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OBJECTS AND PURPOSES OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. The name of the Association shall be NORTHERN TERRITORY FOOTBALL LEAGUE UMPIRES ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (herein after called “the ASSOCIATION”).
2. The objects of the ASSOCIATION shall be:
 - (a) to foster and encourage
 - (i) the game of football; and
 - (ii) all aspects of umpiring; and
 - (iii) to promote social harmony amongst its members.
3. In addition to the basic objects of the ASSOCIATION the objects and purposes of the ASSOCIATION shall be deemed to include:
 - (a) the purchase, taking on lease or in exchange, and the hiring or otherwise acquiring of any real or personal property that may be deemed necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (b) the buying, selling, and supplying of, and dealing in, goods of all kinds;
 - (c) the construction, maintenance, and alteration of building or works necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (d) the accepting of any gift, whether subject to a special trust or not, for any one or more of the objects or purposes of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (e) the taking of such steps from time to time as the committee or the members in general meeting may deem expedient for the purposes of procuring contributions to the funds of the ASSOCIATION, whether by way of donation, subscription, or otherwise;
 - (f) the printing and publishing of such newspapers, periodicals, books, leaflets, or other documents as the members in general meeting may think desirable for the promotion of the objects and purposes of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (g) the borrowing and raising of money in such manner and on such terms as the committee may think fit or as may be approved or directed by resolution passed at a general meeting; and securing the repayment of money so raised or borrowed or the payment of a debt or liability of the ASSOCIATION by giving mortgages, charges or securities upon or over all or any of the seal or personal property of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (h) subject to the provisions of the Trustees Act, the investment of any moneys of the ASSOCIATION not immediately required for any of its objects or purposes in such a manner as the committees may from time to time determine;
 - (i) the making of gifts, subscriptions, or donations to any of the funds, authorities, or institutions to which paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of

section 78 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936, as amended, of the Commonwealth relates;

- (j) the employment of persons on full or part-time basis to assist the objects or purposes of the ASSOCIATION;
- (k) the establishment and support or aiding in the establishment or support, of any other association formed for any of the basic objects of the ASSOCIATION;
- (l) the doing of all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the basic objects of the ASSOCIATION or of any of the objects and purposes specified in the foregoing provisions of this sub-rule.

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION

4 (1) In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears,

“General Meeting” means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with this constitution.

“Ordinary committeemen” means a member of the committee to whom paragraph (b) of sub-rule (1) of rule 23 relates.

“Public Officer” shall include the office of Secretary.

(2) In these rules, expressions referring to writing shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as including reference to any method of reproducing words in a visible form.

Words or expressions contained in these rules shall be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the Interpretation Act as in force on the date on which these rules are adopted by the ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION

5(1) Membership of the ASSOCIATION shall be open to

- (a) Those persons aspiring to appointment as an umpire and who completes an application for membership with the ASSOCIATION which is accepted by the committee;
- (b) Those persons aspiring to assist the ASSOCIATION in a position deemed by the committee that meets the objects of the ASSOCIATION as set out in clause 2 (a) of the constitution and who completes an application for membership with the ASSOCIATION which is accepted by the committee;
- (c) Life members of the ASSOCIATION.

(2) Associate membership shall be open to

- (a) those persons interested in the objects of the ASSOCIATION and who complete an application for Associate Membership which is accepted by the committee.

- (3) Members of the Umpires Appointment Board and the Umpires Coaching Panel shall be Honorary Members of the ASSOCIATION.
- (4) Associate and Honorary Members shall have no power to move or second motions or to vote.
- (5) A nomination of a person for membership of the ASSOCIATION:-
 - (a) shall be in writing, signed by the nominee; and
 - (b) shall be lodged with the Secretary of the ASSOCIATION.
- (6) As soon as practicable after the receipt of a nomination, the Secretary shall refer the nomination to the committee.
- (7) Upon the 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 ASSOCIATION and, upon the nominee's undertaking to pay the first years subscription, shall enter the nominees name in a register of members to be kept by the Secretary, whereupon the nominee becomes a member of the ASSOCIATION.
- (8) A member of the ASSOCIATION may, at any time, resign from the ASSOCIATION by delivering or sending by post to the Secretary a written notice of resignation.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

