

ECHUCA & DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC A0000568P

CONSTITUTION

ECHUCA and DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC; Reg. No. A0000568P

in these rules called "the Association"

1. **Definitions:**

In these Rules, unless the contrary intention appears:-

- "Act" means the Association Incorporation reform Act 2012
- "committee" means the committee of management of the Association;.
- "financial year" means the year ending on 30th September;
- **"general meeting"** means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with Rule 14.
- "member" means a member of the Association;
- "ordinary member of the committee" means a member of the committee who is not an officer of the Association under Rule 23;
- "Regulations" mean regulations under the Act;
- "relevant documents" has the same meaning as in the Act;

In these rules, a reference to the Secretary of the Association is a reference –

- (a) to that person employed under these rules as Association Secretary of the Associationand
- (b) In any other case the Secretary (formerly the public officer) of the Association.

2. <u>Purposes of the Association:</u>

- (a) The Association shall apply to the Victorian Netball Association to become an Associate.
- (b) The proper representation of Echuca and District Netball Association representative teams.
- (c) The encouragement, promotion and management of netball within Echuca and District Netball Association.
- (d) Print and publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Association may think desirable for the promotion of its purposes.
- (e) The Association shall encourage and support members who wish to attend appropriate courses and seminars and other personal development activities.
- (f) The Association shall ensure that all officials have current appropriate minimum qualifications.
- (g) Where minimum qualifications /accreditation standards are not met, the Association shall encourage and support the member/s to achieve minimum standards.
- (h) The Association shall provide notification of opportunities for all members to improve their skills by attending courses, seminars and other personal development and activities.

- (i) The Association will not appoint any person to an official position unless the person to be appointed has achieved the minimum standard qualification / accreditation.
- (j) Encourage and promote performance- enhancing drug free competitions.
- (k) Develop a sense of sportsmanship and a high degree of proficiency in netball competitors.
- (l) Ensure adoption of and compliance with rules of the sport of netball.

3. Alteration of Statement of Purposes and Rules:

- (a) No addition, alteration or amendment shall be made to the Statement of Rules unless the same has been approved by a Special Resolution in accordance with the act.
- (b) Alterations may be made to the by-laws at the annual general meeting, special general / committee meetings or by the committee as it may deem necessary.
- (c) Any bylaw which has been made, amended or repealed shall not be dealt with again within a period of twelve (12) months,
- (d) Any team/member wishing to apply for alterations to the by- laws shall make written application to the committee and this will be discussed at the following meeting of the committee.
- (e) The committee as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the current season shall ratify or amend the existing bylaws.
- (f) Members to be notified of any amendments to the constitution and by-laws and the date from which the amendment takes effect.

4. Membership:

- (a) The Association in each year shall be comprised of teams, non playing financial members for that year, provided that all financial requirements are fulfilled and that each member of such team be an Amateur (refer to the Victorian Netball Association Amateur Status rule)
- (b) A person who is nominated and approved for membership as provided in these rules is eligible to be a member of the Association on payment of applicable entry fees and annual subscription payable under these rules.
- (c) A right, privilege or obligation of a person by reason of his/her membership of the Association;
 - (i) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person; and
 - (ii) terminates upon the cessation of membership at the end of the current year, whether by death or resignation or otherwise.

5. Entry Fees & Subscription:

- (a) Each team shall pay an amount to cover registration, administration and court fees as determined at the annual general meeting.
- (b) The annual subscription is two dollars (\$2.00) for non playing members and is payable in advance on or before the 1st day of November in each year.
- (c) Voting members must be over the age of 16 years on the 1st January of that calendar year.
- (d) To have voting rights you must be a current financial member.
- (e) The Association shall pay State Registration for all committee members.
- (f) Receipts shall be issued by the Association Secretary, committee members, competition convenor or by an authorised person.

