



# **CONSTITUTION**

## **THE NORTHERN AUTOMOTIVE RESTORATION CLUB (S.A.) INC**

### **1. TITLE:**

The club shall be called The Northern Automotive Restoration Club (S.A.) Incorporated.

### **2. DEFINITIONS:**

Herein The Northern Automotive Restoration Club (S.A.) . Inc. shall be designated as the club. The committee means the executive committee of The Northern Automotive Restoration Club (S.A.) INC. Financial Members shall mean and include every member who has paid all monies due and payable under these rules.

### **3. OBJECTS:**

The restoration and preservation of Motor Vehicles:

- (a) Antique. ... (vehicles built before 31.12.1904)
  - Veteran... (1.1. 1905 > 31.12.1918)
  - Vintage. ...(1.1. 1919 > 31.12.1930)
  - Post Vintage. ...(1.1. 1931 > 31.12.1945)
  - Post 1945. ...(1.1. 1946 > 31.12.1960)
  - Post 1960... (built on or after 1.1.1961 and not later than 31.12.1969)
- (vehicles eligible for historic registration are also welcome .... Club by-law)
- Tractors and Engines.
- (b) To hold competitions, tournaments, rallies and social events for members.
- (c) To publish a periodical.

### **4. MEMBERSHIP:**

Membership of the club shall be as follows :-

- (a) Full Membership open to owners of items as set down in 3.(a).
- (b) Non Owners- Enthusiasts who do not own classified items who are however interested in the objects of the club provided that the number of non owner members shall not at any time exceed 20% of the total number of Full Members.
- (c) Honorary and Life Members
  - Honorary Members- Honorary Membership to the club may be awarded to individual non members in recognition of worthwhile services to the club or its interests. Admission as an Honorary Member will be subject to the unanimous decision of the committee.
  - Life Members- Life membership will be available to members who have given at least ten years of outstanding service to the Club. Awarding of life membership will be subject to the unanimous recommendation of the committee, and shall be passed by general members at a General meeting. Nomination for such Membership may be made by any financial member.

### **5. Admission of Membership:**

Subject to the provision of rule 4, the committee shall have the power to admit to membership a person on receipt of their annual subscription and application form. The committee shall have the power to reject any person from membership if circumstances justify such action. A reason need not be stated for any such rejection.

### **6. Annual Subscription:**

Members shall pay an annual fee, the amount to be reviewed two meetings prior to the annual meeting. Subscriptions are charged for the year beginning July 1st. to June 30th. each year, persons joining after December shall be required to pay one half the annual rate.

### **7. Committee:**

- (a) The committee shall consist of the following members of the club:-
  - Patron, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Secretary, Federation Representative, Con-Rod Editor, Permit Officer, Property Officer, Immediate Past President, plus four (4) elected committee members.
- (b) The committee shall control the general conduct and affairs of the club.
- (c) The committee has the power to deal with any special matters which may arise from time to time and any such action shall be binding on all members.
- (d) Members of the committee shall hold office from one Annual General Meeting until the Annual General Meeting in the following year, at which time they shall be eligible for re-election.

### **8. Meetings:**

- (a) The Annual General Meeting of the club shall be held on the 2nd Thursday of July of each year or as near as possible to this date if this proves inconvenient.
- (b) The monthly meeting of the club shall be held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8.00pm or at such time and day as may be decided by the committee.
- (c) In the absence of either the President or Secretary, the vacant office shall be filled by the Vice President and in his absence by any member of the committee elected by the majority of members present.

### **9. Voting:**

- (a) Only fully paid up members shall be entitled to vote at any meeting.
- (b) Proxy votes shall be allowed at any meeting in writing.
- (c) At all Annual General Meetings a minimum of fifteen financial members shall form a quorum.
- (d) At all Committee Meetings six officers shall form a quorum.

## **10. Financial Year:**

The financial year of the club shall be from July 1st to June 30th of the following year, at which time all books and records must be closed off and balanced.

