MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc



HANDBOOK

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Welcome

This booklet has been prepared for the general guidance of new members as an introduction to the activities of the MG Car Club of Tasmania. More detailed information is available on the Car Club website

http://www.mgtas.org.au

Background

The MG Car Club of Tasmania was formed on Bastille Day, 14th July 1959, when seven MG owners met in Hobart. Over the ensuing years, the Club membership grew steadily with the emphasis clearly, at that time, directed towards competition, coupled with social activities.

Initially, the Club was based in Hobart. A sub-centre was formed in Launceston and, sometime later, a sub-centre in the North-West was created. In 1975, the Club formally re-structured, with Hobart also becoming a sub-centre, with a controlling State Committee having no fixed domicile. In practice, the State Committee meets at the historic midland village of Ross. Sub-centres operate semi-autonomously in their own region. Unfortunately, because of the decentralised nature of the North-West, it has proven difficult to maintain a structured sub-centre in the region. However, the Club interests are well served by a keen band of members in that area, with regular social gatherings.

Realistically, it was decided early in the Club's history, that it would not be viable for each marque to form a club in the state, so the Club made membership available to owners of suitable non-MG sports cars. This arrangement, coupled with social, *joint* and junior membership, has served the Club very well. The Club maintains a total membership in the order of 300 and is by far the most viable car club in Tasmania.

Over the years, the Club has had close involvement with the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS) and many members have taken, and continue to take, a role in the affairs of that body, holding positions attached to national panels.

The club came of age MG-wise, when it hosted the 1976 National Meeting in Hobart. That was the first time a meeting was held away from the Melbourne-Sydney-Adelaide circuit. The club now regularly hosts national meetings, boasting consistently high numbers of attendees.

Over time, as the MG marque has become more collectors' cars, there has been a shift in usage away from competition and more towards social events and displays. Whatever your preference the Club has events to accommodate all tastes.

Within this booklet you will find information in relation to what can be expected in the Club, your rights and obligations as a member, the types of social and competition events that are conducted for members, notes on the running of events and the best way of getting started.

As stated earlier, this handbook is presented as a guide only. Should you find that you still have questions that are not answered in this publication, please do not hesitate to contact any committee member who will be only too happy to provide the answers for you, or consult the website.

It should also be noted that competition events are conducted under the regulations of the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport (CAMS), and any conflict between the provisions contained in this handbook will be resolved in accordance with the current edition of the CAMS Manual, which is frequently updated.

Membership Cards

At the same time as receiving this booklet you should also receive a membership card, which will show your name, Club Membership Number, and expiry date. This card should be carried with you at all club events, particularly when entering competition events where it will be required to be shown as proof of membership. Should you lose your card, application should be made to the Membership Officer for the issue of a new one.

Name Badges

You will be issued with a name badge, the cost of which is included in your nomination fee, which we also ask that you wear at all club social and competition events. Name badges were introduced in to the Club with the intention of improving camaraderie between members and as a method of introducing members to one another. Any questions in relation to name badges should be referred to the Membership Officer.

Club Newsletter

The club newsletter, "MG Monthly Motoring News", is as the name suggests, published monthly and mailed to all financial members. The newsletter contains many items and articles of interest, and is the medium by which news and current information is conveyed to members. The type of information includes - lists of names and contact points of members of the various committees, lists of coming events, both social and competition news and events from sub-centres, membership report, results of events, for sale and wanted to buy advertisements, Club regalia items available for purchase, etc., as well as news items and articles of interest as made available from time to time.

The newsletter editor is always pleased to receive contributions from members such as reports on events, letters to the editor on matters of interest, technical tips, or maybe just your personal observations. Remember that it is your newsletter, so don't just leave it for someone else to make it interesting. All contributions may be submitted to the editor at the address shown in the latest edition, by email or via the contact page of the website.

Advertising in the newsletter is available at very economical rates to enable members to gain publicity for their business venture. All enquiries should be made to the editor. Members are also urged to support the businesses who take advantage of these competitive rates.

Regalia

The Club has a range of regalia items including clothing, cloth badges, lapel badges, grill badges, mugs etc. These are taken to some club events, are advertised in the newsletter and on the website. They can be ordered from the Regalia Officer. If you have suggestions for other items to be included, do not hesitate to contact the Regalia officer.

Data Base

The Club maintains a database in relation to the names, addresses, telephone numbers etc., together with a list of eligible cars owned by members. This database is used for the mailing out of newsletters and/or other communications as required, copies of the list are also made available to the various committees for the purpose of facilitating communication within the Club. It is therefore important that the information recorded is accurate, and all members are requested to advise changes of details such as change of address, cars bought or sold etc. The database also supplies us with a list of MG models owned within the state for the purpose of maintaining model registers. It should be made clear that the database is for authorised use within the Club only, and is not made available to any other organisation for any other purpose. For privacy reasons the database is only to be made available to state and sub-centre committee members for club purposes.

State Committee

Administration of the Club is vested in the State Committee, which is elected annually by the members at the Annual General Meeting of the Club. The State Committee is comprised of a President, Vice President, Club Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Immediate Past President, Membership Officer, and 2 General Committee Members. The State Committee currently meets once a month, generally on the first Monday, refer to newsletter for details. Members not on the State Committee are welcome to attend and to discuss matters on the agenda but may not vote.

Sub-Centres

There are currently two sub-centres in Tasmania, with the Southern Sub-Centre representing members in the South of the state, and the Northern Sub-Centre representing members in the North and North-West of the state. Each sub-centre has a committee comprising a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and four committee members and, in the case of the Northern Sub-Centre, a North-West Coordinator.

The sub-centres encourage all Club members to gather together for a noggin n' natter at venues arranged for this purpose. North West members also meet on a regular basis for a social evening.

The dates and venues for all these events are advertised in the newsletter and on the website.

On the Web

The MG Car Club of Tasmania maintains a web presence through both our website and on social media via our facebook group. The website and facebook group contain a range of information relating to the Club including; upcoming competition events, social events, media galleries, cars and parts for sale, club regalia, electronic copies of club publications, links to other car clubs locally, nationally and internationally and primary club contacts in each region and state wide. If there is anything you would like to see included please let the web administrator know via the email address listed on the website and in the magazine.

Facebook: MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc https://www.facebook.com/groups/120959937935391/

Website: MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc

http://www.mgtas.org.au/

It's Your Club

There is an old saying that you only get out of a club what you are prepared to put into it. Enjoy it more by being an active and interested member - you will enjoy the experience.

Membership

Full Membership-

To be eligible for full membership, applicants must be the owner of an MG motor car.

Associate Membership-

To be eligible for associate membership, applicants must be either:

A previous full member who is renewing membership but is no longer eligible to be a full member, or

The owner of a sports car. The definition of a sports car shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

Social Membership-

To be eligible for social membership, the applicant must be personally known to a full or associate member of the Club.

Joint Membership -

Is available for a partner of a member

Categories of joint membership are:

Joint Full Joint Associate Joint Social

Junior Membership-

To be eligible for junior membership, the applicant shall be a person under the age of 18 years, but have attained the age of 12 years, and shall, in the opinion of the Committee, be a person directly connected with a full or associate member.

Please note that joint membership is not available to parent/child situations and that social membership is not available to sports car owners.

Life Membership-

In accordance with the Constitution of the Club, the Committee has the power to confer Life Membership on any member at its discretion.

