

**CONSTITUTION OF  
The AUTO COLLECTORS CLUB of MURRAY BRIDGE Inc.**

**1. Title:** The Club shall be called **The Auto Collectors Club of Murray Bridge Incorporated.**

**2. Club Address:** The Club address for the purposes of correspondence shall be:  
"Box 869, Post Office, Murray Bridge, 5253".

**3. Objectives of the Club:** the objectives of the Club shall be:-

- (a) To foster the collection, restoration and use of Veteran, Vintage, Classic and other interesting or unusual vehicles.
- (b) To organise functions and activities for Club members consistent with the above objective.
- (c) The Club shall be a non-profit organisation.

**4. Club Colours:** the Club colours shall be Maroon and Gold.

**5. Membership:** There shall be two types of membership, namely:

- (a) **Full Membership:** Shall be available to individuals or families (including spouse/partner and any dependent children, providing the children are under 16 years of age) interested in the furtherance of the objectives of the Club. Each adult member shall be entitled to one vote. All those covered by the "Full Membership" shall abide by the constitution and rules of the Club and be entitled to all benefits and privileges provided by the Club.
- (b) **Provisional Membership:** On first joining the Club, for the first year of membership, newly accepted members shall be classed as "Provisional Members". Provisional members will only be invited to renew their membership if they meet any participation requirements which may, from time to time, be determined by ordinary resolution of members at a general meeting. Provisional members shall have the same rights and responsibilities as "Full Members".

**6. Life Membership:** Any financial member who has rendered the Club meritorious service may be nominated for life membership. The nomination, with a detailed summary of the nominee's service, is to be given to the Executive Committee at least two months prior to the Annual General Meeting. The Executive Committee and all available Life Members to decide if the criteria have been met and Life Membership granted. The membership shall be presented at the Annual General Meeting or Presentation Dinner. Life members shall have the same privileges as full financial members.

**7. EXPULSION:** If the conduct of a member, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, be injurious to the character or interests of the Club or its members, the President shall call a meeting of the Executive Committee to consider the conduct of the member and shall invite him/her to attend the meeting so that he/she will have the opportunity of explaining or withdrawing from the Club. If a two-third majority of the Executive Committee votes for the expulsion, the member shall be expelled. Any member so expelled shall have the right to appeal to a general meeting, where a majority of those present and voting shall be required to confirm the expulsion. If the expulsion is not confirmed, the member shall be reinstated. Voting shall be by secret ballot.

**8. SUBSCRIPTIONS:** Subscriptions will be set by the Committee at least three months before the Annual General Meeting. The membership year shall run from the Wednesday Immediately following the AGM in July to the AGM in July of the following year. Subscriptions may be paid in advance of the membership year at the discretion of the Treasurer. As a transitional measure, the 15 months ending 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 shall be treated as one membership year.

**9. RESIGNATIONS:** Any member whose subscriptions are not in arrears may resign his membership by giving notice in writing to the Secretary, who shall submit same to the Executive Committee at its next meeting. Upon cessation of membership, there shall be no claim upon the Club or any of its property.

**10. ARREARS OF SUBSCRIPTIONS:** Any member whose subscription remains unpaid at the end of the membership year shall be deemed to have resigned and therefore not hold any of the privileges of membership.

**11. FINANCIAL YEAR:** The financial year of the Club shall run from the 1<sup>st</sup>. of July to the 30<sup>th</sup>. of June of the following year. As a transitional measure, the 15 months ending 30th. June 2019 shall be treated as one financial year.

**12. MEETINGS:** Annual General Meetings of the Club shall be held on the first Tuesday in July. A general meeting of the Club shall be held on the first Tuesday of every month except January. The President or, in his absence, the Vice-President shall take the chair. At general meetings seven (7) members shall form a quorum.

**13. CLUB MANAGEMENT:** The general conduct and management of the Club shall be vested in a body to be known as the Executive Committee, which shall consist of:-

PRESIDENT  
Vice-PRESIDENT / (PROPERTY OFFICER)  
SECRETARY and PUBLIC OFFICER  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY / (LIBRARIAN)  
TREASURER  
REGISTRAR  
EDITOR  
PUBLICITY OFFICER  
5 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

All executive offices shall be declared vacant at the Annual General Meeting. Election of officers shall be by ballot at the Annual General Meeting. The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill any casual vacancy which may occur in such committee or in the office of President. All candidates for office, except honorary officers, must have been members of the Club and, if liable for subscription, financial for at least three (3) months prior to the Annual General Meeting. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes will be deemed elected and, in the event of an equal number of votes being returned for any two or more candidates, the Chairman shall exercise a casting vote.

**14. POWERS OF THE CLUB MANAGEMENT:** The management committee shall, for the purpose of carrying out its objectives, acquire, hold, deal with and dispose of, any real or personal property. The committee shall have all the powers conferred by section 25 of the Act.

**15. HONORARY OFFICERS:** The honorary officers of the Club shall consist of the Patron and the Auditor, neither of whom shall be a member of the Executive Committee and who shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

**16. FINANCES:** All monies received by, or on behalf of, the Club shall be paid into the Club's banking accounts. All cheques, bills of exchange, withdrawal forms drawn on the Club's banking accounts are to be signed by any two of the following:- Secretary, Treasurer, President. The Executive Committee shall have sole control of all the monies of the Club. Any major expenses and/or

monetary gifts must be passed by the Executive Committee and then ratified at the next general meeting.

**17. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION:** All or any of the rules of the Club may be added to, altered, amended or annulled at any general meeting of the Club or at a special general meeting. Written notice of any such alteration is to be made to all financial members at least fourteen (14) days prior to any such meeting, in the form of a resolution. Such resolutions must be carried by a three-fourths majority of the members present and voting.

**18. RULES AND REGULATIONS:** The Executive Committee shall have the power to pass rules and make regulations for the conduct and control of any event or other function or the promotion of any object of the Club.

**19. SUB COMMITTEE:** The Executive Committee may appoint sub-committees to perform any duties of the Committee in accordance with the constitution and rules, and may confer on such sub-committee such authority as shall, from time to time, be deemed necessary.

**20. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:**

**20.1 PRESIDENT:** The President shall chair general and executive meetings and have a casting vote, as well as a deliberative vote.

**20.2 SECRETARY:** The Secretary shall record the minutes of all properly convened meetings (which minutes shall be submitted to the next meeting for confirmation). Shall keep a complete list of members, together with their addresses and date of election and conduct the correspondence of the Club. The Secretary shall act under the supervision and direction of the Executive Committee.

**20.3 TREASURER:** The Treasurer shall collect all subscriptions and other moneys due or payable to the Club, issue an official receipt, and pay such moneys into the Club accounts in the name and to the credit of the Club. He/she shall keep a complete list of members and their addresses and shall keep a record of the amount of subscription due by each member from time to time, showing also the date of subsequent payments. He/she shall keep correct account records showing the financial affairs of the Club and shall submit same to the Executive Committee when required, and shall prepare and submit to the Annual General Meeting a balance sheet and statement of accounts, which shall be duly audited. At each general meeting he/she shall report the Club's financial position, stating income received and payments made since the preceding meeting. He/she shall submit all accounts for payment.

**21. DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB:** In the event of the dissolution of the Club, all monies in the Club accounts shall be donated to a charity nominated by the last convened meeting of the Club. All property and personal chattels which are the property of the Club shall be donated to a suitable, like minded car club nominated by the last convened meeting of the Club.