

33 Disputes

- (1) Subject to this rule, a dispute between a Member of the Club, in his capacity as a Member, and the Club shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1892.
- (2) Nothing in this rule affects the operation or effect of Rule 22.

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34 Seal of Club

- (1) 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".

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GENERAL BY-LAWS

(November 2002)

1. 1.1 The Club Burgee shall be a white pennant with maroon cross.
- 1.2. The Commodore's Flag shall be the Club Burgee swallow tailed.
- 1.3. The Vice-Commodore's Flag shall be the Club Burgee swallow tailed with a maroon ball in the upper head quarter and the Rear Commodore's shall be a similar flag with two red balls, one in the left hand top and one in the left hand bottom quarter placed vertically.
- 1.4. The Club Flag shall be the National Flag of the Commonwealth of Australia.
2. 2.1 The Club shall be affiliated with the Yachting Tasmania.
3. 3.1 Any Member may resign his membership at any time by notifying his resignation in writing to the Secretary, and upon receipt thereof by the Secretary shall cease to be a Member of the Club. No such resignation shall relieve any Member from payment of any subscription of other money due and payable by him at the time of such resignation.
4. 4.1 Senior Members and Family Members shall have the privilege of introducing a friend or friends to the Club, but such Member shall enter the name and address of such visitor together with his or her own in the Visitor's Book.
- 4.2. No Senior Member or Family Member shall introduce more than six (6) persons (visitors) at one time nor the same person more than three (3) times in one year, if residents of Devonport.
5. 5.1 No visitor shall be supplied with liquor on the Club premises unless in the company of a Club Member. The Club Member shall ensure that the Visitor's Book is signed.
- 5.2. No liquor shall be sold or supplied for consumption elsewhere but on the premises of the Club unless such liquor is removed from the premises by a Member purchasing same.
- 5.3. No payment of salary or emolument of any Officer of the club shall be made by way of Commission upon or allowance from the Club's receipts from the sale of liquor.
- 5.4. No person under the age of eighteen (18) shall be supplied with liquor by the Club or be in possession or control of liquor on the Club premises.
- 5.5. No person under the age of eighteen (18) shall be allowed to serve in any bar in the Club premises or to be employed by the Club as a waiter or messenger.
- 5.6. The Club may cater for any outside organizations on the Club premises.
- 5.7. The Club shall adopt the MODEL RULE of the State Licensing Commission and there is deemed to be included in the Rules of this Club the provisions set out in the guidelines in respect of Club Licences from time to time published by the Licensing Board in accordance with Section 17 of the Liquor and Accommodation Act 1990.
6. 6.1 The Committee shall have full authority from time to time to appoint a Secretary or such other Officers and Servants at such salary or remuneration and upon such terms and conditions as it may deem advisable and may dismiss or suspend for just cause such Secretary or other Officers or Servants. Non-members may be appointed under this Rule, and in such event, they shall be deemed Honorary Members during their respective terms of office. No Member in receipt of any salary or remuneration for his services to the Club shall be competent to vote at, or except when requested to report, take part in the proceedings of any meeting of any Committee or Sub-committee, nor shall he be reckoned in calculating a quorum at any such meeting. No payment of salary or emolument of any Officer or Servant of the Club shall be made by way of commission upon or allowance from the Club's receipts from the sale of liquor.