5A(a) Life Membership may be conferred on any member who has rendered outstanding service to the ASSOCIATION and having served on the committee for five seasons or having officiated over ten seasons. Nominations for Life Membership must be: -

- (i) made in writing signed by two (2) financial members of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (ii) lodged with the Secretary seven (7) days prior to the Annual general Meeting or twenty one (21) days prior to the Special General Meeting;
 - (iii) duly elected by a majority vote at an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting;
 - (iv) the Special General Meeting to elect Life Members can only be held during the week preceding the NTFL League Semi - finals.
- (b) Life Members shall not pay any membership fee, but are afforded the opportunity of attending social functions on invitation, financially supporting any expense nominated by the committee. Life Members shall be presented with membership certificates, and their names recorded with the ASSOCIATION.

INCOME AND PROPERTY OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 6(1) The ASSOCIATION shall not: -
- (a) appoint a person who is a member of the committee to any office of the ASSOCIATION to which there payable any remuneration by way of salary, fees, or allowances; or
 - (b) pay to any such person any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth (other than the payment of out-of-pocket expenses).

- (2) Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this rule prevents the payment in good faith to a servant or member of the ASSOCIATION of: -
- (a) remuneration in return for services actually rendered to the ASSOCIATION by the servant or member or for goods supplied to the ASSOCIATION by the servant or member in the ordinary course of business;
 - (b) interest at current bank overdraft rate on money lent;
 - (c) a reasonable and proper sum by way of rent for premises let to the ASSOCIATION by the servant or member; or
 - (d) an amount by way of Honorarium to a member of the committee.

ACCOUNTS OF RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, ETC.

- 7 (1) True accounts shall be kept -
- (a) of all sums of money received and expended by the ASSOCIATION and the manner in respect of which the receipt or expenditure takes place; and
 - (b) of the property, credits and liabilities of the ASSOCIATION and subject to any reasonable restrictions to time and manner of inspecting them that may be imposed by the ASSOCIATION for the time being, these accounts shall be open to the inspection of the members of the ASSOCIATION.
- (2) The Treasurer of the ASSOCIATION shall faithfully keep all general records, accounting books, and records of receipts and expenditure connected with the operations and business of the ASSOCIATION 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 ASSOCIATION'S office or at such other place as the committee may decide.

BANKING AND FINANCE

- 8 (1) The Treasurer of the ASSOCIATION shall, on behalf of the ASSOCIATION, receive all moneys paid to the ASSOCIATION and forthwith after the receipt thereof issue official receipts therefor.
- (2) The committee shall cause to be opened with such bank or financial institution as the committee selects, banking accounts in the name of the ASSOCIATION 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 ASSOCIATION'S bank or bankers for the time being the cheque 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 the surrender thereof to the ASSOCIATION.
- (4) Except with the authority of the committee, no payment of a sum exceeding twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be made from the funds of the ASSOCIATION otherwise than

by cheque drawn on the ASSOCIATION'S bank account. 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 ASSOCIATION'S accounts 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 any two of the following: President, Secretary or Treasurer.

AUDITOR

- 9 (1) At each Annual General Meeting of the ASSOCIATION the members present shall appoint a person who is not a member of the ASSOCIATION for the then current financial year of the ASSOCIATION.
- (2) If an appointment is not made at an Annual General Meeting, the committee shall appoint an Auditor of the ASSOCIATION for the then current financial year of the ASSOCIATION.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

