

Fly Fish Australia Inc.

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CONSTITUTION Rules and Objects

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FLY FISH AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

TITLE

The name of the association shall be "Fly Fish Australia Incorporated"; The association shall consist of members and be governed by a committee subject to the rules.

OBJECTS

The objects of the association shall be

- 1 To generally promote and develop fly fishing as a sport and conservation method.
- 2 The promotion of fly fishing as a method of angling.
- 3 For Australia to consistently be among the top 10 fly fishing countries in the world.
- 4 To select and manage national teams to participate in the most possible international competitions to further the promotion of Australia as one of the top 10 competitive fly fishing countries in the world;
- 5 To organize international fly fishing competitions in Australia
- 6 To actively seek sponsorship to support participation in international fly fishing events;
- 7 The promotion of catch and release, where appropriate;
- 8 The fostering and encouragement of a spirit of sportsmanship in fly fishing.
- 9 To acquire and disseminate information and to encourage the free exchange of ideas in connection with the foregoing.
- 10 To affiliate or work in cooperation with Government departments and other bodies, kindred associations and persons for the furtherance of the objects of the association or any of them.
- 11 The promotion of social activities amongst fly fishers.
- 12 Such further or other objects as may be conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them, including the ownership, management and sale of real estate, property, investments and chattels.

Rules for Fly Fish Australia Inc

An association incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1984

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Part 1 Preliminary

Definitions

(1) In these rules:

Commissioner means the Commissioner of the Department of Fair Trading. **ordinary member** means a member of the committee who is not

an office-bearer of the association, as referred to in rule 14(2).

junior member means a member who is 18 y.o. or younger on July 1st of the current year.

Family member means a family with a voting right of one person.

secretary means:

- (a) the person holding office under these rules as secretary of the association, or
- (b) if no such person holds that office – the public officer of the association.

Special general meeting means a general meeting of the association other than an annual general meeting.

the Act means the Associations Incorporation Act 1984.

the regulation means the Associations Incorporation Regulation 1999.

(2) In these rules:

(a) a reference to a function includes a reference to a power, authority and duty, and

(b) a reference to the exercise of a function includes, if the function is a duty, a reference to the performance of the duty.

(3) The provisions of the Interpretation Act 1987 apply to and in respect of these rules in the same manner as those provisions would so apply if these rules were an instrument made under the Act.

PART 2 – MEMBERSHIP

2 Membership qualifications

An applicant is qualified to be a member of the association if, but only if:

- (a) the applicant:
 - (i) has applied for membership of the association as provided by rule 3.

3 Application for membership

(1) Membership of the association will commence:

(a) upon receipt by an authorised representative of the association of the form set out in Appendix 1 to these rules together with the prescribed fees, or

(b) upon payment of the prescribed fees together with contact details given to an authorised representative of the association.

(2) the secretary must, on receiving details of the new member enter the new members name in the register of members of the association.

4 Cessation of membership

A person ceases to be a member of the association if the person:

- (a) dies, or
- (b) resigns membership, or
- (c) is expelled from the association.
- (d) whose annual subscription is overdue for more than six months.

5 Membership entitlements not transferable

A right, privilege or obligation which a person has by reason of being a member of the association:

- (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person, and
- (b) terminates on cessation of the person's membership.

6 Resignation of membership

(1) A member of the association is not entitled to resign that membership except in accordance with this rule.

(2) A member of the association who has paid all amounts payable by the member to the association in respect of the member's membership may resign from membership of the association by first giving to the secretary written notice of at least one month (or such other period as the committee may determine) of the member's intention to resign and, on the expiration of the period of notice, the member ceases to be a member.

(3) If a member of the association ceases to be a member under clause (2), and in every other case where a member ceases to hold membership, the secretary must make an appropriate entry in the register of members recording the date on which the member ceased to be a member and there shall be no refund of subscription fees paid by that member.

7 Register of members

(1) The secretary of the association must establish and maintain a register of members of the association specifying the name and address of each person who is a member of the association together with the date on which the person became a member.