Club Events

The Club arranges a number of social and competition events during the year for participation by members. Competition events are organised by the Club Captain, and details of these are in the newsletter and on the website. Social events are organised by the state committee and sub-centres. All Club members are encouraged to attend these events and to bring along others who may be interested in joining the Club.

Social events will generally involve a "run" to somewhere to blow the cobwebs out of the car, followed by a social activity such as BBQ etc. Generally, members will meet at a convenient point and travel in convoy to the arranged venue. When travelling in convoy, members are requested to keep their eye on the car behind to ensure that if a car encounters a problem along the way, or is uncertain of the route, there will be immediate assistance. Do not make a turn until the car following you has indicated, thus acknowledging that awareness of your intentions. Also, when travelling on highways aim to keep up with modern traffic, or if this is difficult, pull over and let traffic pass.

Forthcoming social events are publicised in the newsletter, and members are encouraged to present ideas for a different or interesting venue to the sub-centre committees. Frequently the Club is also asked to provide cars for street parades or static displays at various major events. These are always good publicity for the Club and, once again, all members are encouraged to participate.

Dogs at Events

Members are reminded of the Club decision that dogs **shall not be brought to Club events of any nature** in the interest of safety and the comfort of others. Your cooperation in this matter would be appreciated and will avoid any unnecessary embarrassment.

Clubman Trophies

In addition to the competition trophies that are referred to elsewhere, a number of trophies are presented for attendance at Club events, and for participation in Club activities.

These trophies include awards to the Southern Clubman, the Northern Clubman, the North West Clubman, the First Year Clubman, (for a member's first full year in the Club) and the Arthur Twining Memorial Trophy for Clubman of the Year.

All members are eligible for points towards these trophies, and must make sure that they register their attendance and participation at any Club event, by signing the attendance register. If you can't locate the attendance register at any particular event, be sure to ask a committee member for its location. It is the

responsibility of the event organiser to ensure the attendance register is available at each event.

Sufficient notice of an event must be given in the newsletter to permit all members to attend. Clubman points will only be allocated to approved MG Car Club events.

Points accrued by a member, as indicated in the following list, will go towards the Sub-Centre Trophy for the sub-centre to which that member belongs.

Typical points allocated in this area include:

- Attendance at a sub-centre social event 1 Point
- Providing a venue for a sub-centre event 2 Points
- Attendance at a weekly/monthly club night 1 Point
- Organising a social or PR event 2 Points

Points accrued by a member, as indicated in the following list, sub-lists, will go towards Clubman of the Year trophy.

NOTE: A club event is a competition, social or PR event organised or run as a club. Usually, under the direction of a State Committee member. Includes TSS Rounds run by the MGCCT

Typical points allocated in this area include:

- Attending a Club event 1 Point (1 of the following may also apply)
 - Competing in a Club event Additional 1 Point
 - o Assisting in running a Club Event Additional 1 Point
 - Organising a Club Event Additional 2 Points
 - Providing venue for club event Additional 2 Points

The following additional points may also apply:

- Attending in an MG Additional 1 point
- Multi-day event Additional 1 point per day
- Nomination of an accepted non MG owner new member 1 Point
- Nomination of an accepted MG Owner new member 3 Points
- Contribution to club magazine or website (excluding facebook) Up to 3 Points (as defined below)
 - 3 Points for a written article with photo/s
 - o 2 Points for a written article, including run reports w/o photo/s
 - o 1 Point for sub-centre notes (not by the secretary or chairman)
 - 1 Point for exhaust notes

By clarification an article is considered over 200 words, a note less than 200 words. i.e. approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ page of text.

Clarification of above:

The standard reporting form as approved by the state committee will be used to report member participation in any sub-centre or club event.

Where two or more members are involved in organising an event, each gains two points.

Where two members are involved in providing a venue for an event, each gains two points.

A member providing a venue and organising the event may gain points for each of these. (i.e. 4 points) but is not allocated a point for attendance.

Points are not awarded to members of the State Committee for undertaking the duties associated with that position.

It is the responsibility of the Vice President to finalise points at the end of the Club year for presentation at the dinner.

The editor will forward points for newsletter contributions.

Sub-Centre secretaries will forward a list of events for that sub-centre showing those attending, organising, etc.

Club Captain will forward a list of those attending, competing and officiating at competition events.

Membership Officer will forward a list of those who have nominated members.

Competition Events

All competition events are run in accordance with the International Sporting Code of the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) and the National Competition Rules of CAMS Ltd (NCR).

Motorkhanas

Motorkhanas are generally fun events on sealed or unsealed surfaces that will test and develop your driving skills.

The object of the competition is for each driver to complete all the tests (usually three) in the prescribed manner, in the shortest possible time, without incurring penalties.

The tests consist of a series of coloured flags that must be negotiated in the prescribed manner. Diagrams of each test are provided for competitors' information and each competitor is given two attempts at each test, the fastest time for each test to count for overall result.

All vehicles must be scrutineered before competing. No special requirements are needed as long as the vehicle is generally roadworthy. Batteries must be securely fastened, and no loose articles are permitted in competing vehicles. Passengers are not permitted, unless assisting an inexperienced competitor and approved by the Clerk of Course. Vehicles are divided into classes based on wheelbase.

Drivers in motorkhanas are required to pay the advertised entry fee and must have an appropriate CAMS License. Helmets are not generally required for these events, unless specified by CAMS.

Placings are decided on the aggregate of elapsed times plus any penalties. The competitor having the lowest aggregate time is declared the winner.

The Club shall run a seven class system in all normal motorkhanas.

Classes shall be (by wheelbase) as per CAMS manual:

Up to and including 2150mm
2151mm to 2390mm
2391mm to 2574mm
Over 2575mm
Four Wheel Drive irrespective of wheelbase length
Front Wheel Drive Specials
Rear Wheel Drive Specials

Class E is provided for production four-wheel drive vehicles, which must be driven in the four-wheel drive mode throughout the competition. However, they shall run after all other vehicles have completed their tests. Class E vehicles are excluded from "Observed Section" and "Long Course" motorkhanas.

Tyres: Winter tread, unsealed surface rally, mud-and snow, those marked "for racing purposes only" or "not for highway use" or similar, bar tread, agricultural implement, hand cut patterned and dirt speedway tyres, are prohibited. Tyres fitted as standard on a registered road going vehicle are acceptable. For events conducted on sealed surfaces tyres marked "for racing use only" or "not for highway use" or similar, are prohibited.

Points toward club championship will be allocated at the rate of:

- 1st place in class 4 points
- 2nd place in class 3 points
- 3rd place in class 2 points
- 4th place or lower in class 1 point for each class

The outright MGCCT winner gains 1 bonus point in addition to the class points allocated to them.

Each class needs 4 entries or more to gain maximum 4 points.

Any class with less than 4 entries will only gain maximum 3 points.

Motorkhana Penalties

A full list of motorkhana penalties is available in the CAMS Manual. However, the following are the more common ones.

1) Knocking or hitting marker - plus 5 seconds each infringement.

2) Incorrect method or wrong direction - slowest time plus 5 seconds.

3) Failing to halt completely at the finish of a test - slowest time plus 5 seconds.

4) Reversing after crossing the designated finish line - slowest time plus 5 seconds.

5) Crossing a garage boundary during the course of a test - plus 5 seconds per boundary crossed.

