

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN RADIO SOARERS CLUB (INC.)
CONSTITUTION

Incorporated 30th April 1980 and as amended 30th November 2008 and 8th March 2009

1. NAME

The Club shall be called the "WESTERN AUSTRALIAN RADIO SOARERS CLUB INC."

2. OBJECTS

The objects of the Club shall be to foster and promote radio controlled glider and model aircraft flying in the State of Western Australia.

3. POWERS

The Club shall have the power to do all things as are necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects of the Club.

4. NON-PROFIT

The income and property of the Club applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Club. No portion of the income or property shall be paid, transferred or distributed directly or indirectly to the members of the Club, provided nothing shall prevent the payment in good faith of remuneration to any officer or employee of the Club or to any person other than a member, in return for services rendered to the Club.

5. MEMBERSHIP

Ordinary membership is open to all fliers of radio controlled model gliders in the State of Western Australia. Senior membership shall be all persons Eighteen (18) years of age and over. Junior membership shall be all persons under Eighteen (18) years of age. Honorary or Life membership will be subject to a recommendation duly considered by and passed at an Annual General Meeting.

6. SUBSCRIPTIONS

Membership subscription fees shall be that amount as decided at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting called for that purpose.

7. OFFICERS and COMMITTEE

The Club shall be governed by an Executive Committee consisting of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Contest Director and Property Officer.

Five (5) Office Bearers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and will hold office for one year. All Office Bearers must have been Financial Senior Club Members for at least twelve (12) months.

8. MEETINGS

(a) Club members may be called to four (4) Ordinary Meetings per year and the Annual General Meeting.

(b) An Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held in August of each year and may be held on the same day as one of the Ordinary Meetings.

At each Annual General Meeting of the Club the order of business shall be:

(i) The reading and confirmation of the minutes of the preceding Annual General Meeting.

(ii) The presentation of Reports.

(iii) Election of Office Bearers.

(iv) Election of an Auditor.

(v) Fixing of the Annual Fees and Committee Expenditure Limits.

(vi) Consideration of any other business.

(c) Executive Committee Meetings may be called at any time by a member of that Committee.

(d) For an Executive Meeting three (3) members shall constitute a quorum. For all other Meetings a quorum shall be ten (10) members.

(e) Any five (5) members may by requisition in writing under their hands requisition a Special General Meeting. The objects of such a Meeting shall be sent to the Secretary who shall within twenty eight (28) days summons all members to attend the Special General Meeting.

9. AUDIT

The Accounts of the Club will be submitted to the Annual General Meeting and will contain a certificate indicating that they have been audited by the Auditor duly appointed at the preceding Annual General Meeting.

10. SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION OF MEMBERS OF CLUB

(1) If the Committee considers that a member should be suspended or expelled from membership of the

Club because his or her conduct is detrimental to the interests of the Club, the Committee must communicate, either orally or in writing, to the member-

(a) notice of the proposed suspension or expulsion and of the time, date and place of the Committee meeting at which the question of that suspension or expulsion will be decided; and

(b) particulars of that conduct, not less than 30 days before the date of the Committee meeting referred to in paragraph (a).

(2) At the Committee meeting referred to in a notice communicated under sub-rule (1), the Committee may, having afforded the member concerned a reasonable opportunity to be heard by, or to make representations in writing to, the Committee, suspend or expel or decline to suspend or expel that member from membership of the Club and must, forthwith after deciding whether or not to suspend or expel that member, communicate that decision in writing to that member.

(3) Subject to sub-rule (5), a member has his or her membership suspended or ceases to be a member 14 days after the day on which the decision to suspend or expel a member is communicated to him or her under sub-rule (2).

(4) A member who is suspended or expelled under sub-rule (2) must, if he or she wishes to appeal against that suspension or expulsion, give notice to the Secretary of his or her intention to do so within the period of 14 days referred to in sub-rule (3).

(5) When notice is given under sub-rule (4)-

(a) the Club in a general meeting, must either confirm or set aside the decision of the Committee to suspend or expel the member, after having afforded the member who gave that notice a reasonable opportunity to be heard by, or to make representations in writing to, the Association in the general meeting; and

(b) the member who gave that notice is not suspended or does not cease to be a member unless and until the decision of the Committee to suspend or expel him or her is confirmed under this sub-rule.

11. ALTERATION

Rule changes may only be effected at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting called for that purpose.

A notice of intended changes must be circulated to all members at least two (2) clear calendar months preceding any such meeting.

12. COMMON SEAL

The Common Seal of the Club engraved with the name of the Club shall be kept in the care of the President. The Seal shall not be used or affixed to any deed or document except pursuant to a resolution of the Committee and in the presence of the President and two (2) members of the Committee both of whom shall subscribe their names as witnesses.

13. NEWSLETTER

Communication within the Club shall be by a monthly newsletter.

It must contain the minutes of the previous Executive Committee Meeting(s) and details of all receipts and payments.

It should also contain details of Club contests, contest winners, names and addresses of Financial Members and information likely to be of interest to members.

Arrangements for the publication of the newsletter is the responsibility of the Executive Committee.

14. FINANCE

All monies received will be lodged in an interest bearing account with a recognized Financial Institution and cheques for payment of Club liabilities will be drawn against that account on the signature of any two members of the Executive Committee, one of whom must be either the President, Secretary or Treasurer.

Any proposal to spend Club funds in excess of the Committee Expenditure Limit as set at the preceding Annual General Meeting must be published in the Newsletter.

Members will be given fourteen (14) days in which to lodge a written objection.

If any objection is lodged the proposal will be deferred to a meeting of members.

15. DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY ON WINDING UP OF CLUB

If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club there remains after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same must not be paid to or distributed among the members, or former members. The surplus property must be given or transferred to another association incorporated under the Act which has similar objects and which is not carried out for the purposes of profit or gain to its individual members, and which association shall be determined by resolution of the members.