6. Register of Members:

The Association Secretary must keep and maintain a register of members containing:

- (a) full name, address and contact details of each member and;
- (b) If a person ends their membership, the date they stopped being a member must be entered in the register within 14 days.
- (c) All other information about that person other than name, date stopped being a member must be removed from the register within 14 days.

7. <u>Inspection of Register:</u>

Having regard to confidentiality, an extract of the register, excluding the contact details of a member, shall be available for inspection (but not copying) by members upon reasonable request at the office of;

Echuca & District Netball Association Inc; In certain circumstances a member may ask the Association Secretary to restrict access to their details.

8. <u>Lifemembership:</u>

- (a) Any member of the Association may recommend in writing to the committee any persons eligible for Life Membership provided such person/s nominated have either served a minimum of ten (10) years in an official capacity or have made an outstanding contribution to the Association over a period of ten (10) years.
- (b) Details of the contribution made to the Association by the person nominated should be stated and be the over riding criteria to appointment as a Life Member.
- (c) Life Members who are involved in the Association do not pay state registration or financial fees.
- (d) Non active Life Members are invited, as guest to one relevant official EDNA function per year. Active life Members are invited guests to all EDNA Official functions.

position may attend all committee meetings, but have no power to vote. They shall, however receive a copy of the management meeting agenda/minutes & reports.

9. Discipline, Suspension and Expulsion of Members:

- (1) Subject to these Rules, if the committee is of the opinion that a member has refused or neglected to comply with these Rules, or has been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member or prejudicial to the interests of the Association, the committee may by resolution-
 - (a) suspend that member from membership of the Association for a specified period;
 - (b) expel that member from the Association.
- (2) A resolution of the committee under sub-rule (1) does not take effect unless-
 - (a) at a meeting held in accordance with sub-rule (3), the committee confirms the resolution; and
 - (b) if the member exercises a right of appeal to the Association under this rule, the Association confirms the resolution in accordance with this rule.
- (3) A meeting of the committee to confirm or revoke a resolution passed under sub-rule (1) must be held not earlier than 14 days, and no later than 28 days, after notice has been given to the member in accordance with sub-rule (4).
- (4) For the purposes of giving notice in accordance with sub-rule (3), the Assocaition Secretary must, as soon as practicable, cause to be given to the member a written notice-
 - (a) setting out the resolution of the committee and the grounds on which it is based: and
 - (b) stating that the member, or his or her representative, may address the committee at a meeting to be held not earlier than 14 days and not later than 28 days after the notice has been given to that member; and
 - (c) stating the date, place and time of that meeting; and
 - (d) informing the member that he or she may do one or both of the following-
 - (i) attend that meeting;
 - (ii) give to the committee before the date of that meeting a written statement seeking the revocation of the resolution;
 - (e) informing the member that, if at that meeting, the committee confirms the resolution, he or she may not later than 48 hours after that meeting, give the Association Secretary a notice to the effect that he or she wishes to appeal to the Association in general meeting against the resolution.
 - (5) At a meeting of the committee to confirm or revoke a resolution passed under sub-rule (1), the committee must-
 - (a) give the member, or his or her representative, an opportunity to be heard; and
 - (b) give due consideration to any written statement submitted by the member;

- (6) If at the meeting of the committee, the committee confirms the resolution, the member may, not later than 48 hours after that meeting, give the Association Secretary a notice to the effect that he or she wishes to appeal to the Association in general meeting against the resolution.
- (7) If the Association Secretary receives a notice under sub-rule (6), he or she must notify the committee and the committee must convene a general meeting of the Association to be held within 21 days after the date on which the Association Secretary received the notice.
- (8) At a general meeting of the Association convened under sub-rule (7)-
 - (a) no business other than the question of the appeal may be conducted; and
 - (b) the committee may place before the meeting details of the grounds for the resolution and the reasons for passing of the resolution; and
 - (c) the member, or his or her representative, must be given an opportunity to be heard; and
 - (d) the members present must vote by secret ballot on the question whether the resolution should be confirmed or revoked.
- (9) A resolution is confirmed if, at the general meeting, not less than two thirds of the members vote in person, or by proxy, in favor of the resolution. In any other case, the resolution is revoked.

