

GLENELG FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED  
CONSTITUTION

ADOPTED ON

1. NAME

The name of the club is "GLENELG FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED".

2. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

In these rules unless a contrary intention appears:

- 2.1 "the Board" means the Board of Directors established pursuant to Rule 8 of these rules.
- 2.2 "the Club" means Glenelg Football Club Incorporated.
- 2.3 "Director" means a member of the Board.
- 2.4 "Financial Year" means the period of one year ending on 31 October in each calendar year.
- 2.5 "League" means the South Australian National Football League Incorporated.
- 2.6 "the President" means the President of the Board of Directors appointed pursuant to Rule 8.6 of these Rules.
- 2.7 "Resolution" or "Ordinary Resolution" means a resolution passed by more than one half of members of the Club present and entitled to vote whether in person or by proxy or otherwise at any Meeting of Members of the Club.
- 2.8 "Senior Coach" means the person for the time being employed by the Club to coach the Club's League Team .
- 2.9 "Special Resolution" means a resolution passed by not less than three quarters of members of the Club present and entitled to vote whether in person or by proxy or otherwise at any Meeting of Members of the Club.
- 2.10 "Registered Volunteers" means those persons who are volunteers registered with the Club performing duties related to the operations of the Club.
- 2.11 Headings shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of these Rules.
- 2.12 Words referring to the singular number include the plural and vice versa.
- 2.13 Words referring to the masculine gender also include the feminine and neuter gender and vice versa.
- 2.14 Words referring to persons include corporations and vice versa.

- 2.15 General expressions used in these Rules in connection with powers directions or things shall not be limited to or controlled by the particular powers directions or things with which they are connected.

### 3. OBJECTS

The objects of the Club are:-

- 3.1 To promote and encourage the game of Australian Football.
- 3.2 To promote and encourage the playing of such other forms of athletic sports and games as the Board may from time to time determine.
- 3.3 To be a member of the South Australian National Football League Incorporated and such other sporting body as the Board may from time to time determine.
- 3.4 To promote unity and good fellowship among the members of the Club and between members of the Club and other Clubs.

### 4. POWERS

In furtherance of its objects the Club has the following powers:

- 4.1 To lease or acquire by purchase or otherwise any freehold or leasehold land or property real or personal and/or acquire, rent, construct, provide, make and maintain all such stands, sheds, buildings, fences and other improvements as in the opinion of the Board may from time and time be necessary for the furtherance of the Club's objects or any of them for the proper conduct and management of the business of the Club.
- 4.2 To invest and deal with the monies of the Club in such manner as the Board determines including without limitation the power to lend moneys to persons on such terms as the Board determines and to subscribe for, take, acquire, hold, sell, exchange and deal in shares, stocks, bonds, obligations, debentures, or securities of any Government authority or person or company.
- 4.3 To borrow or raise money or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Board determines and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Club's property (both present and future) and to purchase redeem or pay off any such securities.
- 4.4 To sell, improve, manage, let, mortgage, dispose of or take into account any of the real or personal property of the Club.
- 4.5 To open and maintain a bank account or accounts and to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
- 4.6 To lend and advance money or give credit to any person or corporation, to guarantee and give guarantees or indemnities in respect of the payment of money or the performance of contracts or obligations by any person or corporation, to secure or undertake in any way the repayment of moneys lent or advanced to or the liabilities incurred by any person or

corporation and otherwise to assist any person or corporation, and to enter into such agreements as may be necessary for the furtherance of the objects of the Club, and the welfare of its players.

- 4.7 To assist, in such manner as the Board shall determine, playing members of the Club, particularly in cases of sickness, accident or hardship.
- 4.8 To establish, maintain and support or aid in the establishment and support of funds, trusts and conveniences calculated to benefit employees or playing members or past employees or past playing members of the club and to grant compensations and allowances and to make payments towards insurance or assurances and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects or for any public, general athletic or useful object.
- 4.9 To effect and maintain any policy of life assurance.
- 4.10 To do all such acts and things as are incidental or subsidiary to all or any of the above objects.