- 10 (1) Once at least in each financial year of the ASSOCIATION, the accounts of the ASSOCIATION shall be examined by the Auditor.
- (2) The Auditor shall certify as the correctness of the accounts of the ASSOCIATION 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 ASSOCIATION according to the information at his disposal and the explanations given to him and as shown by the books of the ASSOCIATION; and
 - (c) whether the rules relating to the administration of the funds of the ASSOCIATION have been observed.
- (4) The Public Officer of the ASSOCIATION shall cause to be delivered to the Auditor a list of the accounts, books and records of the ASSOCIATION.
- (5) The Auditor: -
 - (a) has the right of access to the accounts, books, vouchers, and documents of the ASSOCIATION;
 - (b) may require from the servants of the ASSOCIATION such information and explanation 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 ASSOCIATION; and
 - (d) may, in relation to the accounts of the ASSOCIATION, examine any member of the committee or any servant of the ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 11 (1) The ASSOCIATION shall, in each year, hold an annual general meeting.
- (2) the annual general meeting shall be held on such day being not later than 30th June in each year.
- (3) The annual general meeting shall be in addition to any other general meeting that may be held in the same year.
- (4) the annual general meeting shall be specified as such in the notice convening it which shall be advertised in a daily Darwin newspaper not less than 14 days prior to the meeting.
- (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 meetings held since that meeting;
 - (b) to receive from the committee, auditors, and servants of the ASSOCIATION reports upon the transactions of the ASSOCIATION during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) to elect the officers of the ASSOCIATION, and the ordinary committeemen;
 - (d) to appoint the Auditor and determine his remuneration;
 - (e) to determine the remuneration of servants of the ASSOCIATION; and
 - (f) general business.
- (6) The annual general meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these rules.
- (7) A person shall be entitled to vote at the annual general meeting provided he was a financial member of the ASSOCIATION as at the 30th June of the preceding financial year.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- 12 (1) The committee may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a special general meeting of the ASSOCIATION. The committee may also determine that a postal vote may take place on matters affecting changes to the administration as governed by the Companies Act, Taxation Act or other Legislation applicable under the Incorporating Ordinance.
- (2) The committee shall, on the requisition in writing of not less than ten (10) members, convene a special general meeting of the ASSOCIATION.
- (3) A requisition for a special general meeting shall state the objects of the meeting and shall be signed by the requisitionists and lodged with the Secretary of the ASSOCIATION and may consist of several documents in the like form, each signed by one or more of the requisitionists.
- (4) The special general meeting shall be specified as such in the notice convening it which shall be advertised in a daily Darwin newspaper not less than 14 days prior to the meeting.
- (5) If the committee does not cause a special general meeting to be held within twenty one (21) days from the date a requisition therefor has been lodged, the requisitionists,

or any of them may convene the meeting; but any meeting so convened shall not be held after two (2) months from the date of the requisition.

- (6) 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 refunded by the ASSOCIATION to the persons incurring them.

GENERAL MEETINGS

13 General meetings shall be held at least once a month in football season or on such other times as arranged.

BUSINESS AND QUORUM AT GENERAL MEETINGS

14 (1) No items 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.

(2) 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.

(3) If within thirty (30) minutes after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved; any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time (unless another place is specified at the time of the adjournment) at the same place, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within thirty minutes after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.

PRESIDENT TO PRESIDE AT GENERAL MEETINGS

15 (1) The President, or in his absence, the Vice President, or in the absence of both the President and the Vice President, the Secretary shall preside as Chairman at every general meeting of the ASSOCIATION.

(2) If the President, Vice Presidents and Secretary are absent from the general meeting, the members present shall elect one of their number to preside as Chairman thereat.

ADJOURNMENT OF GENERAL MEETINGS

16 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 which the adjournment took place.

DETERMINATION OF QUESTIONS ARISING AT GENERAL MEETINGS

17 A question arising at a general meeting of the ASSOCIATION 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, an entry to that effect in the minute book at the ASSOCIATION is evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, that resolution.

VOTES

18 (1) Upon any question arising at a general meeting of the ASSOCIATION, a member has one vote only.

(2) All votes shall be given personally.

(3) In the case of an equality of voting on a question, the Chairman of the meeting shall not have a second or casting vote.

(4) Unless this Constitution requires otherwise, a poll shall require a simple majority to be deemed to have been passed.

TAKING OF POLL

19 If, at a meeting, a poll on any question is demanded, it shall be taken at that meeting in such a 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.

WHEN POLL TO BE TAKEN

20 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.