10. <u>Disputes and Mediation</u>

- (1) The grievance procedure set out in this rule applies to disputes under these Rules between-
 - (a) a member and another member; or
 - (b) a member and the Association.
- (2) The parties to the dispute must meet and discuss the matter in dispute, and, if possible, resolve the dispute within 14 days after the dispute comes to the attention of all the parties.
- (3) If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute at the meeting, or if a party fails to attend that meeting, the both parties must hold a meeting in the presence of a mediator.
- (4) The mediator must be -
 - (a) a person chosen by agreement between the parties or
 - (b) in the absence of agreement-
 - (i) in the case of a dispute between a member and another member, a person appointed by the committee of the Association; or
 - (ii) in the case of a dispute between a member and the Association, a person who is a mediator appointed by Netball Victoria.

- (5) A member of the Association can be a mediator.
- (6) The mediator cannot be a member who is a party to the dispute.
- (7) The parties to the dispute must, in good faith, attempt to settle the dispute by mediation.
- (8) The mediator, in conducting the mediation, must-
 - (a) give the parties to the mediation process every opportunity to be heard; and
 - (b) allow due consideration by all parties of any written statement submitted by any party; and
 - (c) ensure that natural justice is accorded to the parties to the dispute throughout the mediation process.
- (9) The mediator must not determine the dispute.
- (10) If the mediation process does not result in the dispute being resolved, the parties may seek to resolve the dispute in accordance with the Act otherwise at law.

11. Annual General Meetings:

- (1) The Association shall in each calendar year, after it's financial year ends, convene an annual general meeting of its members.
- (2) The committee may determine the date, time and place of the annual general meeting of the Association and appropriately notify the members..
- (3) The annual general meeting shall be specified as such in the notice convening it.
- (4) The ordinary business of the annual general meeting shall be -
 - (a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding annual general meeting.
 - (b) to receive from the committee, reports upon the transactions of the Association during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) to elect officers of the Association and the ordinary members of the committee;
 - (d) to receive and consider the statement submitted by the Association in accordance with section 30 of the Act.
 - (f) To confirm or appoint a Secretary (formerly public officer) according to the Act.
- (5) The following positions to be <u>appointed</u> at the annual general meeting;

Press liaison officer, Canteen Supervisor, Umpire Educator,
Regional representative, Tournament Co-ordinator
Echuca south recreaction reserve committee; President, Vice President, Life Member,
or committee person Echuca basketball stadium management committee;
representative. Hearing Officer

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given 7 days prior, to the Association Secretary in accordance with these rules.

(7) The annual general meeting shall be an addition to any other general meetings that may be held in the same year.

12. <u>Special General Meetings:</u>

- (1) In addition to the annual general meeting, any other general meeting may be held in the same year.
- (2) All general meetings other than the annual general meeting are special general meetings.
- (3) General meetings of the Association to be held in March.
- (4) The committee may convene a special general meeting of the Association as required.
- (5) If but for this sub-rule, more than 15 months would elapse between annual general meetings, the committee must convene a special general meeting before the expiration of that period.
- (6) The committee must, on the request in writing of members representing not less than 5% of the total number of members, convene a special general meeting of the Association.

The request for a special general meeting must;

- (a) state the objects of the meeting and;
- (b) be signed by the members requesting the meeting and;
- (c) be sent marked "attention" to the Association Secretary P.O Box 559, Echuca, 3564. and may consist of several documents in a like form, each signed by one or more of the members making the requisition.
- (7) If the committee does not cause a special general meeting to be held within one month after the date on which the request is sent to the Association Secretary P.O. Box 559, Echuca, 3564 the members making the request ,or any of them, may convene a special general meeting to be held no later than 3 months after the date.
- (8) If a special general meeting is convened by members in accordance with this rule, it must be convened by the committee and all reasonable expenses incurred in convening the special general meeting must be refunded by the Association to the persons incurring the expenses.