## 5. MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 Any person other than a person who is a playing member or officer of another Club which is a member of the League shall be eligible for membership of the Club.
- 5.2 The Board has the power to create, determine and/or vary the class or classes of membership and the terms and conditions of and the rights and privileges attached to each class or classes of membership.
- 5.3 Without limiting the provisions of Rule 5.2:
  - 5.3.1 there will be a class of membership known as "Ordinary Membership". Ordinary Membership confers upon a person such rights and privileges, and is subject to such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board from time to time. An ordinary Member shall have the right to attend and vote at every Meeting of Members of the Club;
  - 5.3.2 the Board has power from time to time to create classes of membership known as "Honorary Membership", "Volunteer Membership" and "Junior Membership" with power to determine the terms and conditions of and the rights and privileges attaching to each of those classes of membership. Each applicant for "Junior Membership" must be under the age of 18 years on the date of application for "Junior" Membership".
- 5.4 The annual membership fee for each class of members must be determined each year by the Board.
- 5.5 Subject to Rules 5.3, 5.6 and 5.7 payment of a membership fee entitles a member to attend and vote at all meetings of members of the Club until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the end of the Financial Year in which that fee was paid.

- 5.6 No person is entitled to vote at any meeting of members of the Club unless his annual membership fee has been duly paid. This Rule does not apply to Life Members of the Club and Registered Volunteer Staff who have not been required to pay the annual membership fee.
- 5.7 Notwithstanding any other Rule contained in these Rules a member under the age of 18 years is entitled to attend but not vote at any Meeting of Members of the Club.
- 5.8 Notwithstanding any other Rule contained in these Rules a Playing Member is entitled to attend but not vote at any Meeting of Members of the Club.

## 6. LIFE MEMBERS

- 6.1 The Board may resolve that Life Membership be conferred on any member who has in a special degree promoted the objects and interests of the Club. Such member will thereafter be and continue to be a member of the Club without paying any membership fee unless and until such membership is subsequently terminated by resolution of the Board. A Life Member is entitled to all the rights and privileges of an Ordinary Member including without limitation the right to attend and vote at all meetings of members of the Club.
- 6.2 All persons who are Life Members of the Club upon the adoption of these Rules will continue to be Life Members.

## 7. OFFICERS

- 7.1 The Officers of the Club shall be the Patron, Vice Patrons, and the Directors.
- 7.2 The Officers of the Club other than the members of the Board shall be appointed by the Board and hold office until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting following their appointment unless such office is terminated or vacated before that time.
- 7.3 Any vacancy occurring during the year in any office (other than the office of Director) shall be filled by the Board but any person so appointed will hold office only until the Annual General Meeting following his appointment and shall be eligible for re-appointment to that office.

## 8. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 8.1 The conduct, control and management of the affairs of the Club is vested in a Board of Directors.
- 8.2 The persons being Directors at the date of the adoption of these Rules shall remain as Directors until the next Annual General Meeting after the adoption of these Rules.
- 8.3 Until otherwise decided by the Club in a General Meeting the maximum number of Directors shall be not more than ten (10) comprising:
- 8.3.1 the Chairman or designate of the Vice Presidents' Committee appointed under Rule 10.3;

- 8.3.2 the Finance Director appointed under Rule 16;
  - 8.3.3 four (4) Directors elected under Rule 11;
  - 8.3.4 not more than four (4) members appointed by the Board on the resolution of the other members of the Board.
- 8.4 The Directors have the power at any time to appoint any person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Directors but so that the maximum number of Directors fixed in accordance with these Rules is not exceeded. Any Director appointed to fill a casual vacancy will hold office only until the expiration of the term of the Director whose vacancy was filled.
- 8.5 Subject to these Rules each appointed Director will hold office until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting following his appointment.
- 8.6 The Board shall appoint one of their number to be the President and shall have the power to remove that person as President.
- 8.7 The Board shall appoint one of their number to be Deputy President and shall have the power to remove that person as Deputy President.
- 8.8 The Board shall appoint one of their number to be Executive Director and shall have the power to remove that person as Executive Director.
- 8.9 The President and Deputy President shall (unless his appointment is earlier terminated) retain office as President and Deputy President until the first meeting of the Board of Directors following the next ensuing Annual General Meeting after either appointment and shall be eligible for re-appointment.
- 8.10 If the appointment of the President is terminated for any reason before the expiration of his term the Board shall appoint another of their members to be President who will hold office for so long only as the person in whose place he is appointed would have held office if his appointment had not been terminated.
- 8.11 Subject to Rule 8.12 the President will chair all meetings of the Board.
- 8.12 If the President is not present at any meeting of the Board within 15 minutes of the scheduled commencement time of that meeting the Deputy President shall act as Chair of the Board and if he is not present, a Chair of the meeting shall be elected by ordinary resolution of the Directors present at that meeting.
- 8.13 The Board shall meet to carry out its business at such time or times as it determines but in any event not less frequently than once in each calendar month.
- 8.14 The quorum for a meeting of members of the Board is four (4) Directors unless otherwise determined by members of the Club in General meeting.
- 8.15 The President, Deputy President or any three (3) Directors may at any time summon a meeting of the Board.