General Motorkhana Rules

1) Vehicles must start and finish each test in a forward direction.

2) After crossing the designated finish line, the vehicle must continue and halt completely within the boundaries of the finish garage. This manoeuvre must be completed without reversing and within a period not exceeding 10 seconds.

3) The minimum age for drivers in any motorkhana is 12 years. Drivers must be able to demonstrate an ability to control the vehicle.

Speed Events (Club Days and Hillclimbs)

Speed Events relate to those events that are held on closed venues and, in our case, refer to Symmons Plains and Baskerville Club Days and Hillclimbs.

If you intend to compete at these events, it is important that you arrive on time. If an event is programmed to start at 9.00, you cannot expect to arrive at lunchtime and get a start. You should arrive prior to the advertised scrutineering time to help with the smooth running of the day. This start time should always be found in the relevant section of the Newsletter and in the Supplementary Regulations (Sup Regs) on the website.

Once you have arrived at the venue, the first thing to do is lodge an entry, which will cost you the advertised entry fee. At the time of lodging your entry, your MGCCT membership card will be checked, together with your CAMS license. All competitors are required to have at least a CAMS Level 2 Speed License. (These are available on the day at the current cost.)

The next thing to do is to have your vehicle scrutineered. This will involve a fairly comprehensive check on your car for roadworthiness and safety requirements. Items to be checked will be many and varied, but you should ensure that -

- the bonnet has two independent fastening systems
- all tyres have valve dust caps fitted
- battery must be securely fastened
- a blue triangle 150x150x150 affixed to the car shows the location of the battery or battery isolator.
- seat belts are fitted to comply with CAMs regulations.
- a fire extinguisher of at least 900gms, compliant with CAM's regulation is to be securely fitted by 2 bolts in a suitable location.
- there are no loose items in the cabin or boot of the vehicle.
- you must have an approved helmet, compliant with CAM's regulations.

- it should also be noted that when you venture out onto the track, clothing for drivers must be from ankles to neck to wrists, and that flammable or synthetic material, such as nylon, is not acceptable.
- footwear should also be appropriate for the occasion. Prohibited for example are thongs, sandals and high-heeled shoes.
- once scrutineering has been successfully completed, you are now ready to start.
- before any competitors venture out onto the track, a drivers briefing will be held by the Clerk of the Course. This will outline the format of the day and any last minute information from the organisers.

Following this, all competitors will be given a few familiarisation laps of the circuit before the competition begins in earnest.

MGCCT events are usually held in two sessions. The first involves individual drivers against the clock. Timing is done from the circuit control tower with competitors having one warm-up lap, three timed flying laps, and one slow-down lap. There are usually three cars on the circuit at this time, spaced well apart. Passing is not permitted during these runs, so if you catch the car in front you must slow down and return to the pits where the Clerk of the Course will arrange for you to get another run.

The second session of the event involves Circuit Sprints. These have maximum of four cars on the track at the same time, starting from a staggered grid, with the fastest car off the front row. It must be noted here that unless your performance is deemed to be satisfactory during the timed laps, the Clerk of the Course may not permit you to start in the circuit sprints.

This is just a brief outline of the event. The best thing to do would be to come out and try for yourself. Do not feel self-conscious about not having been before or being slow. Remember that everyone had to start some time, and our more experienced members will always be happy to give you help and advice.

If you would like any more information before an event, do not hesitate to contact the Club Captain or any Committee member.

The Club will run 16 classes in all speed events as listed below:		
CLASS A	Square Riggers (Including MGY)	
CLASS B	All MGAs including Twin Cam	
CLASS C	MG Midgets	
CLASS D	MGB Roadster & GTs - Chrome Bumper	
CLASS E	MGB Roadster & GTs - Rubber Bumper	
CLASS F	MGC Roadster & GTs & Factory V8	
CLASS G	MG Saloons (Post MGY)	
CLASS H	MGF/MGTF MG Post 1990 under 2000.	
CLASS I	Pre MGB Specials	
CLASS J	Post MGA 4 & 6 Cylinder Specials	
CLASS K	Any V8 MG Special	
CLASS L	Sports Cars under 2000cc	
CLASS M	Sports Cars over 2000cc	
CLASS N	Saloons/Coupes under 2000cc	
CLASS O	Saloons/Coupes over 2000cc	
CLASS P	Racing Cars under 2000cc	
CLASS Q	Racing Cars over 2000cc	
CLASS R	MG Post 1990 over 2000cc / RV8	

MG Classes (A to H and R) must comply with MG National meeting guidelines, as published from the previous years National Meeting.

All other MG cars to be placed in respective specials classes (I, J or K).

Any MG bodied cars not powered by an MG motor or MG silhouette motor shall be placed in Class L or M.

Tyres

Any MG from classes A-H running on "Slick or Racing" tyres shall run as a special in classes I, J or K. Any cars from classes L-O running on "Slick or Racing" tyres, shall run in classes P & Q.

Points toward club championship will be allocated at the rate of:

- 1st place in class 4 points
- 2nd place in class 3 points
- 3rd place in class 2 points
- 4th place or lower in class 1 point for each class

The outright MGCCT winner gains 1 bonus point in addition to the class points allocated to them.

Each class needs 4 entries or more to gain maximum 4 points.

Any class with less than 4 entries will only gain maximum 3 points.

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Concours d'Elegance

The Club Concours d'Elegance is an annual event, generally held in November on the same day as the State Annual General Meeting and the Annual Presentation Dinner. It is held on a three year rotational basis in each of the regional centres, i.e. year one - North, year two - South, year three - North-West etc.

All Club members are encouraged to bring their cars to the Concours d'Elegance and take advantage of the opportunity of presenting to the general public a display of "pride of ownership" in their cars of the members of the MG Car Club of Tasmania. After all, the meaning of the word Concours d'Elegance is a "competition of elegance". Even if you do not wish to enter your car for judging, you might like to include it in the display *as* this is a great opportunity to present the Club to passers-by, and also to meet socially with a large number of other members.

All cars should be presented at the Concours d'Elegance site at the appointed hour, where they will be grouped in their various classes. Those who are entering for judging should complete an entry form and pay the nominated entry fee, at which time you will be provided with an identification number which should be affixed to the car. You will also be issued with a judging sheet, on which you should print your name and class, and leave under the windscreen or in a prominent position for the judges.

There are no special requirements to be met; however, cars should be presented in fully rigged condition (tops up, side curtains fitted etc.). The judges will be appointed by the State Committee, and will be looking at specific areas in the car's preparation.

Such areas as: -

- Exterior (panel work and fit, paint, bright work, rubber and seals, windscreen and glass) -
- Interior (seats and trim, floor, soft top, boot, dash and instruments)
- Engine Bay (paintwork, cleanliness, wiring)
- Underside (floor pan/chassis, wheels/tyres, suspension, exhaust)
- Mechanical Condition (lights, steering, pedals, suspension, horn etc.)
- Originality (conformance with original specification including tool kit).

You will find a copy of the Judging Sheet on the website.

All Club members in attendance will also be issued with a voting slip, on which you can record your vote for the car of your choice towards the awarding of the Craig Gillespie Memorial Trophy.