13. <u>Special Business:</u>

All business that is conducted at a special general meeting and all business that is conducted at the annual general meeting, except for business conducted under the rules as ordinary business of the annual general meeting is deemed to be special business.

14. Notice of General Meetings:

(1) The Association Secretary shall at least (7) days, or if a special resolution has been

proposed, at least 21 days, before the date fixed for holding a general meeting of the Association, place an advertisement in the press, a notice at the courts and on the web site, stating the place, date and time of the meeting. The resolution must be passed by 75% of those attending meeting.

A member intending to bring any business before a meeting may notify the Association Secretary in writing, or by electronic transmission, or facsimile of that business and it will be included in general business at the meeting.

15. **Quorum at General Meetings:**

- (1) No item of business shall be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of the members entitled under these rules to vote is present at the time when the meeting is considering that item.
- Half of the sitting elected members be personally present or via link zoom/phone (being members entitled under these rules to vote at a general meeting) constitute a quorum for the conduct of the business of a general meeting. Eg 8 committee members = quorum of 4) (9 committee = quorum of 5, as you cannot have 4.5 people present.
- (3) If within half an hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting, a quorum is not present;
 - (a) In the case of a meeting convened upon the request of members- the meeting must be dissolved; and
 - (b) in any other case- the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and, (unless another place is specified by the Chairperson at the time of the adjournament or by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place.
- (4) If at the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for the commencement or the meeting, the members personally present (being not less than 3) shall be a quorum.

16. <u>Presiding at General Metings:</u>

- (1) The President, or in the President's absence, the Vice-President, shall reside as Chairperson at each general meeting of the Association.
- 17. If the President and the Vice-President are absent from a general meeting,
- **Adjournment of side etings** embers present must select one of their members to preside as Chairperson.
 - (1) The person presiding may, with the consent of a majority of members present at the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place.
 - (2) No business may be conducted at an adjourned meeting other than the unfinished business from the meeting that was adjourned.
 - (3) If a meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting must be given in accordance with rule 14.
 - (4) Except as provided in sub rule 15. it is not necessary to give notice of an adjournment or of the business to be conducted at an adjourned meeting.

18. <u>Voting at General Metings:</u>

- (1) Upon any question arising at a general meeting or the Association, a member has one vote only.
- (2) All votes must be given personally or by proxy.
- (3) In the case of an equality of voting on a question, the Chairperson of the meeting is entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.
- (4) A member is not entitled to vote at any general meeting unless all moneys due and payable by him/her to the Association have been paid, other than the amount of the annual subscription payable in respect of the current financial year.

19. Poll at general meetings:

- (1) If at a meeting a poll on any question is demanded by not less than 3 members, it must be taken that meeting in such a manner as the Chairperson may direct and the resolution of the meeting on that question.
- (2) A poll that is demanded on the election of a Chairperson or on a question of an adjournment must be taken immediately and a poll that is demanded on any other question must be taken at such time before the close of the meeting as the Chairperson may direct.

20. <u>Manner of determining whether resolution carried:</u>

- (1) If a question arising at a general or committee meeting of the Association is determined on a show of hands- a declaration by the Chairperson that a resolution has been-
 - (a) carried; or
 - (b) carried unanimously; or
 - (c) carried by a particular majority; or
 - (d) lost; and
- (2) an entry to that effect in the minute book of the Association- is evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, the resolution.

21. Proxies:

- (1) Each member is entitled to appoint another member as a proxy by notice given to the Association Secretary no later than 24 hours before the time of the meeting in respect of which the proxy is appointed.
- (2) The notice appointing the proxy must be -
 - (a) for a meeting of the Association convened under Rule 9 (7) in the form set out in Appendix 1;
 - (b) in any other case, in the form set out in Appendix 2 (AGM) or Appendix 3 (Special Meeting)

22. <u>Committee of Management:</u>

(1) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the committee of management as constituted in rule 23.