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7. 7.1 The Secretary shall keep full and accurate minutes (in books provided for that purpose) of the proceedings at all General Meetings and at all meetings of the Committee, and the Secretary shall keep attendance registers for such meetings.
8. 8.1 Every notice directed to be exhibited in the Clubhouse shall be signed by the Secretary and posted in some conspicuous place.
9. 9.1 The Secretary shall keep a Membership Register which shall record the history of each Member and shall keep posted on the Club Notice Board or foyer an up-to-date list of the names and addresses of Club Members.
10. 10.1 It shall be the responsibility of each Member to promptly advise the Secretary of any change of his postal address.
11. 11.1 Neither the Club nor any Official of the Club shall be responsible for any loss or damage to any article brought by Members or guests on to the Club premises or boats or for any loss or damage suffered by the Member or guest in or about the Club premises or in consequence of the use of the property of the Club or otherwise.
12. 12.1 No Member shall give or use the address or use the fact that he is a Member of the Club in any advertisement or enterprise (sporting or otherwise) or use the Club address for business purposes without consent of the Committee.
13. 13.1 The Clubhouse shall be open and ready for the reception of Members at such times as the Committee shall from time to time determine.
14. 14.1 No paper or placard, written or printed shall be posted in the Club without the sanction of the Committee.
15. 15.1 No Member shall take away from the Clubhouse or deface, tear or injure any newspaper, book, pamphlet, or other article, the property of the Club. Members injuring any article, the property of the Club, shall pay for the same at a price fixed by the Committee.
16. 16.1 The conduct of any Servant of the Club shall in no instance be made a subject of personal reprimand by any Member of the Club, but all complaints against Servants must be made to the Secretary.
17. 17.1 No Servant of the Club, unless authorised by the Secretary, shall be sent out of the Clubhouse upon errands, or for any other purpose, under any pretence whatever. No Member shall give any money or gratuity to any of the Servants of the Club. No Servant of the Club shall, except with the approval of the Committee, directly or indirectly receive any present, money, or gratuity from any Member, or from any tradesman or other person employed by the Club, under pain of immediate dismissal.
18. 18.1 All complaints or suggestions shall be made to the Secretary by letter. Such complaints and suggestions shall be laid before the Committee with as little delay as possible and an answer sent by the Secretary under their direction.
19. 19.1 Every yacht exclusively belonging to or on loan to, or on hire by a Member or Members shall be registered in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Secretary upon the prescribed payment, when a certificate will be issued, such register to state the name, rig, and dimensions of each vessel, with owner's name and distinguishing flag.
 - 19.2. Yacht owners shall furnish the Secretary with said particulars and in case of change of ownership or any alteration affecting the measurement of a yacht, the same shall be notified to the Secretary.
20. 20.1 Any yacht on the Register shall be entitled to fly the Club Burgee.

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21. 21.1 No vessel used for the purpose of trade or which shall at any time be left on hire to non-members unless prior special arrangements have been approved by the Management Committee, or which shall in the opinion of the Committee be otherwise unfit, shall be placed on the Club's Register and no vessel belonging to more than one owner shall be admitted into the Club unless each and every owner of such vessel be a member of the club.
22. 22.1 Yachts belonging to Members while on loan or hire to non-members shall not be entitled to the Club privileges or to fly the Club Ensign or Burgee and every Member so letting his yacht is required to remove all Club papers, books and flags.
23. 23.1 Any Member of the Club who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly interested in a Contract, or who is financially interested in the operations of any firm, company or business whatsoever with whom it is intended that the Club shall contract, deal or in any way carry on business with, shall as soon as practicable after the relevant facts have come to his or her knowledge, declare the nature of his or her interest at a meeting of the Committee of the Club provided that the requirements thereof shall not apply in any case where the interest of a Member consists only of being a Member or Creditor of a Company which is interested in a contract or proposed contract or business arrangement with the Club if the interest of that Member may properly be regarded as not being a material interest.
24. 24.1 Club Boat Hire:-
The Executive may hire Club boats to Members of Family Members upon the payment of a fee and bond to be set by the Committee from time to time.
25. 25.1 The dress in the Bar and Social Room shall be as follows: -
Minimum: Long trousers or shorts, shirt and appropriate footwear, except that Members attired in work clothes and who do not intend to remain in the Club for long periods will be permitted until 7.00 p.m. at the discretion of the House Committee.
Wet Sailing clothes are not permitted.
- 25.2. From 7.00 p.m. onwards suitable dress will be worn.
26. 26.1 The various sections of the Clubhouse shall be open for the convenience of Members at such hours, as the Committee shall from time to time direct.
27. 27.1 Use of the car park shall be open to Members and guests in accordance with the following:-
(i) Parking shall be done in an orderly fashion.
(ii) No responsibility for damage to vehicles shall be accepted by the Club.
(iii) Trailers and other gear shall not be left on the premises overnight without permission of a Flag Officer.
(iv) Cars and heavy trailers will not be permitted on grassed areas.
(v) Parking shall not be permitted west of the .car parking area, unless authorised by a Flag Officer.
28. 28.1 Members and guests shall pay due regard to the neatness and cleanliness of the Club premises at all times.
Rubbish shall be deposited in litterbins provided for the purpose.
Any gear or clothing left lying about may be collected and placed in the "Slop Chest" after dry cleaning if necessary and may be redeemed at publicised intervals on the payment of the cleaning costs plus a fee for each article.
Items not claimed after 3 months shall become the property of the Club and sold by