The classes in which entries may be made for Concours d'Elegance shall be:

CLASS 1	Square Rigger Class
CLASS 2	MGA/MGA Coupe/MGA Twin Cam
CLASS 3	MGB/MGC/MGBV8 - GTs
CLASS 4	MGB/MGC - Roadsters Mk 1 & 2
CLASS 5	MGB - Roadsters BL and Later
CLASS 6	MG Midgets
CLASS 7	MG Saloons (Post MGY)
CLASS 8	MG Specials (Includes any non-factory V8) 100 points originality in outright judging
CLASS 9	MGF/MGTF/RV8
CLASS 10	Non Marque Sports Cars (Including Sprites)
CLASS 11	Limited production non marque sports cars and open racing cars
CLASS 12	Post 1980 MG Saloons
CLASS 13	Post 2010 New Era MG Saloons and SUV's

May Trial

A particular and peculiar Club tradition is the annual May Trial, rarely to be held in May. In recent years this event has generally been run in August (i.e. best month of the year to compete in an MG).

The May Trial is a touring assembly, not a speed event, and the major prize, a small trophy, goes to the navigator of the best placed car. There are no classes. Power etc. is not considered a factor in determining the result.

The Club regulations for car preparation simply require normal safety requirements for road registration. It is not necessary to have roll cage, sump guard etc. In fact, the only usual equipment necessary is - pen/pencil, clip board, and a calculator (very handy, especially if your car has a mph speedo/trip meter). A grid roamer/Halda or special maps are not necessary. The official map for the event is provided to all entrants by the director.

The format of the May Trial will vary from year to year, but the most common style of required navigation does not require "special" map reading ability (i.e. using grid references etc.). The instructions may be issued to each competitor in total at the commencement of the event, or may be issued at the end of a section. The entrant must find the correct route to the control at the end of the section by finding a number of "vias" (i.e. intersections or identifying locations such as railway tracks/power lines), and not using "exclusions" (i.e. points, roads, intersections etc.)

The over-riding requirement is to find the shortest route which complies with the vias and exclusions as dictated by the director. Points are lost for using wrong roads, being late into a control (and in some instances, being early into a control), or for coming into a control from the wrong direction.

Competitors may also be required by the director to gather information en route. Often this information is put onto a "P" board ("Passage") nailed to a tree/*power* pole etc., and passing on this information at the end of the event proves that competitors have actually covered the required course.

Also, a director may require competitors to average a specific speed over one section, either for the entire section ("Maintain average speed") or by simply computing distance covered in that section (i.e. Section is 49 kms long: required average speed is 75 kph; how long should this section take?")

This is a fun event, so come along and give it a try. Tradition has this event moving (generally) around the state - In the south one year, north the next, north-west the third.

Economy Run

1. Two classes for points allocation – one for carbureted vehicles and one for non-carbureted vehicles. Results shall be calculated on the basis of Litres/100km/Tonne over a prescribed course.

2. Vehicles with a kerb weight in excess of three tonnes are not eligible to enter this event.

3. All entrants' vehicles must take at least 9 litres of fuel prior to the start.

4. Cars must be present at least 30 minutes prior to being filled with fuel.

5. Each vehicle must have its initial and final fill from the same pump.

6. Permitted fuel types shall be:

a) Lead replacement petrol

b) Unleaded petrol

c) Premium unleaded petrol

7. The organisers may run a concurrent class for diesel powered cars if two or more members indicate in writing 14 days prior to the event their desire to enter diesel powered vehicles.

The calculation for determining the winner of the economy run is:

Score = (FE/CW) * 1000

Where:

- FE is the fuel economy in litres/100km's
- CW is the sum of the car's kerb weight and passengers in kg's

Points toward club championship will be allocated at the rate of (for the drivers only):

1st place - 4 points 2nd place - 3 points 3rd place - 2 points 4th place or lower - 1 point

Any other MGCCT crew member receives 1 point.

General

The foregoing descriptions of events are extracts from articles presented in the Club newsletter from time to time. They are intended as a guide only and any later amendments or alterations may be required by the organisers.

If any doubts arise, members should check with any committee member

Sub-Centre Runs

Social events are not to be run on days allocated for club competition events, unless run in conjunction with that event.

Championship Points

By entering the competition in an event as a member of the MGCCT, an entrant is eligible for Club Championship points and shall be awarded same as determined by finishing position and event scorings.

Late Arrivals

At any event conducted by the MGCCT under these rules, cars not entered prior to drivers briefing will be allowed to run at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course, but will not be eligible for Club Championship points.

More Than One Event per Club Day

Where a Club competition day is made up of more than one individual event, the total point allocation for the day shall be as per each event run.

Borrowed Cars

To be eligible for full Club competition points, a person competing in a motor car must be the legal owner, the spouse of the legal owner, a joint legal owner, or a member of the legal owner's immediate family residing at the same usual place of abode. Any member competing in a borrowed car under any other circumstances shall be awarded one point, and shall be ineligible for place points.

Noise Restrictions

Symmons Plains and Baskerville motor racing circuits are subject to maximum noise levels for all competing vehicles. Mufflers must be fitted, and noise meters may be used.

Appeals Against Classification

Members who feel aggrieved about classification of their (or other) vehicles may, in the first instance, appeal to the full committee of the MGCCT. Submissions must be made in writing accompanied with supporting evidence.

Club Championship Year

The Club championship year will be deemed to be from the 1^{st} of November to the 31^{st} of October.

Clubman, Competition and Concours trophies are presented at the annual Awards dinner which is usually held in November.

Perpetual Trophies

W H Allison Trophy - North West Clubman

This trophy is awarded to the North West Club member who has accumulated the most social over the course of the Club championship year.

Max Freeland Memorial Trophy - Northern Clubman

This trophy is awarded to the Northern Club member who has accumulated the most social points over the course of the Club championship year.

Robyn and David Wells Trophy - Southern Clubman

This trophy is awarded to the Southern Club member who has accumulated the most social points over the course of the Club championship year.

C C Bloomfield Trophy - 1st Year Clubman

This trophy is awarded to the member in his/her first full year of membership, who has accumulated the most social and competition points over the course of the Club championship year.

Arthur Twining Memorial Trophy - Clubman

This memorial trophy is awarded to the Club member who has accumulated the most social and competition points over the course of the Club championship year.

D R Burgess Trophy - Motorkhana Champion

This trophy is awarded to the Club member who has accumulated the most competition points in club sanctioned motorkhana's over the course of the Club championship year.

David Cooper Trophy - Best MG in Concours d'Elegance

This trophy is awarded to the owner of the car adjudged to be best MG vehicle in MG Classes 1-9 and 12, at the annual Club Concours d'Elegance.

Craig Gillespie Memorial Trophy - People Choice in Concours d'Elegance

This trophy is awarded to the owner of the car voted to be best presented car by attendees, at the annual Club Concours d'Elegance.

Stroud Trophy - Outright in Concours d'Elegance

This trophy is awarded to the owner of the car adjudged to be best outright, at the annual Club Concours d'Elegance.

D B Roberts Trophy - Square Rigger Champion

This trophy applies to all "Square Rigger" MGs (that is, prior to the MGA), but excluding Z type Magnettes. The trophy shall be awarded to the highest point scoring "Square Rigger" that has competed in two or more events during the Club year. To qualify, a "Square Rigger" must be powered by an XPEG, XPAG, or pre-war type motor. A T type special, provided it closely complies with the above criteria, will be considered by the State Committee as being eligible upon application.