- 8.16 The Directors or a quorum of Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy on the Board.
- 8.17 Questions arising at any meeting shall unless otherwise specified in these Rules or determined by the Board be decided by a majority of votes. In case of equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- 8.18 A person shall automatically cease to be a member of the Board:
- 8.18.1 if he resigns;
  - 8.18.2 if he absents himself from three consecutive meetings of the Board without leave of absence being granted by the Board on or before each of those meetings;
  - 8.18.3 if he ceases to be a member of the Club; or
  - 8.18.4 if he is suspended for any period as a member of the Club;
  - 8.18.5 if he is removed by resolution of the Board.

## 9. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD

Subject to these Rules the conduct control and management of the affairs of the Club is vested in the Board which shall without limitation, have the following powers and duties:

- 9.1 To meet, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they shall think fit.
- 9.2 To open an account or accounts at the Club's bank into which all monies of the Club shall be paid.
- 9.3 To determine from time to time the person or persons who shall operate on the Club's bank accounts.
- 9.4 To elect persons as members of the Club.
- 9.5 To pass for payment accounts submitted to the Board.
- 9.6 To appoint, when necessary for the purposes of an election, a Retuning Officer whose decision in relation to all matters concerning the conduct and result of such election shall be final.
- 9.7 To make by laws not inconsistent with these Rules and to alter or rescind such by-laws.
- 9.8 To decide upon any question or difference which may arise as to the construction or meaning of these Rules or by-laws made under them. For that purpose and without limitation whenever such questions or differences arise they shall be referred to the Board, whose decisions shall be final and binding on all parties.
- 9.9 To make rules or by-laws concerning the obligations of the Club to playing members and of playing members to the Club and to revoke,

alter, vary or amend those rules or by-laws from time to time which rules or by-laws as revoked altered amended or varied shall be deemed to be and form part of any Contract or Agreement between the Club and any playing member.

- 9.10 To enter into such contracts in the name of and on behalf of the Club as it shall think advisable and at all times to dispose of the fund of the Club as it may deem best for the carrying out of the objects of the Club.
- 9.11 To receive from the Finance Director, and consider, true accounts:
  - 9.11.1 of the assets and liabilities of the Club;
  - 9.11.2 of the income and expenditure of the Club.
- 9.12 Once at least in every 12 months to lay before the Club in General Meeting an Annual Report, a Financial Report including a Statement of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet of the Club for the financial year and the Auditor's Report on the Financial Report of the Club.
- 9.13 To appoint any sub-committee as it may determine and to delegate to any sub-committee such of its duties and powers as it may decide.
- 9.14 To remove from office any person holding office in the Club, other than a member of the Board holding office under Rules 8.3.1 and 8.3.2, and any member of any sub-committee of the Club whether constituted under these Regulations or by the Board and whether appointed by the Board or elected by members of the Club, and appoint another or others in his place. Any person appointed to fill the vacancy created by such removal will fill such vacancy for the remainder of the term of office of the person who has been removed.
- 9.15 To appoint and dismiss employees of the Club (whether full or part-time) as the Board considers appropriate.
- 9.16 To make standing orders for the regulation of meetings of the Club and of the Board and of any sub-committee and for the regulation of the election of members of the same (where applicable) and to amend, alter, vary or rescind such standing orders.
- 9.17 To nominate and appoint in each year one person to be a Delegate to or Director of the League and to promptly fill any casual vacancy occurring in respect of such Delegate or Director.
- 9.18 To nominate and appoint in each year one or more persons to be a proxy Delegate or alternate Director to attend meetings of the League and to vote thereat.
- 9.19 To appoint and dismiss all Coaches of the Club and all training and Room Staff and any registered volunteer.
- 9.20 To determine the remuneration to be paid to the Auditor or Auditors for the time being of the Club.

