

Notice of Motion to Amend the Constitution to revise the provisions for dealing with unfinancial members.

In accordance with clause 14(a) of the constitution of the Claremont yacht Club (Inc.), I hereby give notice that I will move the following motion to be adopted by the members present and entitled to vote at the Half Yearly General Meeting of Members of the Club, to be held in the Clubhouse on Thursday 21st March 2019.

Explanation:

This motion is to replace the unfinancial member process currently in the Constitution with a more direct process which will allow inactive members to be more readily removed. These revisions also allow the General Committee the ability to agree payment plans with members, as required, without the member facing the immediate risk of ceasing to be a member. However, the General Committee will be able to more efficiently remove from our books members who become inactive and neither resign, nor respond to requests to pay their membership subscription.

A members will have 3 months in which to pay a fee or charge. At the end of that time they may be expelled by General Committee. The expelled member has up to 9 months (or thereabouts) after expulsion to pay the outstanding amount plus any additional fees which have become due in the intervening period.

If an expelled members come good with the cash then their period of expulsion will be deemed to have been a period of suspension of their membership - as carpark access and jetty access has been denied for a period and can't be reinstated in the past. The General Committee has the power to discipline a members with suspension; in this case their period of suspension would be the penalty for the late payment of the fee or charge.

MOTION 1: That clause 4 (g) "Unfinancial Members" of the **Constitution** be amended by deleting the words which are in ~~red and struck through~~ and by inserting the words highlighted in blue and underlined.

"(g) Unfinancial Members

- ~~(i) A Member is Unfinancial if his or her account has not been settled within 30 days of the end of the month in which the debt was incurred, has been notified of such debt by the Club by a statement, and has been advised in writing by the General Committee that he or she is Unfinancial.~~
- ~~(ii) A Member remains Unfinancial until his or her account is settled or the General Committee agrees to some arrangement for the repayment of the debt.~~
- ~~(iii) Unfinancial Senior or Life Members may not attend or vote at Meetings of Members. Credit may be denied to Unfinancial Members at the discretion of the General Committee. Unfinancial Members may enjoy only those benefits and privileges of membership as are determined by the General Committee.~~
- ~~(iv) The General Committee may determine that a Member is to forfeit his or her membership if he or she remains an Unfinancial Member for three months whether or not the Member has subsequently ceased to be Unfinancial.~~
- ~~(v) Should a Member fail to settle his or her account with the Club and forfeit his or her membership as an Unfinancial Member, and subsequently seek to rejoin as a Member, such application shall not be considered until the outstanding amount has been paid.~~
- (i) If a Member has not paid the annual membership fee, or other fees or charges, within the period of 3 months after the due date, the Member ceases to be a Member on the expiry of that period,

unless they have entered into an agreement approved by General Committee for payment of their membership and any other outstanding fees.

- (ii) If a person who has ceased to be a Member under sub-rule (i) offers to pay the outstanding fee or charge after the period referred to in that sub-rule has expired, then:
- a. the General Committee may, at its discretion, accept that payment provided that the payment is made within 12 months of the fee or charge being due or such longer period as the General Committee may determine; and
 - b. if the payment is accepted, the person's membership is reinstated from the date that the fee or charge was due."

Moved:

Bill MacLeod,

Bill MacLeod on behalf of the General Committee