The Nick Lockyer Memorial Trophy – Clubman Class Champion

This trophy is awarded to the highest point scoring vehicle which must broadly follow the CAMS Group 2C - Clubman Sports 1300 guidelines, i.e. front engine, rear wheel drive, open body, with front guards separate from the body. General freedom is given to the engine type, capacity, and dimensions of the vehicle.

The Craig Twining Trophy – Junior Champion

This trophy is awarded to the highest point scoring junior member during the Club year. A junior member is defined as being under eighteen years of age as at 31st October, or at the commencement of the Club championship year, whichever is the sooner. The junior trophy excludes any road events, i.e. May trial, economy run etc., where a full road license is applicable.

The Rick Jones Memorial Trophy

This trophy is awarded by the State Committee to a driver who, in their opinion, has done something special or unusual at the first Symmons Plains Club Day held during the Club championship year.

Bob Moore Hillclimb Trophy

This trophy is awarded to the highest point scoring driver in club sanctioned hillclimb events over the course of the Club championship year.

Judy Rowbottom Memorial Trophy - Lady Champion

This trophy is awarded to the highest point scoring lady driver in club sanctioned competition events over the course of the Club championship year.

Barry Harbottle Trophy - Club Champion

This trophy is awarded to the highest point scoring driver in club sanctioned competition events over the course of the Club championship year.

John Waterer Trophy - Best Performance by an MG

This trophy is awarded to the highest point scoring driver of an MG vehicle in MG Classes (A to H and R), in club sanctioned competition events over the course of the Club championship year.

Russell Reynolds Trophy - Official

This trophy is awarded to the member gaining the most points for officiating at events. One point is allocated for officiating at any competition event run by the MG Car Club, including the Tasmanian Super Series.

Norm Knott Trophy - Navigator

This trophy is awarded to the navigator of the winning car competing in the May Trial.

MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc. Constitution

Name and Objects

- 1. (1) The Club shall be known as the 'MG Car Club of Tasmania Inc.' hereinafter referred to as the 'Club'.
 - (2) The Club is an affiliate of THE M.G. CAR CLUB LIMITED incorporated under the Companies Acts of the UK Parliament and is licensed by that Company to use the name and title MG Car Club and the MG symbol in accordance with terms which may be set out in an Affiliation Agreement entered into from time to time between the Club and that Company.
 - (3) In the event of any provision herein conflicting with any provision of an Affiliation Agreement between the Club and the Company, the Club shall not to the extent of such conflict, be bound by any relevant provision of such Affiliation Agreement.
- 2. The clauses comprising this Constitution are in substitution of the *Model rules for an association* contained in the Associations Incorporation (Model Rules) Regulations 2007 and accordingly those Model Rules shall not apply to the Club.
- 3. (1) The objects of the Club are to -
 - (a) foster interest in the restoration, maintenance and use of MG motor vehicles;
 - (b) promote all forms of motor sport for the benefit of members;
 - (c) provide various forms of competition and social entertainment; and
 - (d) generally advance the opportunities of members who so engage themselves.
 - (2) The Club may do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the basic objects of the Club as stated in sub-clause (1), including the -
 - (a) purchase, taking on lease or exchange, and the hiring or otherwise acquiring of any real or personal property;
 - (b) construction, maintenance and alteration of buildings or works;
 - (c) buying, selling and supplying of, and dealing in, goods of all kinds;

- (d) publication of newsletters, periodicals, books, leaflets or other documents in printed, electronic or other form;
- (e) purchase or acquisition of all or any of the property, or other assets, liabilities and undertakings of any association with which the Club is amalgamated in accordance with the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 1964;
- (f) establishment and support of any other association formed for any of the basic objects of the Club;
- (g) borrowing and other raising of funds, and acceptance of gifts; and
- (h) investment, subject to the provisions of the Trustee Act 1898, of any monies not immediately required for the Club's objects.

State Committee

- 4. The administration of the Club shall be in the hands of a State Committee, hereinafter referred to as the 'Committee' which shall consist of officers namely a President, a Vice President, a Club Captain, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Newsletter Editor, an Immediate Past President, and a Membership Officer; and two General Committee Members.
- 5. The Committee, with the exception of the Immediate Past President, shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting of the Club.
- 6. In addition, on the Committee there shall be one member to represent each Sub-Centre of the Club, who resides in that Sub-Centre area and has been appointed by the Sub-Centre Committee from time to time, and who shall have equal rights with other Committee members.
- 7. The Committee shall meet at least once per month at a place appointed by the Committee or by means of a teleconference between various places attended by Committee members.
- 8. No meeting of the Committee shall be convened unless -
 - (a) there are in attendance at least 50% plus one of the number of the elected Committee members (adding one half if the 50% is not a whole number); and
 - (b) those in attendance include two of the following: the President (who shall be Chairman), the Vice President (who shall be Chairman in the absence of the President), the Secretary and the Treasurer.

- **9.** (1) Minutes of proceedings at meetings of the Committee shall be taken by the Secretary, or by some other Committee member delegated for that purpose by the Committee, and recorded in the Minute Book of the Club.
 - (2) Sufficient copies of the recorded minutes shall be made and distributed to Committee members, and to the Secretary of each Sub-Centre in accordance with the provisions of Clause 56.
- **10.** (1) Each member of the Committee shall, subject to sub-clause (2), remain in office until immediately after the next succeeding Annual General Meeting, when he or she shall retire, but shall be eligible for reelection provided that a retiring President shall not be eligible to nominate for more than two consecutive terms as President.
 - (2) The office of a Committee member becomes vacant if the member -
 - (a) dies;
 - (b) becomes bankrupt or compounds with creditors;
 - (c) becomes of unsound mind;
 - (d) resigns in writing addressed to the Secretary;
 - (e) ceases to be a resident in the State;

(f) fails without leave granted by the Committee to attend three consecutive meetings of the Committee;

(g) ceases to be a member of the Club;

(h) is expelled or retired by a resolution of two-thirds of the Committee.

- (3) A nominee for the position of President shall have effectively served twelve months as a Committee member, or satisfy the Committee, before nomination, that he or she is a suitable person for the position of President.
- **11.** Any casual vacancy in the Committee however occurring, (except in the position of Immediate Past President and any representative of a Sub-Centre), shall be filled by a person nominated by the remaining members of the Committee and, upon acceptance of the nomination, the nominee shall hold office in accordance with and subject to Clause 10 (1).

Election of Members of the State Committee

12. (1) The election of officers and General Committee Members is to be held at the Annual General Meeting and only Full Members, Associate Members and Life Members can be nominated for membership of the Committee.

(2) Nominations of candidates for election to the Committee at an Annual General Meeting shall be -

- (a) made in writing signed by two members of the Club and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate; and
- (b) delivered to the Secretary of the Club by no later than the date and time fixed for the holding of that Annual General Meeting.

(a) the candidates nominated are taken to be elected; and

(b) further nominations are to be received at the Annual General Meeting.

- (4) If the number of nominations is equal to the number of vacancies on the Committee to be filled, the persons nominated are taken to be elected.
- (5) If the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies on the Committee to be filled, a ballot is to be held.
- (6) If the number of further nominations received at the Annual General Meeting exceeds the number of remaining vacancies on the Committee to be filled, a ballot is to be held in relation to those further nominations.
- (7) A ballot for the election of officers and General Committee Members is to be conducted in the manner determined by the Chairman.