- (2) The committee -
 - (a) shall control and manage the business and financial affairs of the Association and ensure the Association does not trade, if it is insolvent
 - (b) invest and deal with moneys of the Association not immediately required by ensuring all funds are deposited in a government guaranteed bank.
 - (c) raise and borrow money on terms that the Association deems fit.
 - (d) secure the repayment of loans, or payment of any debt, or liability of the Incorporated Association by way of a mortgage charge, or security over all or any of the property of the Association.
 - (e) act as trustees.
 - (f) accept and hold real and personal property on trust.
 - (g) do all such things that are incidental or conductive to the attainment of the purposes and the exercise of the powers of the Incorporated Association.
 - (h) may, subject to these Rules, the Act and the Regulations, exercise all such powers and functions as may be exercised by the Association other than those powers and functions that are required by these Rules to be exercised by general meetings of the members of the Association; and
 - (i) subject to these Rules, the Regulations and the Act, has power to perform all such acts and things as appear to the committee to be essential for the proper management of the business and affairs of the Association.
 - (j) All committee members are to be invited as guests to the Association committee dinners to be held in February & November (meals only)
- (3). Subject to section 25 of the constitution, the committee shall consist of-
 - (a) the officers of the association, and
 - (b) five (5) ordinary members- each of whom shall be elected at the annual general meeting of the Association in each year.

23. <u>Election of Officers Ordinary Committee members & Executive:</u>

Office holders:

- (1) The officers of the Association shall be -
 - (a) President,
- (b) Vice President,
- (c) Umpires Convenor

- (d) Coaches Convenor
- (e) Junior Spring Convenor,
- (f) Saturday Convenor,
- (g) Senior Convenor,

(h) Mixed Convenor,

- (i) Representative Teams Convenor
- (j) Seven (7) Ordinary Members

(2) <u>Executive Committee to consist of:</u>

- (a) President (b) Vice President (c) Three (3) elected committee members.
- (3) The provisions of Rule 25 so far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply too and in relation to the election of persons to any other offices referred to sub-rule (1).
- (4) Only financial members are eligible for a position on the Echuca and District Netball Association committee. Committee members of other netball Associations or clubs are ineligible for a position on the committee.
- (5) Each officer of the Association shall hold office until the annual general meeting next, after the date of his/her election but is eligible for re-election
- (6) The officers of the Association shall not serve more than three (3) concurrent years in the one position.
- (7) The night and midweek competitions convenors shall be elected at the annual general meeting but not assume the role until the current season ends.
- (8) Nominations of candidates for election of officers of the Association or as ordinary members of the committee must
- (a) made in writing, signed by two members of the Association and accompanied by the signature of the candidate on the official nomination form and
 - (b) delivered in a sealed envelope to the Association Secretary not less than 14 days before the date fixed for the holding of the AGM.
- (9) If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the committee the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be elected and further nominations shall be received at the annual general meeting.
- (10) If the number of nominations exceed the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot shall be held.
- (11) If the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated shall be deemed to be elected.
- The ballot for election of officers and ordinary members of the committee shall be conducted at the annual general meeting in such usual and proper manner as the committee may direct.
- (13) A candidate may only be nominated for one office, or as an ordinary member of the committee, prior to the annual general meeting.

24. Vacancies:

(1) The office of an officer of the Association, or of an ordinary member or committee member becomes vacant if the officer:-

- (a) ceases to be a member of the Association; or
- (b) becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Corporations Law; or
- (c) resigns from office by notice in writing given to the Secretary.
- (2) In the event of a casual vacancy in any committee officer or ordinary member the committee may appoint an Association member to fill the vacancy until the following annual general meeting. If the vacating member holds an executive position the nominees to fill this vacancy must be from committee members elected at previous annual general meeting. If more nominations than required a received then a ballot shall be held and voting will be in writing.

25. Disclosure of interests:

The nature of the interest of any committee member must be declared by the committee member at the meeting where the business is being discussed.

