

Melbourne Sportsbike Riders

Incorporated (1987)

Constitution and Road Rules

Rules of the Melbourne Sportsbike Riders

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ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 1981 - SCHEDULE 3

1. The name of the incorporated Association is the -

MELBOURNE SPORTSBIKE RIDERS INCORPORATED

(in these Rules called "the Association")

INTERPRETATION

2. (1) In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears :-

Committee means the Committee of Management of the Association,

Financial Year means the year ending on 30th June

General Meeting means a General Meeting of members convened in accordance with Rule 11

Member means a member of the Association.

Ordinary Member of the Committee means a member of the Committee who is not an officer of the Association under Rule 21(1)

The Act means the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.

The Regulations means regulations under the Act.

- (2) In these Rules, a reference to the Secretary of an Association is a reference :-

(a) Where a person holds office under these rules as Secretary of the Association - to that person; and

(b) in any other case, to the Public Officer of the Association.

- (3) Words or expressions contained in these rules shall be interpreted, in accordance with the provisions of the Acts Interpretation Act 1958 and the Act as in force from time to time.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

3. (1) A natural person who is nominated and approved for membership as provided in these rules is eligible to be a member of the Association on payment of the annual subscription payable under these rules. Written acceptance of the Association's Road Rules, as specified in Appendix 3, will be a requirement for membership. The categories of membership will be:

- (a) **Full Membership**

Full membership will be open to persons who are active motorcyclists, have attended at least three (3) rides organised by the Association and who satisfy the Committee that they would be worthy members. Applications will be sponsored by two (2) financial Full members and one (1) Committee member.

- (b) **Life Membership**

Life membership will be bestowed by the Committee on any member who, in the opinion of the Committee, has given exceptional service to the Association. Life membership will carry all rights of Full membership, but life members will be exempted from paying membership fees.

(c) **Honorary Membership**

Honorary membership may be offered for a specific period to any visiting interstate or overseas motorcyclist or to any person on whom the Committee wishes to bestow the honour. Honorary members will NOT be eligible to vote during their membership.

(d) **Associate Membership**

Associate Membership will be open to persons who have attended at least three (3) functions organised by the Association and who can satisfy the Committee that they would be worthy members. Applications will be sponsored by two (2) financial Full members and (1) Committee member. The following conditions shall apply to Associate members:

- (i) Eligible to vote in the affairs of the association.
- (ii) Ineligible for election as Officers of the Association or as Ordinary members of the Committee.
- (iii) Shall not be entitled to receive editions of the Association magazine.
- (iv) Annual subscriptions to be set at fifty percent (50%) of Full membership rate.
- (v) Shall be a non-rider of motorcycles on association outings.

- (2) A person who is not a member of the Association at the time of the incorporation of the Association (or who was such a member at that time but has ceased to be a member) shall not be admitted to membership : -
 - (a) unless he is nominated as provided in sub clause (3) and
 - (b) his admission as a member is approved by the Committee.
- (3) A nomination of a person for membership of the Association:
 - (a) shall be made in writing in the form set out in Appendix 1; and
 - (b) shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Association.
- (4) As soon as is practicable after the receipt of a nomination, the Secretary shall refer the nomination to the Committee.
- (5) Upon a nomination being referred to the Committee, the Committee shall determine whether to approve or reject the nomination.
- (6) Upon a nomination being approved by the Committee, the Secretary shall, with as little delay as possible, notify the nominee in writing that he is approved for membership of the Association and request payment within a period of 28 days after receipt of the notification of the sum payable under these rules as the annual subscription or pro-rata as per Rule 4(2).
- (7) The Secretary shall, upon payment of the amount referred to in sub-clause (6) within the period referred to in that sub-clause, enter the nominees name in the

register of members kept by him and upon the name being so entered, the nominee becomes a member of the Association,

- (8) A right, privilege or obligation of a person by reason of his membership of the Association; -
- (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person;
 - (b) terminates upon the cessation of his membership whether by death or resignation or otherwise.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

4. (1) The annual subscription is as determined by the Committee and payable in advance before the 1st July each year Membership automatically terminates after that date where fees remain unpaid. The Committee may determine that the annual subscription be changed.
- (2) Pro-rata quarterly subscriptions apply for the first year where a new member joins after the 30th June in any year.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS

5. The Secretary shall keep and maintain a register of members in which shall be entered the full name, address and date of entry of the name of each member and the register shall be available for inspection by members.