AFFAIRS OF ASSOCIATION TO BE MANAGED BY A COMMITTEE

21 (1) The affairs of the ASSOCIATION shall be managed by a committee of management constituted as approved in rule 23.

(2) The committee: -

- (a) Shall control and manage the business and affairs of the ASSOCIATION;
- (b) may, subject to these rules, exercise all such powers and functions as may be exercised by the ASSOCIATION other than those powers and functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by general meeting of members of the ASSOCIATION; and
- (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 ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

22 (1) The officers of the ASSOCIATION shall be: -

- (a) a President;
 - (b) a Vice President;
 - (c) a Treasurer;
 - (d) a Secretary / Public Officer.
- (2) The provision of sub-rules (3) and (4) of rule 24, so far as they are applicable and with the necessary modification, apply to and in relation to the election of persons to any of the offices mentioned in sub-rule (1) of this rule.
- (3) Each Officer of the ASSOCIATION shall hold office until the annual general meeting next after the date of his election.
- (4) No person shall hold the position of President of the ASSOCIATION for a period of more than two years in four years.
- (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 up to and including the conclusion of the annual general meeting next following the date of his appointment.

CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE

23 (1) The committee shall consist of: -

- (a) the officers of the ASSOCIATION; and
 - (b) three other elected members, all of whom shall be elected at the annual general meeting of the ASSOCIATION in each year.
- (2) Each ordinary committeeman shall, subject to these rules, hold office until the annual general meeting next after the date of his election, but is 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 ASSOCIATION 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.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE

24 (1) Nominations of candidates for election as officers of the ASSOCIATION or as ordinary committeemen shall: -

- (a) be called for in the advertisement of the notice convening the annual general meeting;
- (b) be made in writing signed by two (2) members of the ASSOCIATION and be accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of nomination); and

- (c) be lodged with the Secretary seven (7) days prior to the annual general meeting.

If insufficient nominations are received within that time, then written nominations shall be called for at the annual general meeting.

- (2) If after all nominations have been received the number of nominations is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the person nominated shall be deemed to be elected.
- (3) If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot shall be held.
- (4) The ballot for the election of officers and ordinary committeemen shall be conducted at the annual general meeting in such usual and proper manner as the committee may direct.

VACATION OF OFFICE

25 For the purpose of these rules, the office of an officer of the ASSOCIATION 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 relating to bankrupt or insolvent debtors or compounds with his creditors;
- (c) becomes of unsound mind;
- (d) resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the committee;
- (e) ceases to be a resident in the Northern Territory;
- (f) fails, without leave granted by the committee, to attend three consecutive meetings of the committee;
- (g) ceases to be a member of the ASSOCIATION; or
- (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 public Officer stating that he has ceased to be a financial member of the ASSOCIATION.

MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE SUB-COMMITTEE

26 (1) The committee shall meet at least once a month during the Northern Territory Football League season and at other times as the committee may determine.

- (2) Special meetings of the committee may be convened by the President, or any four 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.
- (4) Any four 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 be

adjourned to the same place 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) If the President and the Vice President are absent, one of the remaining members of the committee as may be chosen by the members to preside as chairman.

(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 appointed by the committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote and, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding shall not have a second or casting vote.

(9) Unless this Constitution requires otherwise, a poll shall require a simple majority to be deemed to have been passed.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACTS, ETC

27 (1) A member of the committee who is interested in any contract or arrangement made or proposed to be made with the ASSOCIATION shall disclose his interest at the first meeting of the committee at which the contract or arrangements 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 made or entered into he shall disclose his interest at the first meeting of the committee after he becomes 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.

SUB-COMMITTEES

28 (1) The committee may from time to time appoint a sub-committee from the committee as it thinks fit and shall prescribe the powers and function thereof.

(2) The committee may co-opt as members of a sub-committee such persons as it thinks fit, whether or not those persons are members of the ASSOCIATION but a person not a member of the ASSOCIATION is not entitled to vote.

(3) Three appointed members of a sub-committee constitute a quorum at a meeting of the sub-committee.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 29 (1) The annual subscription payable by members shall be fixed at the first general meeting following the annual general meeting.
- (2) The annual subscription of a member is due and payable on a date within the financial year of the ASSOCIATION as the committee shall decide.