## 10. VICE PRESIDENTS' COMMITTEE

- 10.1 A person may become a Vice President for a period not exceeding one year ending on 31 October in each calendar year upon payment of an annual subscription prescribed by the Board. A Vice President will hold office until 31 October next following the payment by him of an annual subscription or until he either resigns or is removed by the Board, whichever first happens.
- 10.2 The Vice Presidents will have such powers and carry out such duties as may be delegated to them by the Board.
- 10.3 At its October meeting prior to each Annual General Meeting of members of the Club, the Vice Presidents shall appoint from their number a Chairman. The Chairman may nominate himself or another member of the Vice Presidents as a Director to take office at the first meeting of the Board after the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.4 If a vacancy occurs for any reason in the position of the Chairman appointed under Rule 10.3, the Vice Presidents must from their number appoint another person to that position subject to Board ratification. Any person so appointed will hold office only until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of members of the Club following such appointment.
- 10.5 The Vice Presidents shall also elect from their number the following additional office holders:
- 10.5.1 Vice Chairman;
- 10.5.2 Secretary; and
- 10.5.3 Treasurer
- and who also have the power to remove any person so appointed as an office holder.
- 10.6 Fifteen (15) Vice Presidents present in person shall be a quorum for meetings of the Vice Presidents.

## 11. BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ELECTIONS

- 11.1 Notice that nominations for positions as Directors be received must be advertised in a daily newspaper circulating in Adelaide on or before the 15th day of November each year giving relevant details.
- 11.2 All nominations must be in writing signed by the candidate (who must be a member of the Club) and two (2) members of the Club and must reach the Chief Executive Officer or his office before the end of November in each year.
- 11.3 Should more members be proposed for election than are required to fill the vacancies an election shall be held by ballot among the financial members of the Club.
- 11.4 Should a sufficient number of members not offer themselves for election any vacant position shall be filled by those Directors elected or in office after members are elected.



- 11.5 The Board is responsible for all arrangements relating to the conduct of elections which shall be held before the 20th day of December in each year.
- 11.6 An election of persons to the position of Director must be held at the Annual General Meeting and/or by postal ballot and/or by such other means as the Board may determine.
- 11.7 The persons elected shall take office immediately following the declaration of the result of such election.
- 11.8 The Board shall appoint a Returning Officer to conduct any election.
- 11.9 In the event of a tied vote in any election of Directors, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.
- 11.10 At the first election of Directors following the acceptance of this Constitution the two (2) Directors with the highest number of votes will serve a term of two (2) years and the two (2) Directors receiving the least amount of votes will serve a term of one (1) year, but may offer themselves for re-election at the following Annual General Meeting, thereafter elected Directors will serve a term of two (2) years.

## 12. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

- 12.1 There shall be a Fund raising Committee comprising a Director as elected or appointed as per rules 8.3.4, 8.3.5 and 11, who will be its Chairman, and such other person or persons as the Board shall from time to time appoint.
- 12.2 A person appointed to the Fund raising Committee will hold office until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting following his appointment unless he resigns or is removed before that time.
- 12.3 The Board has the power to fill any casual vacancy on the Fund raising Committee.
- 12.4 The powers and duties of the Fundraising Committee shall, subject to the direction and control of the Board, be to manage, control and direct fundraising and such other activities of the Club as the Board determines.

## 13. MATCH COMMITTEE

- 13.1 There shall be a Match Committee comprising a Chairman who shall be appointed by the Board, the Senior Club Coach, Assistant to the Senior Coach (if any), Reserves Coach, and such other person or persons as the Board appoints from time to time but so that the total number of members of the Match Committee must not exceed eight (8). All persons appointed to the Match Committee may be removed and replaced by the Board.
- 13.2 The powers and duties of the Match Committee are:
  - 13.2.1 to be responsible for the welfare and discipline of all players in the Club;

- 13.2.2 to make recommendations to the Board for its approval concerning the appointment of the Captain, Vice Captain and Deputy Vice Captain, of the League team of the Club, clearances and recruiting policies and to co-ordinate and direct all matters concerning the playing activities of the Club;
- 13.2.3 to select or be responsible for the selection and appointment of the U17 and U19 team coaches;
- 13.2.4 to select or be responsible for the selection of all teams of the Club with power to delegate the responsibility of selecting any team to such other person or persons as they may decide;
- 13.2.5 to carry out such other duties as are from time to time delegated to it by the Board.