RESIGNATION AND EXPULSION OF MEMBER

6. (1) A member of the Association who has paid all moneys due and payable by him to the Association may resign from the Association by first giving one months notice in writing to the Secretary of his intention to resign and upon the expiration of that period of notice, the member shall cease to be a member.
- (2) Upon the expiration of a notice given under sub-clause (1), the Secretary shall make in the register of members an entry recording the date on which the member by whom the notice was given, ceased to be a member.
7. (1) Subject -to these rules, the Committee may by resolution: -
- (a) expel a member from the Association,
 - (b) suspend a member from membership of the Association for a specified period; or
 - (c) fine a member in accordance with the Regulations (*), if the Committee is of the opinion that the member -
 - (i) has refused or neglected to comply with these rules; or
 - (ii) has been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member or prejudicial to the interests of the Association.
- (2) A resolution of the Committee under sub-clause (1):

- (a) does not take effect unless the Committee, at a meeting held not earlier than 14 and not later than 28 days after the service on the member of a notice under sub-clause (3) confirms the resolution in accordance with this clause, and
 - (b) where the member exercises a right of appeal to the Association under this clause does not take effect unless the Association confirms the resolution in accordance with this clause.
- (3) Where the Committee passes a resolution under sub-clause (1), the Secretary shall, as soon as practicable, cause to be served on the member a notice in writing:
- (a) setting out the resolution of the Committee and the grounds on which it is based;
 - (b) stating that the member may address the Committee at a meeting to be held not earlier than 14 and not later than 28 days after service of the notice;
 - (c) stating the date, place and time of that meeting;
 - (d) informing that member that he may do one or more of the following:
 - (i) Attend that meeting;
 - (ii) Give to the Committee before that date of the meeting a written statement seeking the revocation of the resolution;
 - (iii) Not later than 24 hours before the date of the meeting, lodge with the Secretary a notice to the effect that he wishes to appeal to the Association in a General Meeting against the resolution.
- (4) At a meeting of the Committee held in accordance with sub-clause (2), the Committee:
- (a) shall give to the member an opportunity to be heard;
 - (b) shall give due consideration to any written statement submitted by the member; and
 - © shall by resolution determine whether to confirm or to revoke the resolution.
- (5) Where the Secretary receives a notice under sub-clause (3), he shall notify the Committee and the Committee shall convene a General Meeting of the Association to be held within 21 days after the date on which the Secretary received the notice.
- (6) At a General Meeting of the Association convened under sub-clause (5): -
- (a) no business other than the question of the appeal shall be transacted.
 - (b) the Committee may place before the meeting details of the grounds for the resolution and the reasons for the passing of the resolution.
 - (c) the member shall be given an opportunity to be heard; and
 - (d) the members present shall vote by secret ballot on the question whether the resolution should be confirmed or revoked.
- (7) If at the General Meeting:
- (a) two-thirds of the members vote in person or by proxy in favour of the confirmation of the resolution, the resolution is confirmed; and

- (b) in any other case, the resolution is revoked.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

8. (1) The Association shall in each calendar year convene an Annual General Meeting of its members. (**)
- (2) The Annual General Meeting shall be held on such day as the Committee determines.
- (3) The Annual General Meeting shall be specified as such in a notice convening it.
- (4) The ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting shall be: -
- (a) To confirm the minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting and of any General Meeting held since that meeting;
- (b) to receive from the Committee reports upon the transactions of the Association during the last preceding financial year;
- (c) to elect officers of the Association and the ordinary members of the Committee; and
- (d) to receive and consider the statement submitted by the Association in accordance with Sec. 30(3) of the Act.
- (5) The Annual General Meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these rules.
- (6) The Annual General Meeting shall be in addition to any other General Meetings that may be held in the same year,
- (*) The Regulations provide that the Committee of an incorporated Association may impose a fine not exceeding \$20 on a member who commits a breach of the rules of the incorporated Association.
- (**) Section 30 of the Act provides that an incorporated Association shall, at least once in each calendar year, convene a General Meeting, to be called an Annual General Meeting.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

