

# Southern Tasmanian 8 Ball Association

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Established 1969

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# **STEBA Constitution**

Amended 2014 AGM Previous Constitutions Null & Void

- **NAME:** The name of the Association shall be: Southern Tasmanian Eight Ball Association Inc. (hereinafter called "the Association").
  - (i) In this constitution, unless the contrary intention appears
  - (ii) 'Committee' means the Committee of Management of the Association;
  - (iii) 'Delegates' means a Delegate appointed by an affiliated Team;
  - (iv) 'Meeting' means a Meeting of Delegates convened in accordance with this constitution.

**OBJECTS**: The objects of the association are to:

- (a) Advance, promote and standardize the rules of Eight Ball within Tasmania,
- (b) Educate, train, coach and encourage competitors and members of affiliated teams in the advancement of the sport within Tasmania,
- (c) Consider and deal with all matters from time to time submitted by any affiliated team,
- (d) Arrange functions for participation by all affiliated teams, including State Championships,
- (e) Arrange intra-Association tournaments and all relative matters,
- (f) Raise funds to pay expenses or debts of the Association,
- (g) Affiliate with other organizations for the betterment of Eightball, if the Executive Committee deem fit,
- (h) Deliberate and finalized disputes between teams of the Association.

# **MEMBERSHIP:**

- (a) The Association shall consist of registered members of affiliated teams from venues in the greater Hobart area.
- (b) Each team may appoint one Delegate to the Association and such appointed Delegates shall comprise the membership of the Association.

# **AFFILIATIONS FEES:**

- (a) The subscription payable by each team to the Association shall be determined by the delegates at the Annual General Meeting.
- (b) Such subscriptions shall be due and payable as determined by the Delegates at the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) Any team whose subscription remains outstanding after the day it is due and payable will not be permitted to take part in any authorized game of the Association.
- (d) Any team failing to pay such subscription shall cease to belong to the Association but may be reinstated at the discretion of the Executive Committee upon payment of all outstanding fees.

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The delegates shall at the Annual General Meeting elect the Executive Committee comprising a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Senior Vice-President, Junior Vice-President & Assistant Secretary to stand for one year.

- (a) The affairs of the Association shall be managed and controlled by the Executive Committee which, in addition to any powers and authorities conferred upon it, may exercise all such powers and do all such things as are within the objects of the Association.
- (b) The Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint such officers and employees as are required to carry out the objects of the Association, and may delegate any of its powers to such officers and employees.

# COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT:

The Committee of Management shall comprise the Executive Committee and any other officers deemed necessary by the Executive Committee and elected by the Delegates.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE:

- (a) The Committee shall meet together for meetings when the Executive Committee deems it necessary.
- (b) A quorum for a meeting of the Committee shall be four members.
- (c) Questions arising at any Committee Meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes, and in the event of an equality of votes the chairperson shall have a casting vote in addition to the deliberative vote.



#### FINANCIAL YEAR:

The financial year of the Association shall be for a period of twelve (12) months and shall start on the 1<sup>st</sup> July & end on the 30<sup>th</sup> June every year.

#### **BORROWING POWERS:**

- (a) The Association may borrow money from banks or other financial institutions upon such terms and conditions as the Executive Committee sees fit, and may secure the repayment thereof by charging the property of the Association.
- (b) The Association may invite and accept deposits of money from any person on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Executive Committee from time to time.

#### RULES:

- (a) Subject to approval by a resolution of the Delegates these rules may be altered (including an alteration to name), or be rescinded and replaced by substituted rules.
- (b) This Constitution and associated By-Laws shall bind the Association and every Delegate and team to the same extent as if they had respectively signed and sealed them, and agreed to be bound by all the provisions thereof.

#### THE SEAL:

- (a) The Association shall have a common seal upon which its name shall appear in legible characters.
- (b) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary or such other person as the Executive Committee may from time to time decide.

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS:**

The Annual General Meeting of the Delegates shall be held not later than three months after the close of the financial year. All matters to be placed on the agenda must be sent to the Secretary at least two weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.

The Agenda for the Annual General Meeting shall include:

- (a) The President's and Treasurer's Reports and the Financial Statement.
- (b) Election of Office Bearers for the ensuing year.
- (c) Any business that has been received by the appropriate time, and any other business that may be brought forward relevant to that meeting.

#### **PROCEEDINGS AT MEETINGS:**

- (a) Half of the delegates present personally or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at any general meeting.
- (b) If within thirty minutes after the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to a time to be decided by the delegates present. If at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within thirty minutes the delegates present shall form a quorum.
- (c) The chairperson of the Committee, or in their absence the vice-chairperson of the Committee, or if they decline to take or resign from the chair one of the Delegates chosen by the meeting shall preside as chairperson at every general meeting of the Association.
- (d) If within five minutes after the time appointed for the meeting the chairperson is not present the delegates present may choose one of their number to be the chairperson.
- (e) The chairperson may with the consent of any meeting, and shall if directed by the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place. No business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other that the business left unfinished from the original meeting.
- (f) At any general meeting, a resolution put to a vote shall be decided on a show of hands and a declaration by the chairperson that the resolution has been carried or lost and shall, unless a poll is demanded, be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number of votes recorded for and against the resolution.
- (g) If a poll is demanded by the chairperson or by three or more delegates it shall be taken in such manner as the chairman directs. The result of such poll shall be the resolution of the meeting, except that in the case of a special resolution a majority of not less than three-quarters of the delegates who being entitled to do so vote at the meeting.
- (h) A poll demanded on the election of a chairperson or a question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting and without adjournment.

# **PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

A Delegate having a pecuniary interest in a contract with the Association must disclose that interest to the Committee and shall not vote with respect to that contract.

#### UNAUTHORIZED USE OF NAME:

No person or corporation shall in any way use the name of the Association without the prior consent of the Association.

### **MINUTES:**

- (a) Proper minutes of all meetings of the Association and meetings of the Committee shall, within one month of the relevant meeting, be entered in Minute books kept for the purpose.
- (b) The minutes kept pursuant to this rule shall be signed by the chairperson of the relevant meeting or by the chairperson of the next succeeding meeting.
- (c) Where minutes are entered and signed they shall, until the contrary is proved, be evidence that the meeting was convened and duly held.

# **VOTING RIGHTS:**

Subject to this constitution each Delegate and Executive Committee member present in person or by proxy shall be entitled to one vote.

#### ACCOUNTS:

- (a) The Association shall keep such accounting records as are necessary to correctly record and explain the financial transactions and position of the Association.
- (b) All monies received by the Association shall as soon as practicable be paid into a bank or recognized financial institution approved by the Committee.
- (c) All cheques shall be signed by two of the Committee.
- (d) An auditor shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and an audit conducted annually.

#### **ALTERATION OF CONSTITUTION:**

This constitution shall not be amended or altered except at the Annual General Meeting or a Special Meeting convened for that purpose. No motion for an amendment or addition shall be submitted to a vote of the Association unless notice thereof, signed by the delegate proposing the amendment or addition, shall have been handed or posted to the Secretary at least two weeks before the date of the meeting at which the amendment or addition is proposed to be made. Any proposed alteration, addition or amendment shall be carried by at least a two-thirds majority of delegates entitled to vote.

#### WINDING UP:

The Association may be wound up by a two-thirds majority vote of Delegates. On the winding up of the Association the funds of the Association shall be divided equally between all affiliated teams.



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