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- auction, the proceeds going to Club funds.
29. 29.1 Boats shall be located for rigging and unrigging in an orderly manner with due regard to economy of space.
- 29.2. Boats may be rigged and unrigged on light-weight trailers on grassed areas.
- 29.3. Washing of boats on grassed areas may be restricted at the discretion of the Committee.
30. 30.1 The Committee may allot the Social Room and Kitchen of the Clubhouse for use by Members for private functions under such terms and conditions as it may determine. The Bar and other sections of the Club shall be open to all Members during any such functions.
31. 31.1 The Junior Room shall be for use of Junior Members or other Members at the Committee's discretion.
- 31.2. The Junior Committee shall be responsible to the Committee for proper maintenance and cleanliness of Junior facilities and shall roster a duty crew each week for this purpose.
- 31.3. No intoxicating liquor shall be taken into the Junior Room.
- 31.4. No writing or pictures or placards shall be placed on the walls without the sanction of the Committee.
32. 32.1 Boat storage facilities may be available to any Member for an annual fee determined by the Committee.
- 32.2. Availability shall depend on space remaining after use for storage of Club patrol boats, training dinghies, buoys, anchors and equipment.
- 32.3. Members shall store boats and equipment neatly and on racks provided only. Trailers shall not be stored.
- 32.4. Hoses and other Club equipment must be replaced in boat storage area after use.
- 32.5. The walls or any other part of boat storage area are not to be defaced by paint, placards, pictures, etc.
- 32.6. Intoxicating liquor must not be taken into the boat storage area.
- 32.7. The storage area will be closed between the hours of 8.00 p.m. and 6.00 a.m. unless prior approval is obtained from the Secretary to use same during those prohibited hours.
- 32.8. All occupants are to ensure the observance of these By-laws as failure to do so could lead to cancellation of occupancy by the offenders.
- 32.9. Storage may be cancelled in the case of boats not regularly racing and for repeated untidiness subject to fourteen (14) days' written notice.
- 32.10. Duty crew rostered weekly is to be responsible for cleanliness of boat storage area.
33. 33.1 No collection and/or raffles shall be made with out the approval of the Committee.
34. 34.1 No Member shall take away from the Clubhouse under any pretence whatsoever, any newspaper, pamphlets, books or any property of the Club without the sanction or the Committee.
35. 35.1 No Member shall on any account bring a dog or other pet into the Clubhouse, with the exception of seeing-eye dogs.
36. 36.1 Members shall make a written application on a prescribed form, naming the proposed candidate and a seconder, and setting out any relevant information the Committee may require.
37. 37.1 Car Stickers depicting the Club Burgee are available to Members for use on their cars and trailer craft. When used in a car the sticker is to be placed in the left hand corner of the

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rear window and when placed in trailer craft in the left hand corner of the windscreen. When disposing of his car or trailer craft the Member is to remove the sticker and return the pieces to the Secretary, prior to the issue of a replacement.

- 38. 38.1 It is the duty of every Member to remember Club Security - that is - if unlocking, or being last to leave the premises, make sure all doors, windows or locks are secured.
- 39. 39.1 Copies of Constitution will be available to Members at printing cost.

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MARINA BY-LAWS

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1. The Marina is available for permanent mooring or casual mooring by Club Members or visitors or other users as determined by the Committee. The Marina is not available for any use including the above mentioned use for a period of fourteen (14) days each year at the discretion of the club. Where alternative berthing or moorings for local vessels are not available, such vessels may be slipped at the Mersey Yacht Club at no charge to the owner subject to observance of the Slipping By-Laws during the 14 day period.
2. The Marina is for private use only by Club members. The usage of the Marina for any commercial purpose by Club members or any other person is prohibited.
3. The day to day management of the Marina shall be delegated by the Club to the Boat Facilities Committee (the committee). The committee shall act with the authority of the Club and its directions shall be observed by members as if made by the Club. The Club may appoint a Marina Manager.
4. Only vessels approved by the Club in seaworthy condition and under their own power will be admitted to the Marina (or any part of the area or waters controlled by the Club). All vessels must be insured, registered, identified, marked, equipped and maintained as required by law and safe practice with particular attention to adequate fire fighting equipment.
5. When a vessel enters the Marina precincts or berths at the Marina, it shall immediately come under the jurisdiction of the Club and these By-Laws. Any berth allocated to the Licensee may be changed at the discretion of the Club.
6. It shall be the responsibility of the club member or members who are the owners of the vessel (the Licensee) to provide their own mooring, mooring lines and warps and to moor the vessel in a proper and seamanlike and the Club reserves the right to renew, replace or make good any mooring line or warps considered inadequate at the Licensee's expense.
7. The Marina shall be kept clear of all gear including dinghies and the Licensee shall promptly remove or cause to be removed from the Marina all waste and rubbish brought upon or generated within the vessel or marina.
8. It shall be the responsibility of the Licensee to keep the vessel in such condition that it does not become unsightly or reflect unfavourably upon the reputation and appearance of the Club, its premises, the facility or the Marina. Major repairs, painting and fitting out of or to the vessel at the Marina is prohibited unless by prior authority of the Club.
9. The electrical power supply to the Marina is of limited capacity. It is intended for casual intermittent use e.g. charging of batteries and operating of power tools on a casual basis. Unattended electrical power cords are not within the intention of the provision of this power supply and accordingly may be switched off if proper arrangements are not in place with the user of the power and the Club. Those members who wish to utilise power outside of these limitations must make application to the Club where upon the power supply will be assessed and if within the limitations of the system will be approved. Marina berth holders who are utilising approval continual power supplies will be charged for that power at a rate to be determined by the Club.
10. Berthing charges will be determined from time to time by the Committee. Permanent berths will be allocated when available upon the payment of an annual rental paid in advance by the first day of February in each year. There will be no trafficking in berths. Permanent users will be issued with a gate key upon payment of a deposit as determined by the Club.
11. Permanent users have the exclusive right to use the berth as allocated. Mooring alongside or rafting on these berths is not permitted. Casual users who have booked a berth shall have the same rights as permanent users for the period of the booking provided payment is made in advance.

