

**CONSTITUTION of the ITALIAN MOTORCYCLE CLUB**  
**of TASMANIA Inc.**

Amended May 2008, approved October 2008

To be read in conjunction with the Italian Motorcycle Club of Tasmania Bylaws  
(for additional information on administration of Club affairs)

1. The name of the organisation shall be "ITALIAN MOTORCYCLE CLUB of TASMANIA Inc."
2. The object of the Club shall be:
  - (a) to promote interest in Italian motorcycles
  - (b) to provide social interaction for members
  - (c) to pursue other agreed agendas as appropriate (refer Article 2 of the bylaws).
3. Membership shall be open to all persons subscribing to the objects of the Club and paying the prescribed fee. No restrictions shall be imposed on any person by virtue of religious or political beliefs, sex, nationality, race or age, but the committee shall have the right to refuse membership to any person without assigning any reason therefore. Membership shall consist of full members and associate members:
  - (a) full membership will be restricted to persons who own an Italian motorcycle.
  - (b) associate membership may be granted to persons who do not own Italian motorcycles.Only full members who are currently financial will be entitled to vote at meetings and to elect or serve as office bearers.
4. The membership year is March to February inclusive. Members shall not be deemed un-financial until their subscriptions are three months in arrears. Family membership consists of an individual (full or associate member) plus one nominated member of his/her immediate family, who shall have the status of associate member. Membership subscription fees shall be as set out in Article 4 of the IMC Bylaws.
5. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in March each year. At least ten days notice of each meeting shall be given to each member by prepaid letter posted to the members last known address, or via email to the members last known email address, but accidental omission to give notice to any member shall not invalidate the meeting.
6. At each Annual General meeting a Committee shall be elected from amongst the financial (full) members. The Committee officers shall be President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Officer, Editor, Web-Site Co-ordinator, and their tenure shall be subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) The position of any committee member absent for three consecutive general or committee meetings without leave of absence shall automatically become vacant. Acceptance of an apology shall be deemed grant of such leave.
  - (b) The committee shall have the power to co-opt up to two further committee members and may fill casual vacancies.
  - (c) Subject to this Constitution and to any directions of a general meeting the committee may regulate its own affairs as it sees fit.
  - (d) The committee shall be responsible to the Club and shall present an annual report, including a financial statement, to each Annual General Meeting.
  - (e) The Club or the committee may appoint sub-committees with such powers and authority as are specified. Membership of sub-committees need not be confined to the members of the Club.

7. Elections of Office Bearers to form the Committee shall be decided by a vote at the Annual General Meeting. Absentee votes will be accepted prior to the meeting by members of the committee and must be in writing and signed by the absent member.
8. The quorum at general meetings shall be ten financial members or one-sixth of the financial membership, whichever is the greater. The quorum at committee meetings shall be two-thirds of the committee.
9. All monies received shall be deposited in the Club's bank account. Cheques on this are to be signed by any two of the President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
10. The Club shall be dissolved if:
  - (a) a resolution to this effect is carried by three-fifths majority at a general meeting, 21 days notice of the proposed resolution having been given to all members; or
  - (b) the financial membership drop to ten or less members.
11. In the event of the Club being wound up –
  - (a) Every member of the Club; and
  - (b) Every person who, within the period of twelve months immediately preceding the commencement of the winding up was a member of the Club, is liable to contribute to the assets of the Club for payment of any debts or liabilities of the Club and for the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves such sum, NOT exceeding the current membership fee as may be required, but a former member is not liable to so contribute in respect of any debt or liability of the Club contracted after he ceases to be a member.
12. In the event of dissolution all assets (after satisfying all debts and liabilities) and all records shall be dealt with in such a manner (if any) as the general meeting resolving on the dissolution shall determine, provided that no payment or distribution shall be made to members of the Club or to any profit making body.
13. The President shall
  - (a) within 14 days of the receipt of written requisitions to that effect from ten members, call a general meeting to be held within 30 days of such receipt.
  - (b) within 7 days of the receipt of written requisitions to that effect from two committee members call a committee meeting to be held within 15 days of such receipt.
  - (c) If the President has not within the stipulated time called a duly-requisitioned meeting, the requisitioner may themselves call it.
  - (d) The requisitions and the notice of meeting shall set out the business it is desired to transact.
14. Each member or membership (i.e. family membership) shall be entitled to one vote. In the event of an equality of voting on any question it shall be resolved so as to preserve the status quo. The President may exercise a deliberative vote provided this is done before the result is known.
15. The Club may from time to time arrange activities and events for the participation of members and guests. Where those activities involve travel on public roads, it is the responsibility of individual members to ensure that all legally mandated requirements such as licence, registration, MAIB insurance are current and valid for their own vehicle. The Club does not accept any liability or responsibility whatsoever in the event of any accident, injury or loss suffered by any person or organisation that arises as a result of an action or omission by a Club member. Refer to article 10 of the Bylaws for further information.
16. This Constitution may be amended by three-fifths majority at a general meeting, provided 21 days written notice of the proposed amendment has been given to all the members.