13.3 The quorum for all Meetings of the Match Committee is three (3) members of that Committee.

#### 14. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 14.1 There shall be an Executive Committee comprising the President, Deputy President and one (1) Executive Director appointed by the Board one of whom shall be the Finance Director.
- 14.2 The Executive Committee has power to deal with any matter arising between meetings of the Board which in the opinion of any member of the Executive Committee is required to be dealt with urgently. Every decision of the Executive Committee will be binding as if it was a resolution of the Board.
- 14.3 The Chief Executive Officer shall sit Ex Officio on the Executive Committee.

#### 15. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Board shall appoint a Chief Executive Officer of the Club for such term and upon such remuneration and conditions as the Board shall determine. The duties of the Chief Executive Officer will be:

- 15.1 To attend all meetings of the Board and other meetings as directed by the Board.
- 15.2 To keep or cause to be kept a list of members for the time being of the Club.
- 15.3 To keep or cause to be kept records and minutes for the Club in a book or books provided for that purpose of the meetings of the Board, and all other committees and sub-committees of the Club.
- 15.4 To convene or cause to be convened meetings of the Board and all other committees and sub-committees.
- 15.5 To receive or cause to be received subscriptions and other moneys belonging or due to the Club and upon receipt of the same to pay same into the Club's bank account.

- 15.6 To carry out all such other duties as may be delegated to him by the Board.

16. FINANCE DIRECTOR

The Board shall appoint a Finance Director of the Club for a term expiring at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following his appointment and otherwise upon such conditions as the Board shall in its absolute discretion think fit. The duties of the Finance Director shall be:

- 16.1 To be a Director of the Club and a member of the Executive Committee.
- 16.2 To ensure preparation of such financial statements as may be directed by the Board.
- 16.3 To ensure that all books of accounts, bank records, papers and other records relating to the financial affairs of the Club are submitted for audit when required by the Board and to ensure all information and explanations are supplied when requested by the Auditor relating to them.
- 16.4 To ensure an account of all monies received and disbursed by the Club is kept and submit such accounts in relation to the Annual General Meeting duly audited.

17. AUDITOR

- 17.1 There shall be an Auditor or Auditors of the Club who shall be appointed by the members of the Club at the Annual General Meeting in each year. Any vacancy occurring in the position of Auditor during the ensuing year shall be filled by the Board.
- 17.2 The powers and duties of the Auditor or Auditors shall be as follows:
- 17.2.1 to audit the books of the Club in accordance with the laws and standards in force from time to time and which relate to the Club and to report the result of such audit to the Board in sufficient time to enable the Board to present that report to the Annual General Meeting of the Club;
- 17.2.2 to make a report to the Board upon the Financial Report including the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Balance Sheet and in every such report the Auditor shall state whether or not the Auditor is satisfied that the Financial Report is drawn up so as to present fairly the results of the Club for the Club's financial year and the financial state of the Club as at the end of the Club's financial year.

18. REGISTER OF MEMBERS

- 18.1 The Chief Executive Officer shall enter or cause to be entered into a Register of Members the name and address and class of membership of each person who has been elected to membership of the Club.
- 18.2 If any member makes application in writing to the Chief Executive Officer for inspection of the Register of Members, the Chief Executive

Officer shall notify such person of a convenient place and time within 5 working days of the receipt of such application and such person shall be entitled to inspect and to make extracts from the Register of Members at such time and place.

- 18.3 The names of all members, Officers, Directors and Life Members of the Club shall be entered on the Register of Members.

19. MEETING OF MEMBERS

- 19.1 An Annual General Meeting shall be held no later than the last day of February in each year.

- 19.2 The business to be conducted at each Annual General Meeting shall be:

19.2.1 to lay before members the Annual Report, the Financial Report including the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet and the Auditor's Report of the Club for the financial year ending on the 31st day of October preceding the date of the Annual General Meeting;

19.2.2 the election of the Directors of the Board under Rule 11;

19.2.3 to conduct any other business connected with the Club which may lawfully be conducted.

- 19.3 A special General Meeting of the Club may be called at any time by the Board on its own motion, or on receipt of the Chief Executive Officer of a requisition signed by not less than THIRTY (30) members of the Club entitled to be present and vote at any meeting of members of the Club requesting that a Special General Meeting of the Club be held, and the purpose of that meeting. The Board shall convene a Special General Meeting for the purpose set out in that requisition to be held not less than fourteen (14) days, nor more than twenty one (21) days after the date on which notice concerning the meeting is given under Rule 19.5. If the Board has not convened a Special General Meeting within sixteen (16) days of that requisition being lodged with the Chief Executive Officer, the persons signing such requisition or any of them, may convene a meeting themselves.

