

# SANDGROPER CARAVANNERS INC

## Club By-Laws

As revised and adopted by the Management Committee following the Annual General Meeting of the Club held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

### **1: New Member Applications**

- 1.1 Contact details of persons recommended to or who otherwise approach the Club with a view to prospective membership will, in the first instance, be referred to the Membership Secretary who will invite them to complete and lodge an Expression of Interest form. Completed Expressions of Interest forms details shall be entered on a "Schedule of Interested Caravanners" maintained by the Membership Secretary.
- 1.2 In the event that membership vacancies exist or are likely to occur in the near future prospective new members will be invited to attend a suitable forthcoming rally as Club Visitors.
- 1.3 Following their attendance at such rally and confirmation of continuing interest in joining the Club and subject to a perceived consensus of Management Committee members in attendance as to the suitability of the Visitors for membership, an invitation to attend a second rally will be issued together with a Membership Application form and a copy of the Constitution and B y-Laws of the Club.
- 1.4 On attendance at their second rally Club Visitors prospective new members become eligible for membership (Constitution Clause 4.2.1) and may then lodge for submission to the Management Committee, by not later than the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) following scheduled rally, a duly completed Membership Application Form, proposed and seconded by a financial member of the Club (Constitution Clause 4.2.2) together with the currently approved Nomination Fee (Constitution Clause 4.2.3).
- 1.5 Prospective applicants may be included as New Members at the first rally they attend following their completion of qualification requirements subject to agreement by members of the Management Committee in attendance i.e. on attendance at their third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Club rally.
  - 1.5.1 New members' induction shall be ratified at the next meeting of the Management Committee.
- 1.6 If, at the time of receipt by the Club of an eligible Membership Application, there is no longer a membership vacancy, the application will not be accepted, any nomination fee paid will be refunded and the applicant will be retained on the Schedule on Interested Caravanners.
- 1.7 The Management Committee will review the Schedule every six months or at such other times as is deemed appropriate.
- 1.8 After any declaration of potential vacancies by the Management Committee, the Membership Secretary will notify persons remaining non the Schedule of Interested

Caravanners and offer them the opportunity to re-establish their prospective status (refer By-Law 1.2 above).

1.9 In the event that a membership application is refused for reasons other than lack of vacancies, the applicants will be notified, any nomination fee paid refunded and their details will be removed from the Schedule of Interested Caravanners.

## **2 Club Rally Attendance by Visitors**

Members are encouraged to invite visitors to attend Club rallies provided that

2.1 Prior advice, confirming site availability at the rally venue, has been obtained from the Rally Coordinator.

2.1.1 This assumes that the visitors will be providing their own accommodation eg. caravan, tent, etc., or will be renting on-site accommodation.

2.2 A member family may issue a visitor invitation on three (3) occasions in any one financial year.

2.2.1 This limit does not apply in cases where the visitor(s) will be staying in the Member's caravan/site, eg grand children of a solo member accompanied to rallies on a regular basis by one friend as partner.

2.3 Attendance as a visitor prior to lodgement of an Expression of Interest form with the Membership Secretary shall not count towards membership eligibility requirements.

2.4 The member/s are expected to make a donation sufficient to cover cost for their visitors attending a club rally at which refreshments/food are provided by the club.

## **3 Eligibility for election to Management Committee.\**

It is recommended wherever possible and practical to do so that only one member of a family members is elected to serve on the Management Committee at any one time.

## **4 Minutes of Committee Meetings**

Minutes of Committee Meetings to be attached to next Gossip after Meeting (confirmed or not.)