The Association Secretary must record in the minutes any declaration made by any committee member.

The committee person may be counted in the quorum present at a meeting, but cannot vote in respect of any contract or arrangement in which, the committee is interested.

After the election of office holders and ordinary members nominations for 3 members for the executive shall be called for. If more than 3 nominations are received a ballot shall be held. Voting shall be written.

26. <u>Meetings of the committee:</u>

- (1) Committee meetings to be held monthly. Failure of committee members to attend three (3) consecutive meetings, results in an automatic disqualification and their position becomes vacant, unless prior approval is granted.
- (2) The committee must meet at least 3 times in each year at such place and such times as the committee may determine.
- (3) Special meetings of the committee may be convened by the President or by any 4 of the members of the committee.

(4) Leave of Absence

The committee may grant a leave of absence to a committee person for a period not exceeding three (3) months, on submission of a written application sent to the Association Secretary / President.

27. <u>Notice of committee meetings:</u>

- (1) Written notice of each committee meeting must be given to each member of the committee at least 2 business days before the date of the meeting.
- (2) Notice will be by electronic transmission, facsimile, or by prepaid post to the members address shown in the members register.
- (3) Written notice must be given to members of the committee of any special meeting specifying the general nature of the business to be conducted and no other business may be conducted at such meeting.

28. Quorum for committee meetings:

- (1) Any 6 members of the committee constitute a quorum for the conduct of the business of a meeting of the committee.
- (2) No business may be conducted unless a quorum is present.
- (3) If within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present;
 - (a) in the case of a special meeting the meeting lapses;
 - (b) in any other case- the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same place and and the same time and day in the following week.
- (4) The committee may act notwithstanding any vacancy on the committee.

29. Presiding at committee meetings:

At meetings of the committee;

- (a) the President or, in the President's absence, the Vice-President presides; or
- (b) if the President and the Vice President are absent, or unable to preside, the members present must choose one of their members to preside.

30. Voting at committee meetings:

- Questions arising at a meeting of the committee, or at a meeting of any sub-committee, appointed by the committee, shall be determined on a show of hands or, if a member requests, by a poll taken in such manner as the person presiding at that meeting may determine.
- Each member present at a meeting of the committee or at a meeting of any subcommittee appointed by the committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote and, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a second or casting vote.

31. Removal of committee member:

- (1) The Association in general meeting may, by resolution, remove any member of the committee before the expiration of the member's term of office and appoint another member in his/her place to hold office until the expiration of the term of the first mentioned member.
- (2) A member who is the subject of a proposed resolution referred to in sub-clause(1) may make representations in writing to the Association Secretary or President of the Association (not exceeding a reasonable length) and may request that the representations be provided to the members of the Association.
- (3) The Association Secretary or the President may give a copy of the representations to each member of the Association or, if they are not so given, the member may require that they be read out at the meeting.

32. <u>Sub – committees:</u>

. (1) Sub- committee meetings to be held when necessary and a written report to be given at the following general or committee meeting of the Association.

- (2) The President and Association Secretary to be informed of all sub-committee meetings, to which the executive committee should attend.
- (3) Each competitions sub-committee to consist of at least (5) members who shall be the umpires convenor, competition convenor, and at least (3) other members. All other sub-committees to consist of at least (5) members.

33. Representative teams committee:

(1) Representative teams committee to consist of, representative teams convenor, umpires convenor, coaches convenor, President and I other person. If any of these persons has applied to coach they must leave the room while a vote is taken on any coaching positions.

This committee selects the representative team coaches.

(2) The representative teams convenor, coaches, umpires & team managers accompanying representative teams to tournaments do not pay travelling costs.

34. Umpires sub committee:

The umpires committee to consist of the umpires convenor and at least three (3) other persons who shall instruct and advise umpires, and organise clinics.

35. <u>Coaches sub-committee:</u>

The coaches committee to consist of the coaches convenor, and at least (3) other persons to instruct coaches and organise clinics.