- 19.4 A Special General Meeting shall not entertain or transact any business except that which is specified in the notice convening that meeting.

- 19.5 All meetings of members of the Club shall be convened by advertisement published in one (1) issue of a daily newspaper circulating in Adelaide specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting and also in the case of Special General Meeting, the nature of the business proposed to be considered or transacted at such meeting, and such advertisement shall be inserted not less than fourteen (14) days prior to such meeting.

- 19.6 At all General Meetings of members of the Club thirty (30) members of the Club entitled to be present and vote at any such meeting and present in person or by proxy shall form a quorum.

- 19.7 Subject to these Rules:

- 19.7.1 only those persons whose names are entered on the Register of Members on 31 October in each year and/or who are not precluded by these Rules or conditions of their membership from attending and voting at that meeting are entitled to be present and/or vote at the Annual General Meeting of that year;
- 19.7.2 only those persons whose names are entered on the Register of Members on the date which is two calendar months before the Special General Meeting and/or who are not precluded by these Rules or conditions of their membership from attending and voting at that meeting are entitled to be present at and/or vote at that meeting.
- 19.8 The President or in his absence or refusal to do so, the Returning Officer, may appoint not more than (6) persons who need not be members of the Club to act as scrutineers at any General Meeting of members of the Club. A scrutineer may demand the name and identification, to the reasonable satisfaction of that scrutineer, of any person in or proposing to enter the room in which the meeting is held and if such person's name is not in the Register of Members and/or he or she does not produce identification of himself or herself as the case may be when so requested by a scrutineer he or she shall not enter the room; or if he or she be in the room the President may in his absolute discretion either not commence the meeting or if the meeting has commenced adjourn the meeting until such person withdraws from the room. Any scrutineer appointed who is not a member of the Club shall be entitled to enter the room in which the meeting is held but shall not be entitled to speak on any matter before the meeting nor to vote.
- 19.9 19.9.1 Voting for any office in the Club where such office is filled by election by members of the Club shall take place at such time and in such manner as the Board determines from time to time.
- 19.9.2 A member who is unable to cast a vote on the day on which election for any office in the Club is being conducted may apply to the Returning Officer for a ballot paper which must contain the names of all candidates who have been nominated for that office. The ballot paper must be returned to the Returning Officer in an envelope to be provided, together with an identification slip signed by the member by not later than 4.00pm on the day on which such election is conducted.
- 19.9.3 All elections by members for any office in the Club shall be conducted and determined on the "first past the post" system.

## 20. VOTING AT MEETINGS OF MEMBERS AND COMMITTEES

- 20.1 At any General Meeting of members each member present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote on any question before the meeting whether on a show of hands or a division or on a poll. In the case of an equality of votes the Chairman of that meeting shall be entitled to a casting vote as well as a deliberative vote.
- 20.2 At a meeting of any committee or sub-committee constituted under these Rules or meeting of players each person present in person and

entitled to vote shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote on any question before that meeting. In the case of an equality of votes the Chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to a casting vote as well as a deliberative vote.

## 21. CHAIRMAN OF MEETINGS OF MEMBERS AND COMMITTEES

21.1 Except as otherwise provided in these Rules:

21.1.1 the President of the Board or such other person being a member of the Club as the Board shall appoint will be the Chairman of all General Meetings of members of the Club;

21.1.2 if the President is absent from or declines to act as Chairman of any meeting or any part of a meeting and/or the Board has not appointed another person to act as Chairman of such meeting or part of a meeting the members of the Club present at the meeting have the right to appoint from their number present at the meeting a Chairman for that meeting or any part of it.

21.2 Except as otherwise provided in these Rules:

21.2.1 the members of each committee or sub-committee elected or appointed by the Board, or under these Rules shall from their number elect a Chairman to be the Chairman of all meetings of such committee or sub-committee;

21.2.2 in the absence of the Chairman from any meeting of such committee or sub-committee as the case may be the members of such committee or sub-committee must appoint another of its members present at that meeting to act as the Chairman of that meeting.

