

THE CASTLEMAINE HISTORIC VEHICLE CLUB INCORPORATED

CONSTITUTION OBJECTS.

1. TITLE:-

The Club shall be known as the Castlemaine Historic Vehicle Club Incorporated- hereinafter referred to as “The Club”.

2. HISTORIC VEHICLES:

An historic vehicle shall be one which fulfills the requirements of one or more of the following definitions:-

- (a) A veteran motor car is any motor car the manufacture of which was completed before the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.
- (b) A vintage motor car is any motor car the manufacture of which was completed between the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty.
- (c) A post vintage thoroughbred motor car is any motor car manufactured between the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine which in the opinion of the Committee of the Club for the time being embodies a high standard of design, construction and finish.
- (d) A classic motor car is any motor car manufactured between the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and forty-two.
- (e) Any vehicle of special interest which is not included in the classification referred to above and which is more than twenty-five years old and is in the opinion of the Committee for the time being an historic vehicle.

3. MEMBERSHIP:-

Any person who in the opinion of the Committee for the time being of the Club is a person interested in historic vehicles is eligible for election as a full member of the Club. No such person shall be admitted as a member of the Club until such time as he/she has paid the entrance fee and/or the first annual subscription then applying.

Membership shall consist of:-

Family or adult members:

Student members – full time students up to the age of eighteen years:

Honorary and/or Life members and any other type of member as shall be determined by the Committee.

When a member’s annual subscription becomes thirty days overdue a certified letter will be sent to the member informing him/her that they have thirty days to pay it to the Treasurer together with the cost of the certified mail letter.

If after thirty days the Treasurer has not received the subscription then the person concerned is no longer a member of the Club and is no longer entitled to use their vehicle on red plates.

4. SUBSCRIPTIONS:-

The amount of annual subscription shall be determined from time to time by the Committee of the Club.

Subscriptions to be paid annually and shall be due and payable in advance on a date decided upon by the Committee.

5. EXPULSION:-

Any member who in the opinion of the Committee of the Club is guilty of conduct which is injurious to the character of the Club and its members may be expelled from the Club by three-quarters of the members present at a general meeting voting in favour of such expulsion.

6. PROPERTY AND FUNDS:-

All property and funds of the Club shall be under the control of the Committee and no member by reason of his membership shall have any transmissible or assignable interests in any property of the Club except when upon the dissolution of the Club by three-quarters of the members voting at an Extraordinary General Meeting called for the purpose the property and funds of the Club after all debts and liabilities have been discharged shall be distributed amongst the members of the Club on a pro-rata basis according to the total amount of subscriptions paid by individual members to the Club. In the event of the winding up or the cancellation of the Incorporation of the Club the assets of the Club shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

7. CLUB BADGES:-

The Committee shall cause a Club badge and other Club insignia as may be nominated to be manufactured and to be available to financial members of the Club on payment of the prescribed fees.

8. REGISTER:-

A register of members shall be kept together with details of historic vehicles owned by such members which shall be classified in accordance with the decisions of the Committee.

9. INSPECTION OF BOOKS:-

Any financial member may inspect the books of the Club at any reasonable and convenient time upon prior notice being given to the Secretary of the Club.

10. AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION/OBJECTS:-

Any member wishing to propose any amendment or alteration to the Constitution/Objects must give in writing a notice signed by not less than two financial members to the Secretary in the form of a resolution which must be delivered to the Secretary not less than one calendar month prior to the meeting at which the resolution is to be put and no such resolution shall be passed unless three-quarters of the full members present at an ordinary meeting vote in favour of such resolution.

11. MEETINGS:-

General meetings of the Club shall be held monthly and Committee meetings shall be held monthly.

The conduct of and procedure at General meetings and Committee meetings shall be solely under the control of the President who shall conduct such meetings in the manner he sees fit and he shall have all the powers afforded that of a Chairmen at such meetings. Notwithstanding the foregoing the President shall be bound to put any resolution of which due notice has been given to a meeting and shall give all full members present a reasonable opportunity of voting or speaking.

Annual General Meetings shall be held on the third Friday of May each year.