36. <u>Minutes of meetings:</u>

The Association Secretary must keep minutes of the resolutions and proceedings of each general meeting, and each committee meeting, in books provided for that purpose, together with a record of the names of persons present at committee meetings.

37. Secretary:

- (1) The Association Secretary must;
- (a) collect and receive all moneys due to the Association and make all payments authorised by the Association; and
- (b) keep correct accounts and books showing the financial affairs of the Association with full details of all receipts and expenditure connected with the activities of the Association.
- (c) The funds of the Association shall be derived from entrance fees, annual subscriptions, donations, sponsorship, and such other sources as the committee determines.

- (2) All cheques, drafts, bill of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments must be signed by two (2) of the nominated parties, the President, Vice President or Secretary.
- (3) Accounts shall be presented at general or committee meetings and passed for payment. President, Vice President & executive may authorise immediate payment of accounts to then be presented at the next general or committee meeting.
- (4) Accounts to be in the name of the Association and addressed to the Secretary, P.O. Box 559, Echuca, 3564
- (5) Capital expenditure over \$1,000 must be authorised by the committee, three (3) written quotes must be obtained and presented to the committee for approval.
- (6) The Association committee members shall be entitled to claim expenses incurred whilst acting in an official capacity. Receipts must be supplied.

38. Application of income:

- (1) The income and property of the Association shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the purposes of the Association as set out in this constitution.
- (2) No portion of the income or property of the Association shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of donation, bonus or otherwise to any member, but this shall not preclude payment to a member in good faith.

39. <u>Seal:</u>

- (1) The common seal of the Association shall be kept in the custody of the Association Secretary and held in the netball office at: 246-250 High Street Echuca Victoria; 3564
- (2) The common seal must 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 signatures either of (2) two members of the committee or, of (1) one member of the committee and of the Secretary (formerly public officer) of the Association.

40. <u>Notice to members:</u>

Except for the requirement in rule 14, any notice that is required to be given to a member, by or on behalf of the Association, under these Rules may be given by;

- (a) delivering the notice to the member personally; or
- (b) sending it by prepaid post addressed to the member at that member's address shown in the register of members; or
- (c) facsimile transmission, if the member has requested that the notice be given to him or her in this manner; or
- (d) electronic transmission, if the member has requested that the notice be given to him or her in this manner.

Winding up: .

(1) In the event of the winding up or the cancellation of the incorporation of the Association,

- the assets of the Association shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution rule 43. (2, 3, 4,)
- (2) In the event of the Association disbanding, the assets and property, after the payment of all debts and liabilities, shall not be distributed to members, but shall be managed by a trust committee for not more than three (3) years.
- (3) Should a junior or like Association be formed the trust committee shall administer all funds necessary to manage the said Association for not more than (3) years.
- (4) If after (3) three years a junior or like Association is not formed, the trust committee is to distribute all funds and property to local and district sporting bodies.

42. <u>Custody and inspection of books and records:</u>

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, the Association Secretary must keep in his or her custody or under his or her control all books, documents and securities of the Association, at the netball office.
- (2) Records of the Association shall be kept in bound and numbered books, also stored electronically at the office of the Association.
- (3) All accounts, books, securities, and any other relevant documents of the Association must be available for inspection and copy free of charge by any member upon request.
- (4) A member may have access to minutes of special general meetings including financial statements submitted at committee meetings, accounts securities and any other relevant documents of the Association, except the members register.

42. Indemnity:

- (1) No member of the Association shall have any claim, legal or otherwise, against the Association or its officers for any act, omission, or error on their part.
- (2) The Association shall indemnify any officer of the Association acting in good faith and within the scope of their duties against any claim, liability, loss or damage which they may incur in consequence of any act, omission or error on their part
- (3) In the event of any member of the Association or person/s acting in an official capacity being injured and requiring an ambulance to be transported to hospital, such person/s are responsible for any Ambulance fee incurred. (Updated: November 11, 2014.)