## 22. PROXIES

22.1 A member entitled to attend and vote at meetings of members may appoint any person who is a member of the Club as proxy to vote for him at any meeting of members.

22.2 The form appointing a proxy shall be in writing and signed by the member appointing such proxy.

22.3 A form appointing a proxy may specify the manner in which the proxy is to vote in respect of a particular motion and, where an instrument of proxy so provides, the proxy is not entitled to vote on the motion except as specified in the form of proxy.

22.4 The form appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or in a form that is as similar to the following form as the circumstances allow:

GLENELG FOOTBALL CLUB INC

I \_\_\_\_\_ of  
 being a member of Glenelg Football Club hereby appoint  
 \_\_\_\_\_ of  
 or, in his absence

of \_\_\_\_\_ as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual/Special General Meeting of the Club to be held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_ and at any adjournment of that meeting.

+This form is to be used \*in favour of/against the motion.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_ "

\*Strike out whichever does not apply

+To be inserted if desired.

- 22.5 The form appointing a proxy shall not be treated as valid unless it is deposited not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote, at the office of the Chief Executive Officer or other such place as is specified for that purpose in the notice convening the meeting.

### 23. PLAYERS AND PLAYERS' MEETINGS

- 23.1 The playing members of the Club included in the first League Training List published by the Club in each year shall hold a meeting prior to the first league match of a football season in such year at a time appointed by the Chief Executive Officer and at that meeting they shall elect one of their number to the position of Players' Representative.
- 23.2 The Players' Representative appointed under Rule 23.1 will hold office until his successor is appointed at a similar meeting in the following year except that if a casual vacancy occurs in the position of Players' Representative it must be filled by a person elected at a meeting of playing members of the Club included in the League Training List of the Club at the time of that meeting.
- 23.3 At any meeting of players, fourteen (14) playing members shall form a quorum.
- 23.4 If at a meeting of the players on the League Training List of the Club two thirds of those present resolve that the position of Players' Representative shall become vacant then that position shall immediately become vacant and the meeting shall elect another player on the League Training List who is a playing member to fill such vacancy.

A meeting of players may be convened at any time by the Board, and shall be convened by the Board upon receipt of a request signed by not less than ten (10) playing members on the League Training List of the Club.

- 23.5 Meetings of players on the League Training List of the Club may unless otherwise determined by the Board be called by the Chief Executive Officer by notice posted on the Notice board in the players Change Room specifying the object of the meeting, not less than seven (7) days before the meeting.
- 23.6 The Captain and Vice Captain of the League Team and the Players' Representative may upon request attend any meeting of the Board to place before the Board any matter relating to playing members and the playing of football as they see fit PROVIDED HOWEVER that the Captain the Vice Captain and the Players' Representative shall have no right to

vote at any meeting of the Board at which they attend and may only remain at such meeting at the pleasure of the Chairman of the meeting.

23.7 Every playing member of the Club must carry out all reasonable directions and instructions given by the Board, the Chief Executive Officer and Members of the Match Committee concerning attendances at training, the obtaining and receiving of medical advice and treatment and concerning the general behaviour of playing members or any other matter relating or incidental to the playing of football. If any playing member refuses or neglects to obey a direction or instruction referred to in this Rule 23.7, the Board may on the recommendation of the Match Committee penalise such player by way of fine suspension, disqualification or removal as a member of the Club.

23.8 For the purposes of this Rule 23 a playing member is any person included on a list of players of the Club required to be lodged with the League under the Regulations of the League ("a List"). A playing member of the Club in any calendar year shall continue as such member until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Club in that calendar year or until he is removed from a List, whichever first happens.

#### 24. SEAL HOLDERS

24.1 The President, the Deputy President with such other Director or Directors as the Board may from time to time appoint shall be seal holders.

24.2 The seal of the Club maybe affixed to a document only with the authority of a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board and shall be affixed in the presence of and be signed and countersigned by any two of the President, Deputy President and any other seal holder appointed under Rule 24.1.

#### 25. MINUTES

Minutes of the proceedings of every meeting of the Board, the Club, and any committee, and sub-committee of the Club must be kept in a format acceptable by law.

#### 26. CLUB COLOURS

Unless otherwise determined by the Board the colours of the Club shall be a combination of Black and Gold.