9. All General Meetings other than the Annual General Meeting shall be called Special General Meetings.
10. (1) The Committee may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a Special General Meeting of the Association and, where, but for this sub-clause, more than 15 months would lapse between Annual General Meetings, shall convene a Special General Meeting before the expiration of that period.
- (2) The Committee shall, on the requisition in writing of members representing not less than 5% of the total number of members, convene a Special General Meeting of the Association.
- (3) The requisition for a Special General Meeting shall state the objects of the meeting and shall be signed by the members making the requisition and be sent to the address of the Secretary and may consist of several documents in a like form, each signed by one or more members making the requisition.

- (4) If the Committee does not cause to have a Special General Meeting to be held within one month after the date on which the requisition is sent to the address of the Secretary, the members making the requisition, or any of them, may convene a Special General Meeting to be held not later than 3 months after that date,
- (5) A Special General Meeting convened by members in pursuance of these rules shall be convened in the same manner as nearly as possible as that in which those meetings are convened by the Committee and all reasonable expenses incurred in convening the meeting shall be refunded by the Association to the persons incurring the expenses.

NOTICE OF MEETING

11. (1) The Secretary of the Association shall, at least 14 days before the date fixed for holding a General Meeting of the Association, cause to be sent to each member of the Association at his address appearing in the Register of Members, a notice by pre-paid post stating the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting.
- (2) No business other than that set out in the notice convening the meeting shall be transacted at the meeting.
- (3) a member desiring to bring any business before a meeting may give notice of that business in writing to the Secretary, who shall include that business in the notice calling the next General Meeting after the receipt of the notice.

PROCEEDINGS AT MEETINGS

12. (1) All business that is transacted at a Special General Meeting and all business that is transacted at the Annual General Meeting with the exception of that specially referred to in these rules as being the ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting shall be deemed to be special business.
 - (2) No item of business shall be transacted at a General Meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these rules to vote is present during the time when the meeting is considering that item.
 - (3) Fifteen (15) members personally present (being members entitled under these rules to vote at a General Meeting) constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a General Meeting. A minimum of four (4) members of the Committee must be included in the quorum.
 - (4) If within half an hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a General Meeting, a quorum is not present, the meeting if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved, and in any other case shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and (unless another place is specified by the Chairman at the time of the adjournment or by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place, and if at the adjourned meeting the quorum is not present within a half hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the members present (being not less than eight (8)) shall be a quorum.
13. (1) The President, or in his absence, the Vice-President, shall preside as chairman at each General Meeting of the Association.
 - (2) If the President and the Vice-President are absent from the General Meeting, the members present shall elect one of their number to preside as Chairman at the meeting.

14. (1) The Chairman of a General Meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.
 - (2) Where a meeting is adjourned for fourteen (14) days or more, a like notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of the General Meeting.
 - (3) Except as provided in sub-clauses (1) and (2), it is not necessary to give notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.
15. A question arising at a General Meeting of the Association shall be determined on a show of hands and unless before or on the declaration of the show of hands a poll is demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or carried by a particular majority or lost, and an entry to that effect in the Minute Book of the Association is evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, that resolution.
16. (1) Upon any question arising at a General Meeting of the Association, a member has one (1) vote only.
 - (2) All votes shall be given personally or by proxy.
 - (3) In the case of an equality of voting on a question, the Chairman of the meeting is entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.
17. (1) If at a meeting a poll on any question is demanded by not less than ten members, it shall be taken at that meeting in such a manner as the Chairman may direct and the resolution of the poll shall be deemed to be a resolution of the meeting on that question.
 - (2) A poll that is demanded on the election of a Chairman or on a question of an adjournment shall be taken forthwith and a poll that is demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time before the close of the meeting as the Chairman may direct.
18. A member is not entitled to vote at any General Meeting unless all moneys due and payable by him to the Association have been paid, other than the amount of the annual subscription payable in respect of the current financial year.
19. (1) Each member shall be entitled to appoint another member as his proxy by notice given to the Secretary no later than 24 hours before the time of the meeting in respect of which the proxy is appointed.
 - (2) The notice appointing the proxy shall be in the form set out in Appendix 2.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