Executive Committee

13. (1) The President, Vice President, the Treasurer and Secretary constitute the Executive Committee.

- (2) The Executive Committee may issue instructions to the Public Officer and any servants of the Club in matters of urgency relating to management of the Club's affairs during the periods between meetings of the Committee.
- (3) The Executive Committee shall make a full report to the next meeting of the Committee on any instructions issued under sub-clause (2).

Sub-Committees

- **14.** (1) The Committee may, by resolution, create one or more sub-committees to undertake or administer designated matters in pursuance of the objectives of the Club and appoint a person to act as chairman of each such sub-committee.
 - (2) A sub-committee shall include at least two members of the Committee, may include other members of the Club, and may include persons who are not members of the Club.
 - (3) No meeting of a sub-committee shall be conducted unless there is present a quorum of no less than one half of its membership, or there are present both members if the sub-committee is comprised of only two persons.
 - (4) Each sub-committee shall provide every monthly Committee meeting with a report, including a financial report where appropriate, on the activities of the sub-committee.
- **15.** (1) If required to meet the purposes for which a sub-committee is established, the Committee may cause to be opened a bank account in accordance with clause 39 and such bank account shall be operated subject to that clause.
 - (2) The members of the sub-committee shall cause any monies received by the sub-committee to be deposited, as soon as is practicable, into an account operated by the sub-committee.

- (3) The Committee shall appoint the Treasurer and one or more members of the sub-committee to authorise payments and other withdrawals from any account of the sub-committee either by -
 - (a) signing cheques or other documents that enable financial institutions to make payments as instructed by such documents, and/or
 - (b) accessing computerised systems that allow the balances and transactions of accounts in the name of the sub-committee to be viewed and can be used to give effect to electronic transfers of funds out of, or between, those accounts.
- (4) Any payment or withdrawal made under sub-clause (3) shall be authorised by at least two of the persons that the Committee has authorised to make such payments and withdrawals.
- (5) A Sub-Committee is dissolved by resolution of the Committee or when the purpose for which it was created comes to an end, whereupon any accounts with financial institutions shall be closed and any balances transferred to the Treasurer.

Procedure at Meetings

- **16.** (1) On any question arising at a general meeting or of the Committee or of a sub-committee each member entitled to vote thereat, including the chairman, has one vote only.
 - (2) Notwithstanding sub-clause (1), in the case of an equality of votes, the chairman has a second or casting vote.
 - (3) Questions arising may be determined on voices, or if demanded by a member or at the discretion of the chairman, on a show of hands.
 - (4) A declaration by the chairman that a resolution has been lost or carried unanimously or by a particular majority together with an entry to that effect in the minutes of that meeting is evidence of that fact unless a poll is demanded on or before that declaration.

Disclosure of Interests

- 17. (1) If a member of the Committee or of a sub-committee has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in a matter considered, or about to be considered, at a meeting of the Committee or sub-committee, the member is to, as soon as practicable after the relevant facts come to the member's knowledge, disclose the nature of the interest and that disclosure is to be recorded in the minutes of that meeting.
 - (2) A member who has disclosed an interest under sub-clause (1) may, by a resolution of the other members present, be required to leave the meeting for the period of time that the matter in which the member has disclosed an interest is considered.
 - (3) No member of the Committee or a sub-committee as referred to in subclause (1) shall vote as a member thereof in respect of such matter.

Membership of the Club

- 18. (1) Membership of the Club shall be in accordance with the following categories -
 - (a) <u>Full Member</u> to be eligible a person shall be the owner of an MG car of any type or model.
 - (b) Associate Member to be eligible a person shall be -
 - (i) the owner of a 'sports car' as defined at the discretion of the Committee, or
 - (ii) a former Full Member who upon renewing membership was no longer eligible to be a full member; or
 - (iii) a former Associate Member who is no longer the owner of a sports car.
 - (c) <u>Social Member</u> To be eligible a person shall be known to a Full or Associate member of the Club.
 - (d) Junior Member a person under the age of 18 years who has attained the age of 12 years and is, in the opinion of the Committee, directly connected with a Full, Associate, Social, or Life member. A Junior Member shall be eligible to compete in events organised by the Club at the discretion of and subject to any limitations or requirements imposed by the Club Captain, provided that no Junior Member shall be eligible to compete in an event, unless -

- (i) an indemnity is first provided to the Club, by a Club Member who is also the parent or guardian of such Junior Member, in a form approved by the Committee, and
- (ii) the Junior Member has a current drivers licence where the event requires such licence to be held by competitors.
- (e) <u>Life Member</u> a member on whom membership for life has been bestowed by the Club on recommendation of the Committee.
- (f) <u>Honorary Member</u> a title conferred on a person, for a specific duration only, at the discretion of the Committee.
- (2) Notwithstanding the eligibility criteria contained in sub-clause (1) -
 - (a) a person who is the partner of a person who has been admitted as a Full Member, an Associate Member or a Social Member, is eligible to be admitted to the same respective category of membership as his or her partner; and
 - (b) a person who is the partner of a Life Member is eligible to be admitted as a Full Member.
- (3) A member, who is not a Life or Honorary Member, may apply in writing for a variation of membership category following a change of circumstances such as -
 - (a) a Full Member no longer owning an MG car;
 - (b) an Associate Member becoming the owner of an MG car;
 - (b) a Social Member becoming the owner of a sports or MG car; and
 - (c) a Junior Member attaining the age of 18.
- (4) The Committee may, upon receiving an application for a variation in membership category together with the payment of any additional subscription applicable to such variation, approve the variation whereupon the Membership Officer shall enter the variation in the register of members.
- (5) the number of Social Members shall not exceed twenty percent of the total of Full Members and Associate Members at any time.
- 19. A nomination of a person for membership of the Club shall be -
 - (a) made in writing showing the name of the person being nominated (and partner if joint nomination), place of residence, and addresses

or numbers for purposes of postal, telephone and electronic communications, and in the case of a junior nominee, the date of birth;

- (b) signed by a Life, Full or Associate member of the Club;
- (c) accompanied by the written consent of the person nominated;
- $\left(d\right)$ submitted together with the applicable nomination fee and/or subscription; and
- (e) lodged with the Membership Officer of the Club.
- **20.** The Committee may refuse any application for any type of membership without assigning a reason.
- **21.** (1) Upon a nomination being approved by the Committee, the Membership Officer shall notify the nominee in writing of the approval for membership of the Club and, upon receipt of the relevant subscription and any applicable nomination fee, shall enter the nominee's name and other related details in the register of members, whereupon the nominee becomes a member of the Club.
 - (2) Thereafter members shall be responsible for advising the Membership Officer of changes of their particulars including name, membership category eligibility (arising from car type ownership), place of residence, and addresses or numbers for postal, telephone and electronic communications.
- **22.** Nomination fees for memberships, initial subscriptions on approval of memberships, and subsequent annual subscriptions, shall be determined by the Committee and may vary for different membership categories and memberships of individuals and memberships jointly with partners, provided always that no subscriptions or nomination fees shall apply to an Honorary Member or a Life Member.
- **23.** Subject to Clauses 12(1), 18(1)(d) and 31(1), all members shall have equal rights conferred upon them by their membership of the Club irrespective of their membership category.
- **24.** A right, privilege or obligation of a person by virtue of membership of the Club, is not capable of being transferred to another person, and terminates upon the cessation of membership.
- **25.** (1) Any member whose annual subscription is not paid within one month of the due date for payment, shall cease to be a member.