#### 27. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

If any member, official or other person entitled to membership under these Rules shall, in the opinion of the Board, be guilty of conduct detrimental to the Club, its image or interest, such member, official or person may have his membership cancelled or any membership privileges withdrawn. If any such conduct is alleged the following procedures must be followed:

27.1 Details of the conduct complained of shall be given in writing by the Board to the member official or person against whom an allegation has been made.



- 27.2 Such member official or person shall be given an opportunity by the Board to show cause, and may be required by the Board to show cause in writing, as to why it should not cancel the membership of that member or withdraw his membership privileges.
- 27.3 The decision of the Board on the matter shall be given in writing to the member, official or person concerned.

## 28. VALIDITY OF RESOLUTIONS

- 28.1 All acts done at any meeting of the Board, or of any committee or sub-committee or by any person acting as a member of the Board or any committee or sub-committee shall, notwithstanding that it shall afterwards be discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any member or members of the Board, or any committee or sub-committee or person acting as aforesaid or that they or any of them were disqualified, be valid as if every person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a member of the Board or such committee or sub-committee as the case may be.
- 28.2 Every action of the Board or of its members shall while the number of members is below the maximum number of members required under these Rules pending the appointment of another person or persons be as valid or effectual as if there were then the maximum number of members present.
- 28.3 A resolution in writing signed by all the members of the Board shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the members of the Board (as the case may be) duly called and constituted.

## 29. NOTICES

Except where otherwise provided for by these Rules, a notice required to be served on or given to members may be served upon a member personally or by delivering the same to him or by sending the notice through the post in an envelope addressed to the member at his address as then appears in the register of members.

## 30. PROPERTY

The property of the Club shall not belong to the members thereof and no member shall by reason of his membership, have any transferable interest in any property of the Club.

## 31. ALTERATIONS OF RULES

- 31.1 These Rules may be added to, repealed, or altered by resolution at any Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, provided that no such resolution shall be deemed to have been passed unless at least TWO THIRDS of the voting members present in person or by proxy at the meeting shall vote for such resolution, and provided also that at least fourteen (14) days' notice shall be given to the Chief Executive Officer of the intention to move that the Rules be altered, added to or repealed, together with the effect of such intended motion, and only such motions of which notice has been given shall be considered at such meeting.

- 31.2 For a period of one (1) year after the date of adoption of this Constitution, the Board shall be empowered to add to, alter, repeal or otherwise amend the same without regard to the formal requirements for the amendment of rules set out herein. Any such amendment may be made by a simple majority of the Directors present and voting at a meeting of the Board.

32. INDEMNITY

Every member of the Board, the Auditor and all other officers of the Club shall be indemnified out of the funds of the Club against all costs, charges, damages, action, proceedings and expenses incurred or sustained by reason of any agreement entered into on behalf of the club or any act or default done or made by him in any way in carrying out the duties of his office, unless the same have been caused by his own fraud or dishonesty.

33. DISSOLUTION OF CLUB

33.1 The Club may be dissolved at a Special General Meeting specially convened for the purpose of which notice must be given not less than one month prior to the date of holding the Meeting.

33.2 At such meeting voting by proxy will be allowed and the votes of THREE FOURTHS of members of the Club present and voting in person or by proxy will be necessary to carry a resolution of such dissolution.

33.3 In the event that the Club is dissolved the surplus assets and moneys that remain after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities of the Club shall be transferred and paid to another entity:

33.3.1 which has objects similar to the objects of the Club;

33.3.2 which is not carried on for the profit or gain of its individual Members;

33.3.3 the rules of which prohibit the distribution of income or assets of that entity to its Members.

34. INTERPRETATION OF RULES

34.1 The Board is the sole authority for the interpretation of these Rules and the Board shall have power to make Regulations or By-Laws on any matter not provided for by these Rules and its decision in any question of interpretation or on any matter not provided for by these Rules shall be final and binding on the members.

34.2 These Rules, shall, if possible, be construed so as to be consistent and in compliance with the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the League and if there shall at any time be any conflict between these Rules and the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the League, the later shall prevail.

35. OPERATION OF RULES

35.1 These Rules shall come into operation on the date of their adoption.

35.2 All officers and servants of the Club shall perform, carry out and comply with all the Rules, Regulations, By-Laws, proper directions and requirements of the League.

36. MATTER NOT DEALT WITH

Any matter of any kind whatsoever not dealt with or provided for under these Rules may be dealt with in such manner as the Board shall determine.