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12. The Club reserves the right to change or alter any berthing arrangement at any time deemed necessary and to instruct vessel owners/operators in the method of mooring the vessel at the Marina. The user of a berth may loan the berth to another member only with the approval of the Club. If vessels are casually berthed without the owners and or the Club's permission the Club may impose a fine and charge berthing at the casual rate.
13. Owners and operators of any vessel using the Marina and operating within its precincts are to be responsible for the handling, mooring and manoeuvring of the vessel. Vessels are not to be moved at a speed exceeding three (3) knots (speed across the ground). Manoeuvring vessels will be responsible for all damage caused by collision with other vessels or with the Marina structure.
14. The Marina is private Club property and any unauthorised persons are not permitted to use the Marina.
15. Fishing, diving and/or swimming are prohibited excepting for cleaning of hulls.
16. There will be no living upon vessels moored at a berth in the Marina unless specific permission has been granted by the Club. Permission will only be granted upon application and upon circumstances where all persons living on the vessel are members of the Club.
17. Refuelling may only be carried out using hand held and carried decanting containers of a suitable standard and quality approved for the conveyance of fuels. Large quantity refuelling using mechanical pumps or bunkering from Oil Company vehicles is prohibited within the Club precincts.
18. Undue noise or disorderly conduct is prohibited.
19. Toilets, oil, chemicals, spirits, inflammable and oily bilges shall not be discharged into the Marina waters.
20. Young children shall be accompanied by an adult at all times.
21. No dogs allowed on the marina except for owners' dogs, which must be kept on a leash.
22. No vessel will be advertised or offered for sale from the marina area without the prior written agreement of the Club.
23. Upon the notification by the Licensee that the berth shall be vacated for a period of time and that period of time has been paid for by the licensee, the Club may allocate such vacant berth to another licensee or prospective licensee. In such circumstances the Club may in its absolute discretion allow a remission in respect of one half of the licence fee otherwise payable with respect to a berth pro rata whilst the berth is being used in such a manner by another licensee or prospective licensee.
24. There will be no dealing in berths by the Licensee or any other person.

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PONTOON BY-LAWS

1. The Pontoon will be for the use of loading and unloading vessels belonging to or under charter to Club Members and/or visiting vessels, whilst the owner, charterer or owner's representative is in attendance.
2. Such vessels and visiting vessels where permission is given by a Flag Officer may lie alongside for short periods of time but at all periods of time the owner, charterer or the owner's representative must be in attendance.
3. With the permission of a Flag Officer the above mentioned categories of vessels may lie alongside for a short period of time for repairs.
4. Motor vehicles must not be parked on the grass verge adjacent to the Pontoon area whilst vessels are being loaded or unloaded.
5. Rafting is permitted alongside vessels whilst on the Pontoon unless considered unsafe by a Flag Officer.
6. Committee, Flag Officers or the Slipway Committee may direct as to the action of users of the Pontoon as considered reasonable from time to time.
7. In event of disregarding the directions of a Flag Officer, Committee may impose a fine of up to \$100.00.