20. (1) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Committee of Management constituted as provided in Rule 21.
- (2) **The Committee:**
 - (a) shall control and manage the business and affairs of the Association;
 - (b) may, subject to these rules, the regulations and the Act, exercise all such powers and functions as may be exercised by the Association other than those powers and functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by General Meetings of the members of the Association; and

- (c) subject to these rules, the regulations and the Act, has power to perform all such acts and things as appear to the Committee to be essential for the proper management of the business and affairs of the Association.
- (d) shall ensure that the Public Officer is able to comply with the requirements of the Act by furnishing any books or documents as requested.

21. (1) **The Officers of the Association shall be:**

- (a) a President
- (b) a Vice-President
- (c) a Treasurer
- (d) a Secretary
- (e) an Assistant Secretary

(2) **The Ordinary Members of the Committee shall be:**

- (a) a Club Captain
- (b) a Club Vice Captain
- (c) a Social Secretary
- (d) an Editor

- (3) The provisions of Rule 23 as far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply to and in relation to the election of persons to any of the offices or positions mentioned in sub-clauses (1) and (2).
- (4) Each officer of the Association and Ordinary member of the Committee shall hold office until the Annual General Meeting next after the date of his/her election but is eligible for re-election.
- (5) In the event of a casual vacancy in any office referred to in sub-clause (1), the Committee may appoint one of its members to the vacant office and the member so appointed may continue in office up to and including the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the date of his/her appointment.
- (6) the Committee shall appoint a person to the Office of Public Officer, either a member or non-member, solicitor, accountant or any other agent deemed by the Committee to be appropriate for the position.

22. (1) Subject to Section 23 of the Act, the Committee shall consist of:

- (a) The Officers of the Association; and
- (b) the ordinary members of the Committee as specified in Rule 21 (1) and (2) each of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association in each year.

- (2) In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the office of an ordinary member of the Committee, the Committee may appoint a member of the Association to fill the vacancy and the member so appointed shall hold office, subject to these rules, until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the date of his/her appointment.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ORDINARY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

23. (1) Nominations of candidates for election as officers of the Association or as ordinary members of the Committee shall be called for at the General Meeting preceding the Annual General Meeting. Nominations are to have a nominator and a seconder and have the approval of the nominee. Nominations shall be received up until the President declares nominations closed at the start of the elections. Spaces should be left at the bottom of the ballot paper for nominations received on the night of the Annual General Meeting.
- (2) If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the Committee, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be elected and further nominations shall be received at the Annual General Meeting.
- (3) If the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated shall be deemed to be elected.
- (4) If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled a ballot shall be held.
- (5) The ballot for the election of officers and ordinary members of the Committee shall be conducted at the Annual General Meeting in such usual and proper manner as the Committee may direct.
24. For the purposes of these rules, the office of an officer of the Association or of an ordinary member of the Committee becomes vacant if the officer or member: -
- (a) ceases to be a member of the Association (not applicable to the Office of Public Officer);
- (b) becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Companies (Victoria) Code; or
- (c) resigns his office by notice in writing given to the Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE

25. (1) The Committee shall meet at least 3 times in each year at such place and such times as the Committee may determine.
- (2) Special meetings of the Committee may be convened by the President or by any 4 of the members of the Committee.
- (3) Notice shall be given to the members of the Committee of any special meeting specifying the nature of the business to be transacted and no other business shall be transacted at such a meeting,
- (4) Any 4 members of the Committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Committee.
- (5) No business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present and if within a half hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same place and at the same hour of the same day in the following week unless the meeting was a special meeting in which case it lapses.
- (6) At meetings of the Committee:

