

CONSTITUTION FOR THE VICTORIAN TRAMWAYS BOWLS ASSOCIATION

TITLE

1. Shall be known as the Victorian Tramways Bowls Association.

MEMBERSHIP

2. Open to all affiliated members of the R.V.B.A. who are employees or ex-employees of the M.M.T.B.

BADGE AND COLOURS

3. M.M.T.B. monogram enclosed by wording ~~Victorian~~ Tramways Bowls Association".
Colours to be Green and Gold. Victoria

SUBSCRIPTIONS

4. Subscriptions to be fixed at the Annual Meeting each year, and must be paid at the meeting, so as to be in advance.
- 4a. Any member who does not pay his subscription before 30th June will be deemed unfinancial, and will be ineligible to play at any Social or Interstate or Victorian Carnivals, until arrears are paid.
- 4b. Any member who is 12 months in arrears, will forfeit membership.
- 4c. Unfinancial members may be re-admitted, only at the discretion of the Committee and all arrears must be paid in full.

OFFICERS AND GENERAL COMMITTEE

5. Officers of Association to consist of :- President, 2 Vice Presidents, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Assistant Secretary (at discretion of Secretary), 2 Auditors and General Committee to consist of members who attend the General or Annual Meetings.

MEETINGS

6. Annual Meetings will be held on a suitable evening in May of each year. General meetings to be held quarterly or whenever the President or Secretary deem that a meeting is necessary for the smooth working of the Association.

QUORUMS

7. Quorum for the Annual Meeting to be 40% of the members.
Quorum for the General Meeting to be 30% of the members.

ELECTIONS

8. Elections to be held at the Annual Meetings and all offices must be declared vacant, elected Officers to serve for the current year, with the exception of the President and Vice Presidents, who will hold the office for a period of two years.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- 9a. President: To preside at all meetings, regulate and keep order, and to carry into effect the Rules of the Association.

- 9b. Secretary: To record the minutes of all meetings in the book provided for the purpose, conduct all correspondence for the Association, keep register of names and addresses of all members, also the date of payment of their subscriptions, and to arrange all Carnival and Social games and functions.
- 9c. Treasurer: To receive all monies and to deposit with Association's bank, to keep accurate record of all monies, received and expended, to prepare and submit Financial Statements for Annual and General Meetings.
- 9d. Banking: All accounts of \$2.00 or more are to be paid by cheque, which is to be signed by two of the following, viz:

President	Hon. Secretary	Hon. Treasurer
	Asst. Secretary	

NOTICE OF ALTERATION TO CONSTITUTION

10. All alterations to the Constitution must be tendered in writing, and the Notice of Motion to be given prior to the Annual Meeting where any such alteration will be dealt with by Committee.

MEMBERS AND NEW MEMBERS

- 11a. All members will be provided with an Association pocket for blazer, hat band and Association lapel badge. These MUST be worn at all Social and Competitive games.
- 11b. New members must attend (if possible) the meeting following their admittance to the Association, to meet their fellow members.

EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

- 12a. The Committee shall have the power to Fine or Expel any member for conduct considered to be unbecoming as a member of the Association.
- 12b. If necessary, the offending member shall be called before a General Committee Meeting to state his case in defence.

INTERSTATE TOURNAMENTS

- 13a. Manager of the Interstate Team to be selected at the meeting prior to the Carnival and he is to be in sole charge of ALL teams for the current year.
- 13b. All members who are selected to represent the Association at Interstate or Victorian Carnivals MUST obey the Manager's requests.
- 13c. Manager is empowered to discipline, recall or suspend any member who does not comply with the Rules or Regulations for Interstate or Victorian Carnivals.
- 13d. Members who are selected for Interstate Carnivals MUST attend all functions that are arranged by the Host State, except when given permission by the Manager to be absent.

ELECTION OF SELECTORS

14. Three selectors shall be elected by the members at the Annual Meeting each year.

WIVES ACCOMPANYING MEMBERS INTERSTATE

15. Any member who wishes his wife to accompany him to the Interstate Carnivals must understand that the women must be separated from the players, at the hotel or motel, that the Host State has booked for the Carnival. Also to

understand that while they have the advantage of the concession travel, they must pay the full price of the hotel or motel accommodation.

HONORARY MEMBERS

16. Subject to the approval of two executive committeemen (i.e. President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer or Assistant Secretary), friends or members of other Bowling Clubs may be invited to and represent the Association at Social Games.

COMMUNICATIONS TO SECRETARY

17. All members MUST answer promptly all communications sent by the Association Secretary, so as to facilitate the business of the Club, and any member who does not reply to same by the given time will not be included in teams for Games or Social Functions.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

18. Members must notify the Secretary immediately of any change of address, as soon as possible, in order that postage will not be wasted.

RESIGNATIONS

19. Any member who wishes to resign from the Association must do so in writing, which will be placed before the Committee at the next General or Annual Meeting.
20. That Life Membership be given to members who have given good service to the Association over past years.

Signed by President *H. W. G. Whistler*
Secretary *William R. Edwards*
Treasurer *R. L. Lee*
Date *8-7-75*