Any member who is entitled to vote may without notice move that a new President be elected whereupon the motion shall immediately be put to the meeting and shall be carried on the vote of two-thirds of the members present at the meeting. Upon such a motion being carried the new President shall immediately take the chair and remain as President until such time as another member has been elected to take his/her place.

In the event of the President being absent from any General meeting the Vice-President shall act as Chairman of the meeting or in his absence the Secretary shall act as Chairman or in his absence the Treasurer shall act as Chairmen.

The Club will adopt the Westminster Parliamentary System Meeting Procedure.

12. VOTING AT MEETINGS:-

The voting rights of a family ticket will be two (2) votes. Children have no voting rights. When they turn eighteen (18) years of age they may then pay full membership fees which will give them full voting rights.

13. THE COMMITTEE:-

The Committee shall consist of the office bearers of the Club.

The office bearers of the Club shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall constitute the executive Committee members of the Club, plus five ordinary Committee members. The total number of Committee members of the Club thus shall be nine.

All contested positions for office bearers will be by secret ballot.

The Committee of the Club shall be elected by a majority of the members and they shall hold office for a period of two years and they shall be eligible for re-election at the termination of such period. Elections for Committee members shall be held at the Annual General Meeting.

Any member of the Committee may resign in writing to the Secretary or a vacancy comes about if they cease to be a member of the Club.

In the event of a casual vacancy in any office of the Club the Committee may appoint one of its members to the vacant office up to and including the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the date of the appointment.

The Committee shall control the property and funds of the Club and shall be the sole authority to approve of any expenditure.

The Committee shall conduct the business of the Club as in its sole discretion it sees fit and may do any acts or things which it deems to be of benefit to the members without being held responsible or in any way liable for loss.

The Committee may elect or cause to be elected any sub-committees as it deems fit such as social committees and the like.

14. RESOLUTIONS:-

All resolutions passed at meetings of the Club shall be conclusive and shall be binding on all members of the Club whether they be present at the meeting at which the resolution was passed or not.

15. QUORUM:-

A quorum at Committee meetings shall be a majority of those entitled to be present and a quorum at general meetings shall be five members personally present (being members entitled under these rules to vote at a general meeting).

No proxy voting will be allowed at general meetings.

16. CONVENING OF GENERAL MEETINGS:-

The Secretary of the Club shall at least seven clear days before the date fixed for holding a general meeting of the Club cause to be sent to each member of the Club at his address appearing in the register of members a prepaid post newsletter stating the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

17. SOURCE OF FUNDS:-

The funds of the Club shall be derived from annual subscriptions, donations and such other sources as the Committee may decide.

18. SIGNING OF NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS:-

All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by two officers of the Club.

19. COMMON SEAL:-

The Common Seal of the Club shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary.

The Common Seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the Committee and the affixing of the Common Seal shall be attested by the signature of either of two members of the Committee or of one member of the Committee and of the Public Officer of the Club.

20. CUSTODY OF BOOKS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS:-

Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the Secretary shall keep in his custody or under his control, all books, documents and securities of the Club.

ASSOCIATIONS OF INCORPORATION ACT 1981

STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

1. The name of the incorporated association is.....
THE CASTLEMAINE HISTORIC VEHICLE CLUB INCORPORATED.

2. The purposes of which the association is established are:-
 - a) To bring together persons who are interested in historic vehicles for the benefit and enjoyment of such persons.
 - b) To promote and encourage interest in historic vehicles.
 - c) To provide, arrange, organize and/or hold general meetings of members of the Club, social meetings, sports meetings and any other kind of meeting.
 - d) To promote the use of historic vehicles for the purposes for which they were designed and to promote the preservation, restoration and maintenance of such vehicles.
 - e) To provide assistance to members in the acquisition or disposal of historic vehicles and parts thereof.
 - f) To endeavour to provide such services as circulars, notices, newsletters, bulletins, library facilities, meeting places, sporting activities and any other service as the Committee may deem fit.
 - g) To carry out all of the above objects and do all such other things as are incidental or ancillary to the attainment of the objects of the Club.

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