- (a) the President or in his absence the Vice-President shall preside; or
 - (b) if the President and the Vice-President are absent, such one of the remaining members of the Committee as may be chosen by the members present shall preside.
- (7) Questions arising at a meeting of the Committee or of any sub Committee appointed by the Committee shall be determined on a show of hands or, if demanded by a member, by a poll taken in such a manner as the person presiding at the meeting may determine.
- (8) Each member present at a meeting of the Committee or of any sub Committee appointed by the Committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote and, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a second or casting vote.
- (9) Written notice of each Committee meeting shall be served on each member of the Committee by delivering it to him at a reasonable time before the meeting or by sending it by pre-paid post to his recorded address at least two business days before the date of the meeting.
- (10) Subject to clause (4) the Committee may act notwithstanding any vacancy on the Committee.

REMOVAL OF MEMBER OF COMMITTEE

26. (1) The Association in General Meeting may by resolution remove any member of the Committee before the expiration of his/her term of office and appoint another member in his/her stead to hold office until the expiration of the term of the first-mentioned member.
- (2) Where the member to whom a proposed resolution referred to in sub clause (1) makes representations in writing to the Secretary or President of the Association (not exceeding a reasonable length) and requests that they be notified to the members of the Association, the Secretary or the President may send a copy of the representations to each member of the Association or, if they are not so sent, the member may require that they be read out at the meeting.

OFFICERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

27. **President**

- (a) be an active motorcyclist
- (b) to act as Chairperson at all official meetings
- (c) to be chief spokesperson for the club
- (d) to maintain order within the club
- (e) to countersign cheques if requested by Treasurer

28. **Vice - President**

- (a) be an active motorcyclist

(b) to aid the President or to take his/her place in the event of his/her absence.

29. **Secretary**

- (a) to be active motorcyclist
- (b) to attend to all correspondence
- (c) to attend to all enquiries from prospective members and obtain their particulars
- (d) to attend to arrangements for overnight functions/camps
- (e) to act as chairperson in the event of the absence of both the President and Vice President
- (f) to countersign cheques if requested by the Treasurer.

30. **Assistant Secretary**

- (a) to record the minutes of all official Association meetings
- (b) to read the minutes of the previous meeting
- (c) to aid the Secretary wherever possible

31. **Treasurer**

- (a) to be in charge of Association financial affairs
- (b) to account for and record all Association financial dealings
- (c) to issue receipts
- (d) to issue cheques for payment of accounts
- (e) to present a report detailing all transactions of the Association and stating current bank balance and cash on hand
- (f) to issue Membership Tickets on payment of fees
- (g) to make books of account available for inspection by members if requested.

32. **Social Secretary**

- (a) to organize all social activities
- (b) to plan Association social functions and games to be held on club outings
- (c) to collect any moneys involved and pass same on to treasurer
- (d) to organize the preparation of supper at Association meetings

33. **Club Captain**

- (a) to be an active motorcyclist
- (b) to be in charge of persons on Association rides
- (c) to appoint a group leader and rear rider
- (d) to ensure the general safety of persons on Association rides

34. **Club Vice-Captain**

- (a) to be an active motorcyclist
- (b) to assist the Club Captain wherever possible and take his/her place in the event of his/her absence

35. **Editor**

To be responsible for the editorship of the Association magazine and to handle public relations.

36. **Public Officer**

Statutory Obligations under the Act

- (a) to notify the Registrar of his/her appointment (Sec. 28(1) of the Act)
- (b) to notify his change of address
- (c) to notify alterations to statement of purposes or rules
- (d) to lodge with the Registrar documents required by Sec. 30(4) of the Act.
- (e) to produce any book on request Sec. 47(5) of the Act.
- (f) to comply with the requirements of the Act.

37. **Cheques**

All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by any two jointly of the President, Secretary or Treasurer.

