

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
VICTOR HARBOR TENNIS CLUB

1. NAME

The Club shall be called the "Victor Harbor Tennis Club"

2. OBJECTS

- a. To promote and control the game of tennis amongst members of the Victor Harbor Tennis Club
- b. To provide for Members arrangements and facilities to play tennis and hold tournaments and competitions with other tennis clubs as may be selected by the Committee.
- c. To affiliate with the authority controlling tennis in South Australia
- d. To arrange for Members various social activities an all things incidental to the playing of tennis

3. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Membership shall be limited to the following persons:
 - i. Persons who have subscribed to and paid for their membership as Financial Members for a particular season
 - ii. Persons who have been awarded Life Memberships of the Victor Harbor Tennis Club
- b. Applications for membership shall be made on our website or on the form provided and shall be considered by the Committee
- c. The Committee in its discretion may approve, refuse or terminate the membership of any person
- d. Each personal becoming a Member of the Club shall be bound by the Constitution of the Club and the decisions of the Committee
- e. Life Membership of the Club may be awarded to any persons who have give outstanding services to the Club and whose nominations have been approved by the Committee and who have been elected at an Annual General Meeting by two-thirds of those present and entitled to vote. Life Members shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of Financial Members and shall be exempt from subscriptions fees, calls and levies.

4. COMMITTEE

- a. The Management of the Club shall be vested in a Committee comprising of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer (the Officers of the Club) and four (4) other members
- b. Of the four Committee members who are not Officers, preferably at least three (3) shall be playing members of the Club
- c. All Officers and the Committee shall hold office for a period of one year from the date of election
- d. At the conclusion of their respective terms of office, all Committee Members shall be eligible for re-election

5. GENERAL MEETING

- a. The President or Vice-President shall take the chair at all General Meetings and in their absence the Members present may elect their own Chairperson. The Chairperson at any meeting, in addition to his own vote, shall have a casting vote
- b. At any General Meeting ten (10) Members personally present shall constitute a quorum
- c. The Secretary shall give at least seven (7) days' notice in writing of any General Meeting to all voting Members
- d. If a quorum is not present within thirty minutes of the nominated time, the Members present may adjourn the meeting to such time and day within one month, as they may decide

6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- a. The Annual General Meeting shall be held during March each year, at such time and place as the Committee may determine, for the purpose of electing Officers, Committee Members and Auditors for the ensuing year, for determining subscription rates and for transacting such other business as shall have been specified in the notice convening such meeting
- b. At every such Annual General Meeting of the Club, the President's report and the Treasurer's audited Balance Sheet and financial statements for the immediately preceding year shall be submitted for adoption

7. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Special General meetings shall be convened by the Secretary when directed by the President or upon a request in writing signed by not less than ten (10) Members of the Club, setting forth the object for which such meeting is desired. Such request must be received by the Secretary at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date fixed for the holding thereof.

8. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- a. Committee meetings shall be convened by the Secretary whenever requested by the President or two (2) Committee Members and shall be convened at least once every two (2) months
- b. The President or Vice-President will act as Chairperson at all Committee meetings and shall have a casting vote in addition to his vote as a Member
- c. At any Committee meeting five (5) Members including three (3) Officers shall form a quorum. If a quorum is not present within thirty minutes of the nominated time, the Members present may adjourn the meeting to such time and day, within one month, as they may decide

9. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- a. Subscriptions shall be determined at each Annual General Meeting and shall be due on the 1st day of October each year
- b. Unfinancial Members shall be ineligible to vote or participate in the competition and other events arranged for the club

10. FINANCE

- a. The financial year shall commence on the 1st day of October each year
- b. All monies received by the Club shall as soon as practicable be paid to the credit of the Club at a Savings Bank determined by the Committee and the account(s) shall be operated on by at least two (2) of the Officers of the Club
- c. The account(s) shall be audited before each Annual General Meeting
- d. In the event of the Club ceasing to exist all assets of the Club shall be considered at a Special General Meeting of Members to be called at that time

11. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

- a. An Auditor (not being a Member of the Committee) shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting to act for the ensuing twelve (12) months
- b. The audit of the Club's books and account(s) shall take place at such time as the Auditor shall decide, provided that the books shall be subject to a complete audit not less than once in every twelve (12) months

12. PAYMENTS

The Committee may compensate a Member or other person for out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of the Club and may make any payment either by way of honorarium or otherwise to any Member or other person of services rendered to the Club

13. ALTERNATION TO CONSTITUTION

This Constitution may be altered at a General Meeting subject to a notice of alteration specifying the proposed change(s) having been received by the Secretary not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting to enable a copy of the proposed alterations to be included in the notice to Members. The proposed alteration(s) must be approved by at least two-thirds of those present and entitled to vote

14. INDEMNITY

Every Member of the Club shall release and discharge the Club and every Office Holder thereof from all liability on any ground whatsoever arising out of any accident occurring to any such Member or any action or omission of any Office Holder in good faith, whether negligently or in excess of his authority or in breach of this constitution or in contravention of any law whatsoever.

15. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

Any matters not provided for in the Constitution shall be determined by the Committee.