GOSFORD RSL FISHING CLUB INTERNAL CLUBS CONSTITUTION (A SPORTS SUBSIDIARY CLUB OF GOSFORD RSL CLUB LIMITED)

- The name of the Club shall be Gosford RSL Fishing Club and shall be subject to the Constitution of Gosford RSL Club Limited in addition to which the following rules apply.
- 2. Definition: "Club" shall mean the Gosford RSL Fishing Club.

MEMBERSHIP

- 3. All financial members of Gosford RSL Club Limited shall be eligible for membership of the Club.
- 4. Application for membership/ renewal shall be made on the prescribed form and must be accompanied by the annual subscription.
- 5. All new members accepted in the months of November and December shall be deemed financial until 31st December of the next year.
- 6. Renewal of membership shall become due on the 1st January each year.
- 7. Should any member fail to renew their membership by 31st January that member shall be given an extension until 28th February after which date they shall become unfinancial. Should a member become unfinancial, all "Heaviest of Species" claims and points shall be forfeited.
- 8. Recognition of membership shall be an official receipt.
- 9. The amount of the annual subscription for the next financial year shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting of members.

FINANCE

- 10. The financial year of the Club shall be from 1st January to 31st December.
- 11. All monies received shall be receipted and banked to an account in the Club's name at the bank nominated by Gosford RSL Club Limited.
- 12. All accounts having been passed for payment shall be paid by cheque and signed by two signatories as authorised at the Annual General Meeting. The authorised signatories to the Club's accounts must be approved by the Board of Gosford RSL Club Limited and shall include the President and CEO of Gosford RSL Club Limited.
- 13. The Treasurer shall record all financial transactions and be responsible for banking all Club funds as soon as possible and in any event within seven (7) days of receipt of same in such manner as directed by Gosford RSL Club Limited.
- 14. The Club must give or make available to Gosford RSL Club Limited all its books and records, including without limitation all financial accounts and statements, for inspection, review or auditing as required by Gosford RSL Club Limited.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 15. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of February or March each vear.
- 16. The Management Committee must give Notice of an Annual General Meeting to members in accordance with these Rules.
- 17. Reports to be tabled at the Annual General Meeting by Officers of the Club as directed by the Management Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- 18. Nominations for the election to the Management Committee must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary of the Club prior to the close of nominations. Nominations will close at 7pm on the day which is seven (7) days before the Annual General Meeting for all positions on the Management Committee. The Management Committee must publish or cause to be published a notice on the Club noticeboard and the noticeboard of Gosford RSL Club Limited calling for nominations and stating the time and date nominations will close. This notice must be published on the noticeboards at least 21 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting. Should no nominations be received for a position nominations will be called for from the floor of the Annual General Meeting.
- 19. Nominations will be signed by two financial members and signed by the nominee accepting the position.

OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

- 20. The Officers of the Club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Boat Captain, Recorder, Weighmaster, Safety Officer, Social Secretary, Web Master and the President of Gosford RSL Club Limited or their appointed representative. These Officers shall meet and form the Management Committee of the Club.
- 20A. In the event of a Management Committee position becoming vacant during the year, the position shall be filled, until the next Annual General Meeting, by the person holding the Assistant role to that position.
- 21. The Management Committee shall meet each month.

 Without limitation, the Management Committee shall have the power to:
 - a. Create by-laws;
 - b. Create regulations;
 - c. Create competition rules in relation to the Club provided that such by-laws, regulations or competition rules are not inconsistent with this Constitution; and
 - d. Manage all day-to-day activities and specific events that are not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Constitution of Gosford RSL Club Limited

QUORUM

- 22. A quorum at the Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting shall be fifteen (15) members. If a quorum is not present within thirty (30) minutes of the time scheduled for the commencement of the meeting then the meeting shall be adjourned to a time, place and date agreed to by those members present.
- 23. The Management Committee quorum shall be five (5). In the absence of the President who shall chair all meetings when in attendance, the Vice President shall chair the meeting. If both the President and Vice President are absent, the members present shall elect a Chairperson. Should any other member of the executive committee be temporarily unavailable, the person elected as the assistant to that position may sit on the committee and form part of the quorum.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

24. The Social Committee shall consist of the Social Secretary, who will act as Chairman, and five financial members of the Club as elected at the Annual General Meeting.

DISCIPLINE

25. The Management Committee of Gosford RSL Fishing Club shall exercise natural justice in dealing with members alleged to have breached the By-Laws and Rules of the Fishing Club. In all other instances, allegations of breach of the RSL Club's Constitution should be referred to the Directors of Gosford RSL Club Limited.

CLUB COMPETITION

26. All competitions will be conducted in accordance with the rules set down by the Management Committee.

BOAT CAPTAIN / SAFETY OFFICER / SKIPPER OF THE DAY

27. The Boat Captain, Safety Officer and Skipper of the Club boat shall be responsible for the safety and good repair of the Club's equipment, namely the Club boat and ancillary equipment. Members using the Club boat shall adhere to the Club boat usage By-Laws specified by the Management Committee.

COMPETITION RULES

28. All competitions shall be conducted according to the relevant "Species Size and Bag Limit" chart and "Competition Rules" for the particular outing.

SOCIAL

29. The Social Committee will be responsible for the conduct of all the Club's social activities and have the power to co-opt assistance from members of the Club as required.

CLUB BOAT

30. By-Laws relating to the usage and operation of the boat, as specified by the Management Committee, are to be followed by all members using the Club boat.

RECORD CATCHES AND POINTS SCORED

31. Points shall be awarded to each member as per the current "Species Size and Bag Limit" chart and "Competition Rules" relevant for the particular outing. Points for each member shall accumulate over the calendar year. A listing recording the "Heaviest of Species" for the calendar year shall be maintained.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSTITUTION

32. Alterations to the Club Constitution shall be made at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting of Club members. The Management Committee must publish or cause to be published a notice containing the amendments on the Club noticeboard and the Noticeboard of Gosford RSL Club

Limited at least twenty one (21) days prior to meeting at which the amendment will be considered.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

33. The Management Committee of the Club shall be empowered to call an Extraordinary General Meeting. The Management Committee must give Notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting to members in accordance with these rules.

PROXY VOTES

34. Proxy votes will not be recognised at any meeting of the Club.