## **11. Finances:**

- (a) All monies received shall be paid into the Club's Account with any bank or banks as the Committee shall from time to time decide.
- (b) A receipt must be issued for all monies received by the Club and such funds must be banked in the Club's Account.
- (c) All accounts in excess of \$2.00 must be paid by cheque drawn on the club's account.
- (d) All cheques, bills of exchange, withdrawal forms drawn on the club's banking account(s), shall be signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer or any two of them, or any member duly appointed by the Committee.
- (e) Any financial member shall be entitled to inspect the books of the club at any reasonable time convenient to the Committee subject to previous notice to the Secretary and Treasurer.
- (f) The income and property of the club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the club and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly to members or relatives of members of the club.

## **12. Alterations to the Constitution:**

- (a) Any General Meeting may make rules, by-laws and establish guidelines for regulating the affairs of the club; within the framework of this constitution.
- (b) Two weeks written notice giving full details of any proposed amendment must be given to all financial members prior to any such meetings.
- (c) Accidental omission to give such notice to any member shall not invalidate any resolution passed at such meeting.
- (d) Two thirds of the financial members present at any general meeting at which this constitution and rules are altered must carry such resolution.

## **13. Organising Committee:**

- (a) The committee may appoint one or more members to a special committee to organise any function which seems necessary.
- (b) At the conclusion of any such function the special committee duties shall be dissolved.

## **14. Properties of the Club:**

- (a) All properties of the club shall be controlled by the committee subject to members control at any general meeting.
- (b) The club shall be dissolved upon the vote of at least 80% of those present and entitled to vote, at an extraordinary general meeting convened to consider such question.
- (c) In the event of the dissolution of the club for any reason the net assets, if any, of the club at that time shall be realised and distributed to one or more charities to be agreed upon by the majority of financial members at the time.
- (d) No member for any reason whatsoever shall have any assignable interest in the club's assets or properties.

## **15. List of Members:**

- (a) On joining the club the prospective member shall complete the club's "Application for Membership" form and pay the annual subscription and receive all rights and privileges of the club.
- (b) A comprehensive club register will be kept.

## **16. Duties of Officers:**

- (a) The President. - At all meetings the President shall act as Chairman. The Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his deliberative vote.
- (b) The Secretary. - The Secretary shall make notification of all meetings and record the minutes of all meetings and submit such minutes to the next meeting for confirmation.
- (c) The Treasurer. - The Treasurer shall be responsible for all monies of the club. The Treasurer shall collect all monies to the club and observe the requirements of rules 10 & 11. All expenditure must be authorised by the committee or a general meeting. The Treasurer shall keep a financial record of all members.

## **17. Public Officer:**

The Association shall appoint a Public Officer at its A G M to exercise the powers and duties stipulated in the Act.

## **18. Patron:**

The club shall nominate a Patron.

## **19. Colours:**

The club colours shall be Orange, Black and Silver.

## **20. The Seal:**

- (1) The Association shall have a common seal upon which its corporate name shall appear in legible characters.
- (2) The seal shall not be used without the express authorisation of the Committee and every use shall be recorded in the minute book of the Association. The affixing of the seal shall be witnessed by the President and Secretary of the Association.
- (3) The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary.

## **21. Auditing:**

The Northern Automotive Restoration Club (S.A.) Inc. books are to be audited by two (2) auditors appointed from this club.

This Constitution was adopted by The Northern Automotive Restoration Club (S.A.) Inc. pursuant to a resolution of a two-thirds majority members of the Association made at a Special General Meeting on the: Thirteenth day of July, 1989.

## **RULES**

Resolved 6/11/08 MEMBERSHIP ... To be eligible for membership potential new members must attend at least 2 meetings/events. To be eligible for conditional registration a member must attend at least 3 events/meetings a year as per Calendar printed in the Con-Rod. Exemptions can be granted for members who have been in the club for 5 years or more.