- 38. (1) The common seal of the Association shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary.
- (2) The common seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the Committee and the affixing of the common seal shall be attested by the signatures either of two members of the Committee or one member of the Committee and the Public Officer of the Association.

39. **Alteration of Rules and Statement of Purposes**

These rules and the Statement of Purposes of the Association shall not be altered except in accordance with Sec. 22 of the Act.

40. (1) **Notices**

A notice may be served by or on behalf of the Association upon any member either personally or by sending it by post to the member at his address shown in the Register of Members.

- (2) Where a document is properly addressed pre-paid and posted to a person as a letter, the document shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed to have been given to the person at the time at which the letter would have been delivered in the ordinary course of post.

41. **Winding Up or Cancellation**

In the event of the winding up or the cancellation of the Incorporation of the Association, the assets of the Association shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

42. **Custody of Records**

Except as otherwise provided in those rules, the Secretary shall keep in his custody or under his control all books, documents and securities of the Association.

43. **Funds**

The funds of the Association shall be derived from annual subscriptions, donations and such other sources as the Committee determines.

Appendix 1

Application for membership of the **Melbourne Sportsbike Riders**

I,

of

(name of applicant)

(address)

(occupation)

desire to become a Full Member of the Melbourne Sportsbike Riders

In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the Association for the time being in force and of the Road Rules of the Association, copies of which I have received.

Signature of Applicant

Date

I,

(name)

a member of the Association, nominate the applicant, who is personally known to me, for membership of the Association.

Signature of Proposer

Date

(name)

I

a member of the Association, second the nomination the applicant, who is personally known to me, for membership of the Association.

Signature of Seconder

Date

(name)

I

a COMMITTEE member of the Association, nominate the applicant, who is known to me personally, for membership of the Association.

Signature of Proposer

Date

Appendix 2

FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

I

of

being a member of the Melbourne Sportsbike Riders

hereby appoint

of

being a member of that Incorporated Association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the General Meeting of the Association (Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, as the case may be) to be held on the day of 20 and at any adjournment of that meeting.

Signed

The day of 20

MELBOURNE SPORTSBIKE RIDERS INCORPORATED (1987)

Hereafter called the Association.

Road Rules of the Association

These road rules shall be issued to all members of the Association and shall be recognised as a component part of the Rules of the Association.

1. The normal road traffic regulations of the particular State apply to those participating in an Association ride.
2. Start the day with a full tank of fuel.
3. A leader and rear rider will be appointed for the day. It is your duty to observe who are the leader and rear rider who have been appointed for the ride or part thereof.
4. At the start of each ride, the leader shall inform the group of the details of the intended ride.
5. Prepare to move off behind the leader when asked to do so.
6. Do not overtake the leader.
7. Proceed at a safe distance from the machine in front (e.g. 2 – 3 second rule).
8. **Overtaking**
 - (a) When overtaking use extreme caution.
 - (b) Ensure that there is ample room in front of the vehicle to be overtaken.
 - (c) Clear indication of your intention to overtake must be given.
 - (d) Only overtake on the right, except where permitted under Road Rule 1.
9. **Corner Markers**
 - (a) When the leader turns a corner, the following two riders must stop and indicate the way to following riders.
 - (b) They must not proceed until the rear rider comes or his messenger advises alternative action to be taken.
 - (c) If a rider does not appear within a reasonable period of time, one of the corner markers may go back to determine the reason for the delay.
 - (d) The leader may at any time indicate additional corner markers.
10. If a machine breaks down, the following two machines and the rear rider shall stop. After estimating the time delay, one of the riders will proceed to inform the corner markers and the leader of the situation. The rear rider shall not overtake any other machine on the ride.
11. No rider shall stop for refreshment or fuel until the leader stops. Check fuel after each stop and top us if you have any doubts at all.
12. All cars travelling with the club shall travel at the rear of all machines or in front of, if so desired. Endeavour shall be made to avoid travelling in convoy.

