



Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club Inc RULES: Membership



PURPOSE:

These rules shall ensure Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club Inc's (the Club) membership is provided in accordance with the Club's Constitution.

1.0 MEMBERSHIP

Class	Membership	Admission	Rights
Life	Veteran or Senior Member who has rendered valuable and exceptional service to the Club	Proposed by general Committee. Voted by the Club at general meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voting member • Marina berth • Person in Charge • Crew • Club facilities • Club key
Veteran	Senior member for 10 years and sixty (60) years old	Elect to change by writing to Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voting member • Marina berth • Person in Charge • Crew • Club facilities • Club key
Senior	Attained 18 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New member – Membership Application to General Committee • Change of membership for current member – No application. Request in writing to Secretary then to General Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voting member • Marina berth • Person in Charge • Crew • Club facilities • Club key
Associate	Attained 18 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New member – Membership Application to General Committee • Change of membership for current member of at least four years standing – No application. Request in writing to Secretary then to General Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crew Member • Club facilities • Club key
Junior	Up to the age of 18 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New member – Membership Application to general Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crew
Temporary	18 years or more and a crew member in Club race	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary member for day of race 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crew • Club facilities for the day of race

2.0 ASSOCIATE SUB-CLASSES

The following sub-classes are determined under Part II, Cl9, sub-cl (3) of the Club's Constitution;
The General Committee may, upon such grounds and subject to such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, set a lesser annual subscription fee in respect of one or more members of a class of membership than payable by other members of the same class of membership

Class	Membership	Admission	Rights
Sailability	Person with a disability whose sole activity is to participate as a sailor or carer in the Sailability program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New member – Membership Application to General Committee• Current Membership meeting Associate eligibility – No application. Request in writing to Secretary then to General Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participate as a sailor or carer in Sailability program• Club facilities
Student	18 – 25 years of age in full-time study	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New member – Membership Application to general Committee• Current Junior member for four (4) years – No application. Request in writing to Secretary then to General Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crew
Volunteer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attained 18 years of age• Sole activity is volunteering	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New member – Membership Application to General Committee• Current Membership meeting Associate eligibility – No application. Request in writing to Secretary then to General Committee• Must be significantly involved in volunteering positions at the Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Club facilities

3.0 FEES and SUBSCRIPTIONS

Part ii, Cl6, of the Club's Constitution, states

Annual subscription fees in respect of forthcoming year become due and payable upon the conclusion of each Annual General Meeting

4.0 PAYMENT of FEES and SUBSCRIPTIONS

DIRECT DEBIT payments may be entered into

- The first payment must be received before due date of invoice
- Regularly monthly payments made
- Full payment made by 31 March following the issue of the invoice
- A missed payment may make the agreement null and void

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP PLAN may be requested where a member is in financial hardship

- Request must be submitted on approved form two (2) weeks prior to due date of invoice
- Instalments not paid by agreed due date may result in:
 - Cancellation of membership with GRYC
 - Transfer of Marina Berth in accordance with Marina Agreement Cl 3 and Cl 10.03 (c) and (d)

<http://www.gryc.com.au/membership>

5.0 EARLY BIRD FAMILY DISCOUNT (EBFD)

Under Part ii, Cl9, sub-cl (3) of the Club's Constitution, the EBFD is established as a financial incentive to Senior Members to include their family as members of the Club.

Note: This is not a Class of membership; but a Discount fee applied to families.

Everyone under 'Family' has their own class of membership – Senior/Veteran, Associate and Junior/Student

The following criteria is applied:

- Maximum of two (2) adults (1 Senior/Veteran and 1 Associate) and their children, meeting Junior or Student criteria

The following may request an EBFD:

- Existing Senior/Veteran members may receive the discount when paying Annual Subscription Fees; provided they pay the full amount prior to 30 August in year due
- Existing Senior/Veteran members may receive the discount throughout the year when they join up their immediate family for the first time
- New Senior members who join their immediate family at the same time. Pro-rata rules apply

Class	Membership	Admission	Rights
One Senior/Veteran + One Associate + their Juniors/ Students	As per individual approved class of membership: Senior/Veteran, Associate, Junior, Student	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request to receive by writing to Secretary• Membership as per individual Admission rules per class of membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As per individual class of membership; Senior/Veteran, Associate, Junior, Student

6.0 PRO-RATA ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEES

Under Part II, Cl9, sub-cl (3) of the Club's Constitution the pro-rata fee payment process is designed to reduce financial burden on members who join the Club more than halfway during the subscription year.

New members, and current members returning from Leave of Absence, after 1 January of any subscription year, are required to pay the following amount of that year's subscription fees:

- January – 50%, February – 40%, March – 30%, April – 20%, May – 10%, June – No charge

Note: Where a membership was ceased due to non-payment of fees at 30 September of that current year; the full annual amount must be paid.

7.0 Office of Recreation, Sport and racing SPORTS VOUCHER PROGRAM

GRYC as a Registered Sports Provider entitles Primary School Aged children to receive membership at no cost. The parent/guardian are required to complete a Sports Voucher. The Club will submit via the Sports Voucher portal and receive payment.

8.0 CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Part II, Cl10, sub-cl (1) of the Club's Constitution outlines Resignation as a Club member; by

- Expulsion; as per Part III, sub-cl (1)(3)(5)
- Written request and acceptance by General Committee. Provided that if that person is in arrears of subscription fees it may be declined
- Non-payment, before 30 September, of any subscription year and with resolution by the General Committee. Upon receiving payment, The General Committee may re-admit without further nomination
- A Junior member reaching 18 years of age. Where the Junior has been a member for four (4) years they may apply in writing to Secretary for Student, Associate or Senior membership. Where they do not meet this requirement, they are required to make a Membership Application

9.0 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (LoA)

Under Part II, Cl10, sub-cl (2) of the Club's Constitution:

The General Committee may, upon the written application of any member, and upon such grounds and subject to such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, grant a leave of absence from membership to that member

Any member may request in writing to the Secretary a period of one (1) year of Leave of Absence. The General Committee may grant such.

Under Part II, Cl10, sub-cl (3) of the Club's Constitution:

Any member who has received Leave of Absence from membership pursuant to sub-clause (2) hereof, during the period of absence, is not;

- (a) *Obligated to pay annual subscription fees, nor;*
- (b) *Entitled to exercise any rights or privileges of a member of the Club*

APPROVED BY GENERAL COMMITTEE: 02 May 2020

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