- (2) If the former member wishes to be re-admitted to the Club, the provisions of this Constitution relating to admission of new members shall apply.
- (3) The Committee may at its discretion waive the provisions of subclauses (1) and (2) upon payment in full by that member of the outstanding membership fees within two months of the due date for payment.
- 26. A member may at any time resign in writing from the Club.

Expulsion of Members

- **27.** (1) The Committee may expel a member from the Club, if in the opinion of the Committee the member is guilty of conduct detrimental to the interests of the Club.
 - (2) If the Committee expels a member of the Club, the Secretary, without undue delay, is to cause to be served on the member a notice in writing -
 - (a) stating that the Committee has expelled the member; and
 - (b) specifying grounds for the expulsion; and
 - (c) informing the member of a right to appeal, under Clause 28, against the expulsion.
 - (3) The expulsion of a member under sub-clause (1) does not take effect until whichever of the following is the later date -
 - (a) the expiration of 14 days after the service on the member of a notice under sub-clause (2);
 - (b) if the member exercises the right of appeal under Clause 28, the conclusion of the special general meeting convened to hear the appeal.
- **28.** (1) A member may appeal against an expulsion under Clause 27 by delivering or sending by post to the Secretary of the Club, within 14 days after the service of a notice under Clause 27, a requisition in writing demanding the convening of a special general meeting for the purpose of hearing the appeal.

- (2) On receipt of the requisition -
 - (a) the Secretary is to immediately notify the Committee of its receipt; and
 - (b) the Committee is to cause a special general meeting to be held within 21 days after the date on which the requisition is received.
- (3) At the special general meeting convened for the purpose of this Clause
 - (a) no business other than the question of the expulsion is to be transacted;
 - (b) the Committee shall place before the meeting details of the grounds for the expulsion and the Committee's reasons for the expulsion;
 - (c) the expelled member is to be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting but shall not vote;
 - (d) the members present are to vote by secret ballot on the question whether the expulsion should be lifted or confirmed;
 - (e) if the majority of members present vote in favour of lifting the expulsion it shall be lifted and the member is entitled to continue as a member; but
 - (f) if the majority of members present vote in favour of confirming the expulsion the expelled member ceases to be a member of the Club.

General Meetings and Voting

- **29.** (1) A reference to 'general meeting' includes the Annual General Meeting.
 - (2) No general meeting shall be held unless three of the following are present, that is to say, President; Vice President; Club Captain; Secretary; Treasurer; and a quorum of 15 members entitled to vote is present.
 - (3) 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 is to be transacted at the adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.

- (4) If a meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, the notice of the adjourned meeting is to be given in the same manner as the notice of the original meeting.
- **30.** The President, or in the absence of the President, the Vice President, shall preside as Chairman at every general meeting of the Club.

31. Only Full Members, Associate Members, and Life Members are eligible to vote at general meetings.

- **32.** Proxy voting is acceptable in any motion put to a general meeting, provided that the person or persons purporting to have such votes recorded shall first satisfy the meeting that
 - (a) they have a signed authority from the absent member; and
 - (b) the absent member is unable by reason of distance or other relevant circumstance to attend, and provided always that proxy voting is prohibited for the purposes of voting upon special resolutions.
- **33.** Notice of general meetings setting forth the date, place and time of any such meeting, together with an agenda, shall be provided to members at least 14 days prior to the date of the holding of the meeting.

Annual General Meetings

- **34.** (1) The Club is to hold an Annual General Meeting each year on any day during the month of October, November or December that the Committee determines.
 - (2) The ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting is to -
 - (a) confirm the minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting and any other general meeting held since that Meeting;
 - (b) receive from the Committee and auditor of the Club reports on the transactions and financial position of the Club during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) elect the Officers and General Committee members of the Club; and
 - (d) appoint the auditor for the ensuing financial year.

(3) The Annual General Meeting may transact special business particulars of which have been included in the agenda supplied to members together with the notice of the Annual General Meeting.

Special General Meetings

35. (1) The Committee may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a Special General Meeting of the Club.

- (2) The Committee shall, on the requisition in writing of not less than ten members, convene a Special General Meeting of the Club, provided that -
 - (a) such requisition states the objects of the meeting, is signed by the requisitionists, and is deposited with the Secretary, and
 - (b) if the Committee does not cause a Special General Meeting to be held within twenty-one days from the date of the depositing of such a requisition, the requisitionists or any of them may convene the meeting, but any meeting so convened shall not be held after three months from the date of the deposit of the requisition.
- (3) A Special General Meeting held in accordance with sub-clause (2) (b) shall be convened in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which such meetings are convened by the Committee.

Income and Property of the Club

- **36.** (1) The Income and Property of the Club, however derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Club in accordance with Clause 3 and no portion thereof shall be paid directly or indirectly to any member of the Club except by way of -
 - (a) remuneration in return for services actually rendered to the Club, or for goods supplied to the Club by the servant or member in the ordinary course of business, or
 - (b) interest at the rate not exceeding 7.25% on monies lent to the Club by the servant or member, or
 - (c) a reasonable and proper sum by way of rent for premises let to the Club by the servant or member.
 - (2) The Club shall not appoint a person who is a member of the Committee to an office in the gift of the Club to the holder of which

there is payable any remuneration by way of salary, fees or allowance, or pay to any such person any remuneration or other benefit, other than repayment of out-of-pocket expenses.

37. Upon the winding up of the Club no member shall by reason only of membership of the Club accept, receive or be entitled to any share in whole or part of the assets of the Club, and any surplus assets shall be distributed to one or more incorporated organisations having similar objects to the Club and whose rules prohibit the distribution of property and payment of income to members.

Finance and Accounts

- **38.** The financial year of the Club is the period beginning on the 1^{st} day of July in one year and ending on the 30^{th} day of June in the next following year.
- **39.** (1) The Committee may cause to be opened such account or accounts, in the name of the Club, with any financial institution that is a bank, a credit union or a building society, as it determines.
 - (2) The Treasurer of the Club shall cause any monies received by the Club to be deposited, as soon as is practicable, into an account operated by the Club. Provided that any monies received by a sub-committee or a sub-centre shall be deposited by the treasurer of such sub-committee or sub-centre into an account opened by the Club for purposes of receiving such monies.
 - (3) The Committee shall appoint the Club Treasurer who together with one or more members of the Committee, or any sub-committee or subcentre, may authorise payments and other withdrawals from any account of the Club either by -
 - (a) signing cheques or other documents that enable financial institutions to make payments as instructed by such documents, and/or
 - (b) accessing computerised systems that allow the balances and transactions of accounts in the name of the Club to be viewed and can be used to give effect to electronic transfers of funds out of, or between, those accounts.
 - (4) Any payment or withdrawals under sub-clause (3) shall be authorised by at least two of the appointed members.