FINANCIAL YEAR

30 The financial year of the ASSOCIATION is the period beginning on the 1st May in each year and ending on the 30th April next following.

NOTICES

31 A notice may be served by or on behalf of the ASSOCIATION upon any member either personally or by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter addressed to the member at his usual or last known place of abode.

EXPULSION / SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS

- 32 (1) Subject to this rule the committee may expel a member from the ASSOCIATION or may suspend his membership for a period if, in the opinion of the committee the member has been guilty of conduct detrimental to the interests of the ASSOCIATION.
- (2) The expulsion or suspension of a member pursuant to sub-rule (1) of this rule does not take effect: -
- (a) until the expiration of seven (7) days after the service on the member of a notice under sub-rule (3) of this rule; or
 - (b) if the member exercises 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 or suspends a member from the ASSOCIATION, the Public Officer of the ASSOCIATION shall, without undue delay, cause to be served on the member a notice in writing: -
- (a) stating that the committee has expelled or suspended the member;
 - (b) Specifying the grounds for the expulsion or suspension; and
 - (c) informing the member that if he so desires he may, within seven (7) days after the service of the notice on him, appeal against the expulsion or suspension 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 or suspension to a special general meeting by delivering or sending by post to the Public Officer of the ASSOCIATION within seven (7) days after the service of that notice, a requisition in writing demanding the convening of such a meeting for the purpose of hearing his appeal.

- (5) Upon receipt of a requisition under sub-rule (3) of this rule, the Public Officer shall forthwith notify the committee of its receipt and the committee shall thereon 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 Public Officer.
- (6) At a special meeting convened for the purpose of this rule: -
- (a) no business other than the question of the expulsion or suspension shall be transacted;
 - (b) the committee may place before the meeting details of the grounds of the expulsion or suspension and the committee's reasons for the expulsion or suspension;
 - (c) the expelled or suspended 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 or suspension 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 or suspension, the expulsion or suspension shall be deemed to have been lifted and the expelled or suspended member is entitled to continue his membership of the ASSOCIATION.
- (8) If at the special general meeting a majority of the members present vote in favour of the confirmation of the expulsion or suspension, the expulsion or suspension takes effect, and the expelled member ceases to be a member of the ASSOCIATION, and the suspended member ceases to be a member of the ASSOCIATION for that period.

ALTERATION OF THE CONSTITUTION

- 33 (1) The rules may be amended by resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of financial members voting at a special general meeting.
- (2) Notice of the proposed amendments shall be available on request from the Secretary fourteen (14) days prior to the special general meeting.
- (3) An amendment to the objects, and purposes of the ASSOCIATION shall not be effective until approved by the Registrar.
- (4) An alteration to the objects, purposes or rules is of no effect until a copy of the alteration is lodged with the Registrar of Companies in the Northern Territory.

SEAL OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 34 (1) The seal of the ASSOCIATION shall be in the form of a rubber stamp inscribed with the name of the ASSOCIATION encircling the word "SEAL".
- (2) The Seal of the ASSOCIATION shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the committee and the affixing thereof shall be attested by the signatures either of two members of the committee or of one member of the committee and of the Public Officer of the ASSOCIATION or such other person as the committee may appoint for that purpose, and that attestation is sufficient for all purposes that the Seal was affixed by authority of the committee.

(3) The Seal shall remain in the custody of the Public Officer.

WINDING UP OF THE ASSOCIATION

35 In the event of the ASSOCIATION being wound up or dissolved and there remaining after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall be given or transferred to an Institution or like Association having objects similar to the ASSOCIATION and as authorised by the associations Incorporation Ordinance.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Annual Subscription	Section 29 (1)	1986
Life Membership	Section 5A (a)	16/6/87
Special General Meetings	Section 12 (3) (4) (5)	30/5/89
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President to preside at General Meetings	Section 15 (2)	27/06/12
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Meeting of the committee	Section 26 (4)	27/06/12
Meeting of the committee	Section 26 (6)	27/06/12