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SLIPWAY BY-LAWS

1. The slipping and launching of vessels and the movement and storage of vessels in the yard shall be under the control of the Slipmaster or in his absence a Duty Officer appointed by Committee. The Slipmaster and such Duty Officer or Officers as appointed by Committee shall constitute the Slipway Committee.
2. Only vessels registered with the Club and authorised by a Member of the Slipway Committee shall be permitted to use the Club Slipway. The owner of such vessel or his representative shall be required to indemnify the Trustees of the Club against loss or damage whilst the boat is on the Slipway or in the yard and also have satisfied the Committee that such vessel is covered by an adequate policy of third party insurance. Committee may grant visiting vessels permission to use the Slipway.
3. No person other than those authorised by the Slipway Committee shall operate the winch and they shall ensure that the wire is tracking evenly on the winch drum at all times.
4. Owners wishing to use the Club Slipway shall give reasonable notice to the Slipway Committee and complete whatever written notice is required by the Slipway Committee setting out the date and duration of the slipping except in the case of an emergency or with the express permission of a Member of the Slipway Committee.
5. All vessels shall be scrubbed off on the haul out area but the Slipmaster or in his absence the Duty Officer shall have the right to order otherwise. All rubbish is to be cleared away and bilges may only be drained in the haul out area.
6. All vessels shall be level when hauled out and whilst in the storage area. They shall be secured in the cradle to the satisfaction of the Slipmaster or in his absence the Duty Officer and halyards shall be tied clear of masts.
7. Vessels shall not be slipped with dinghies on davits. In the case of vessels with fixed davits these shall be unshipped or swung inboard where possible.
8. No work involving major construction or alterations to a vessel shall be carried out in the Slipyard without prior approval of the Slipway Committee.
9. The use of dry sandblasting equipment shall not be permitted.
10. The use of spray guns and wet sandblasting equipment is permitted only in the area directed by the Slipmaster or Duty Officer and such use shall only be permitted when weather conditions are such that sprays, etc., are not carried to the vicinity of other vessels in the yard and vehicles in the carparks. The work being carried out shall be adequately screened off and safety apparel including glasses or goggles must be worn by the operator/operators.
11. The use of power points is restricted to repair and maintenance only. Unattended vessels will be disconnected unless authorised by the Slipmaster or Duty Officer.
12. No further cradles shall be placed in the yard without approval. Plans for alterations of any existing cradle shall be submitted for approval by the Slipway Committee.
13. All cradles shall be kept maintained to the specifications determined by the Slipway Committee and they shall be kept mobile to the satisfaction of the Slipway Committee. Sub-standard cradles shall be removed at the owner's expense. The Slipmaster or Duty Officer has the right to refuse to slip a vessel on a cradle he deems unsafe.
14. The slipping fee and lay-day charge and charge for the use of Club cradle shall be determined by the Committee from time to time.
15. The slipping rights of any vessel sold will cease until application from the new owner has been approved by the Slipway Committee.
16. All Members using the Club Slipway facilities shall ensure the security of the Club equipment at all times.
17. All equipment shall be properly used as directed by the Slipmaster or Duty Officer and all equipment such as hoses, brooms, etc., shall be stored neatly after use.

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18. Notwithstanding anything in these By-Laws, the Committee reserves the right to direct any vessel to vacate the Slip.
19. Only vessels of a dead weight of less than twelve (12) tonnes and less than twelve (12) metres in length shall be permitted to use the Slipway.
20. No person shall be permitted to live on board any vessel whilst such vessel is in the Slipyard unless authorised by the Committee.
21. If there are no storage bays available then the vessel cannot be slipped - even for cleaning on the same tide.
22. After hauling out and cleaning off the owner/operator and his crew shall be responsible for moving the vessel immediately to its allocated storage area.
23. All cradles shall be numbered and registered with the Secretary for identification. The Register shall be placed in an accessible location to allow boat owners/operators to make contact with the cradle owners regarding usage. Failure to number and register cradles will result in its removal from the Slipyard.
24. Cradle owners are to make their cradles available to other boat owners/operators upon request unless they can show a need to use same themselves at that particular time or identify the unsuitability of that boat for the cradle in question. If cradle owners fail to allow usage of their cradle for other reasons the Slipway Committee will determine the allocation. Failure to adhere to this will result in the removal of that cradle from the Slipyard.
25. Cradle owners are not permitted to charge a fee to boat owners for use of their cradle but can expect the user to assist in the reasonable maintenance of the cradle.
26. The Slipway Committee may direct as to the action of users of the Slipway as considered reasonable from time to time.
27. Use of the Club cradles is limited to two (2) weeks unless authorised by the Committee.