- 40. (1) True accounts are to be kept of -
 - (a) all monies received and expended by the Club and the matter in respect of which the receipt or expenditure takes place, and
 - (b) the assets and liabilities of the Club.
 - (2) The accounts are to be open to inspection by members of the Club subject to any reasonable restrictions as to the time and manner of inspecting the Committee may impose.
 - (3) The Treasurer shall cause all general records and accounting records of receipts and expenditure connected with the operations and business of the Club, to be kept in the form and manner as the Committee directs and those records shall be stored at such place as the Committee determines.
 - (4) The Treasurer shall provide every meeting of the Committee with a report on the financial activity and the financial position of the Club in such form as the Committee directs.
 - (5) After the end of each financial year the Treasurer shall cause to be prepared, from the accounts, an annual financial report including statements of the Club's income and expenditure during the year and its financial position as at the end of that year. The financial report shall include notes, explaining the basis of preparation of the statements and, where appropriate, providing further information on certain disclosures in the statements.
 - (6) The annual financial report prepared in accordance with sub-clause (5) shall be presented to members of the Club at the Annual General Meeting following the end of the financial year to which the report relates.
- **41.** (1) Except as expressly authorised by resolution of the Committee, no member of the Club shall have any power to contract on behalf of, or pledge the credit of the Club or the members of the Club.
 - (2) The Committee has no power to contract on behalf of, or pledge the credit of, the Club or the members of the Club beyond the amount of the Club's monetary assets, without a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of all members voting at a general meeting of the Club.

Auditor and Audit of Accounts

- **42.** (1) At each Annual General Meeting the members present are to appoint a person as auditor of the Club and that auditor is to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting and be eligible for reappointment.
 - (2) The auditor may only be removed from office by special resolution.
 - (3) If an auditor is not appointed at an Annual General Meeting, or a casual vacancy occurs in the office of auditor, the Committee is to appoint an auditor for the current financial year.
- **43.** (1) The auditor is to examine the accounts of the Club for the financial year and may -
 - (a) have access to the Club's accounts, books, records, vouchers and other documents whether in written or electronic form;
 - (b) require from any member of the Committee, Sub-Committee or Sub-Centre Committee, and any servants of the Club, any information and explanations considered necessary for the performance of the auditor's duties; and
 - (c) employ persons to assist in auditing the accounts of the Club.
 - (2) Upon completion of the audit, the auditor is to issue to the members of the Club a written report as to whether in the auditor's opinion the annual financial report including statements of the Club's income and expenditure during the year and its financial position as at the end of that year, together with any notes thereto, fairly present the financial transactions during the year and financial position at the end of that year.
 - (3) The auditor's report may include other matters relating to the audit and shall be provided to members of the Club, together with the annual financial report for the financial year, at the next Annual General Meeting following the end of that financial year.

Sub-Centres

- **44.** A Sub-Centre is an administrative unit of the Club, set up for a specified area to promote the Club and recruit new members and to provide, where possible and appropriate -
 - (a) social and sporting events to members in that area; and
 - (b) contact and support for local meetings of members in that area.
- **45.** (1) The Committee may form or abolish one (or more) Sub-Centres after recommending to, and receiving approval from, a general meeting of the Club.

 - (3) Each Sub-Centre Committee shall be elected initially at a meeting of members in the area (area meeting) and subsequently at annual area meetings.
 - (4) Each Sub-Centre Committee shall from time to time appoint a Sub-Centre member to be the Sub-Centre's representative on the State Committee.
 - (5) Sub-Centre Committees shall act in accordance with any lawful requirements of the Committee.
- **46.** (1) All members who reside in an area as defined by the Committee and administered by a Sub-Centre shall be members of that Sub-Centre.

(2) Membership of a Sub-Centre shall not prejudice in any way an individual's rights as a member of the Club.

47. (1) Area meetings of Sub-Centre members may be called at the discretion of a Sub-Centre Committee by giving at least two weeks notice of such meetings to members of the Sub-Centre.

(2) A quorum for area meetings is 10 members entitled to vote attending from the area of the Sub-Centre.

- (3) Members who are not members of a particular Sub-Centre may attend and speak at that Sub-Centre's area meeting but may not vote.
- **48.** Clauses 7 to 12 relating to the Committee shall, as far as they are relevant, apply to a Sub-Centre Committee.
- **49.** If required to meet the purposes for which a Sub-Centre is established, the Committee may cause to be opened a bank account in accordance with clause 39 and such bank account shall be operated subject to that clause. Provided that any payment in excess of \$500 shall be subject to being first passed for payment at a meeting of the Committee.
- **50.** A Sub-Centre may set aside funds by way of a deposit in a separate bank account or making an investment for purposes of -
 - (a) establishing a Sub-Centre Building Fund for the purchase, building, or otherwise acquiring and equipping of clubrooms or facilities in the area administered by the Sub-Centre for the benefit of all members of the Club, or
 - (b) if recommended by the relevant Sub-Centre Committee, for use by the Club in such manner as may be recommended by that Sub-Centre and approved by the Committee.
- **51.** Each Sub-Centre Committee shall provide every monthly Committee meeting with a report, including a financial report where appropriate, on the activities of the Sub-Centre.
- **52.** Sub-Centres may receive an annual grant from the Club together with advice as to the conditions, if any, as to the purpose of the grant.
- **53.** All books, records, accounts and other such records shall be forwarded to the Club Treasurer upon demand, and shall be forwarded to the Club Treasurer immediately at the end of each financial year for the purpose of auditing thereof.

Seal of Club

- **54.** (1) The seal of the Club is to be in the form of a rubber stamp, inscribed with the name of the Club encircling the word "Seal".
 - (2) The seal of the Club is not to be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the Committee.
 - (3) The Affixing of the seal is to be attested by the signatures of
 - (a) two members of the Committee; or
 - (b) one member of the Committee and any other person the Committee may appoint for that purpose.

Office of the Club

55. The office of the Club is to be at such place as the Committee determines.

General

- **56.** A member is deemed to have sufficient notice of a document which is given to the member personally, or forwarded to the member by pre-paid mail, or sent electronically by facsimile or by e-mail, in each case in accordance with such details relevant to the member as are recorded in the register of members, and the document is deemed to have been received by the member on the second business day next following the day of posting or electronic sending, respectively.
- **57.** (1) Any member competing in, viewing or assisting in the organisation of any motoring competition, shall do so at the member's own risk, and the member shall indemnify the Club against all actions, claims, costs and demands in respect of any damage to the member's vehicles and injuries to the member's person.
 - (2) Such undertakings by each Club member shall be implied in the application for membership as forming part of the offer of membership to the Club by each prospective member or applicant.
- **58.** The Committee may present, or invite any other person to present, a trophy or trophies for any motoring event or series of events or for any other purpose connected with the Club.

59. The method of scoring points for any annual trophy shall be decided by the Committee.

60. This Constitution may be amended by a special resolution passed by a majority of no less than three-quarters of members of the Club, entitled under this Constitution to vote, as may be present in person at a general meeting of which notice specifying the proposed changes to the Constitution by a special resolution, was given in accordance with this Constitution.

NOTES:

Competition Flags



BLUE Overtaking signal



GREEN All clear ahead



WHITE Slow moving vehicle or service vehicle on the track ahead





Warning flag, displayed to a driver behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner



YELLOW

Danger ahead – slow and be prepared to take avoiding action



BLACK WITH ORANGE DISC

Mechanical problems: stop at pit on the next lap



YELLOW WITH RED STRIPES

Deterioration of adhesion / slippery surface ahead



BLACK Enter pit lane on the next lap



RED Stopping the race or practice





Finishing flag – end of race or practice