13. Any member wishing to leave the main body on the journey before the next stop is reached, must first inform the group and the group leader. If this is not possible he must inform the rear rider. He must ensure non-one follows him accidentally.

14. **Secondary Departure Points**

(As specified in the Itinerary)

Riders may form at a secondary departure point and should be ready to leave when a clear signal is given by the approaching leader. The leader may not necessarily stop at this point.

15. Dangerously unroadworthy machines will not be permitted on the day's ride.

16. **Motorcycle Clothing**

(a) The wearing of sandals, thongs or other open-toed shoes is strictly prohibited when travelling on Association rides.

(b) Members shall be encouraged to wear appropriate protective clothing.

17. **Riding Other's Machines**

No member shall ride or interfere with another member's machine without that member's approval.

18. **Membership of Two Clubs**

Where a member belongs to two clubs and both clubs attend the one competitive function, the member, if travelling with the Association, shall compete for the Association.

19. **Alcohol and illicit drugs**

No member shall consume alcohol or illicit drugs during the full duration of any one day ride, nor shall any member carry alcohol or illicit drugs on his/her machine. The carrying or consumption of alcohol may be permitted by all Committee members present, on special occasions only. Breach of this rule shall carry a suspension of three months.

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

The purposes of the Association are:

To promote motorcycle activities and social outings and to foster friendship within the motorcycle field.

Solely for the purpose of furthering the purposes set out above, the Association shall have the power: -

- (a) To take over the funds and other assets and the liabilities of the present unincorporated Association known as MELBOURNE SPORTSBIKE RIDERS.
- (b) To indemnify any person for any loss or damage incurred as a result of having on behalf of the unincorporated Association become liable to pay any amount by way of damages or otherwise.
- (c) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with any other association, club or organisation, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Association provided that the Association shall not subscribe to or support with its funds any club, Association or organisation which does not prohibit the distribution of its income and property among its members to an extent at least as great as that imposed on the Association under or by virtue of the Rules.
- (d) To buy, sell and deal in all kinds of articles, commodities and provisions, both liquid and solid, for the members of the Association or persons frequenting the Association's premises.
- (e) To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any lands, buildings, easements or property, real and personal, and any rights or privileges which may be requisite for the purposes of or capable of being conveniently used in connection with, any of the objects of the Association, provided that in case the Association shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trusts the Association shall only deal with the same in such manner as is allowed by law having regard to such trusts.
- (f) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or Authority that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Association; to obtain from any such Government or Authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the Association may think it desirable to obtain; and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights privileges and concessions.
- (g) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work, manage, carry out, alter or control any houses, buildings, grounds, works or conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advance the Association's interests and to contribute to, subsidise or otherwise assist and take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out, alteration or control thereof.
- (h) To invest and deal with the money of the Association not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be thought fit.
- (i) To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares, debentures or other securities of any company or body corporate.
- (j) To borrow or raise money either alone or jointly with any other person or legal entity in such manner as may be thought proper and whether upon fluctuating advance account or overdraft or otherwise to represent or secure any monies and further advances borrowed or to be borrowed alone or with others as aforesaid by notes secured or unsecured, debentures or debenture stock perpetual or otherwise, or by mortgage, charge lien or other

security upon the whole or any part of the incorporated Association's property or assets present or future and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities.

- (k) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account, or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Association.
- (l) To make or hold mortgages, to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Association's property sold by the Association or any money due to the Association.
- (m) To take any gifts of property whether subject to any special trust or not for any one or more of the objects of the Association but subject always to the proviso in paragraph (e).
- (n) To print and publish any magazine, books or leaflets that the Association may think desirable for the promotion of its objects.
- (o) To amalgamate with any one or more incorporated Associations having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Association and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as that imposed upon the Association under or by virtue of the Rules.
- (p) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any one or more of the incorporated Associations with which the Association is authorized to amalgamate.
- (q) To transfer all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of the Association to any one or more of the incorporated Associations with which the Association is authorized to amalgamate.
- (r) To make donations for charitable community purposes.
- (s) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercises of the powers of the Association.