(2) The register of members must be kept at the principal place of administration of the association and must be open for inspection, free of charge, by any member of the association at any reasonable hour.

8 Fees and Subscriptions

(1) The entrance fee for the association shall be determined by the committee from time to time.

(2) Members of the association shall pay an annual subscription fee in such amount as may be determined by the committee from time to time.

9 Members' liabilities

The liability of a member of the association to contribute towards the payment of the debts and liabilities of the association or the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up of the association is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid by the member in respect of membership of the association as required by rule 8.

10 Resolution of internal disputes

(1) Disputes between members (in their capacity as members) of the association, and disputes between members and the association, are to be referred to a community justice centre for mediation in accordance with the Community Justice Centres Act 1983.

(2) At least 7 days before a mediation session is to commence, the parties are to exchange statements of the issues that are in dispute between them and supply copies to the mediator.

11 Disciplining of members

- (1) A complaint may be made to the committee by any person that a member of the association:
 - (a) has persistently refused or neglected to comply with a provision or provisions of these rules, or
 - (b) has persistently and wilfully acted in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the association, or contrary to the objects of the association.
- (2) On receiving such a complaint, the committee:
 - (a) must cause notice of the complaint to be served on the member concerned; and
 - (b) must give the member at least 14 days from the time the notice is served within which to make submissions to the committee in connection with the complaint, and
 - (c) must take into consideration any submissions made by the member in connection with the complaint.
- (3) The committee may, by resolution, suspend the member from the membership of the association,

after considering the complaint and any submissions made in connection with the complaint, until the next annual general meeting of the association, at which meeting the question of whether or not the member shall be reinstated or expelled from the association will be determined.

(4) If the committee suspends a member, the secretary must, within 7 days after the action is taken, cause written notice to be given to the member of the action taken, of the reasons given by the committee for having taken that action, and stating the date, place and time of the next annual general meeting.

(5) At the meeting referred to in clause (4)

(a) the committee and the member shall be given the opportunity to state their respective cases orally, or in writing, or both.

(b) the members present shall vote by secret ballot on the question of whether the resolution should be confirmed or dismissed.

Classes of Membership

(1) Foundation Members

Foundation members shall have the same rights as life members .

(2) Ordinary Members Family Members and Junior Members

The ordinary members, family members and junior members shall be such persons that after applying in the manner prescribed hereunder shall become ordinary members, family members or junior members and shall have paid their entrance fee and a first annual subscription. The association shall be an equal opportunity association. Ordinary members shall be entitled to attend all meetings of members and to have one vote. Family membership shall have a voting right of one person thereat.

(3) Sponsor Members

The sponsor members of the association shall consist of such individuals, corporations and other organisations (whether incorporated or not) who have entered into a commitment with the association to sponsor one (1) or more of the major activities of the association and who are admitted to memberships as sponsor members from time to time by resolution of the committee. sponsor members shall be members of the association during the calendar year during which the event or events which they have committed to sponsor are being held. A sponsor member shall not be required to pay any fee but shall be required to meet the obligations undertaken by them to sponsor one (1) or more of the major activities of the association as aforesaid. Sponsor members shall be entitled to receive notice of and to attend all meetings of the association but shall not be entitled to vote thereat.

(4) Honorary Members

The committee may elect honorary members for a period not exceeding the expiration of the financial year from the date of election and may revoke any such election. Honorary members shall not be entitled to vote at any meetings.

(5) Honorary Life Members

The association may grant an honorary life membership to any member that has rendered conspicuous service to the association or to its objectives and honorary life members shall not be required to pay annual subscriptions. Honorary life members shall have the same voting rights as ordinary members.

(6) Club Members:

Any fishing club approved by the committee that does not discriminate in its membership criteria or any class of person. Each club shall be entitled to nominate one delegate to attend meetings of the association and that delegate shall on producing written notification of the delegation be entitled to exercise one vote at such meetings.

Part 3 The committee

13 Powers of the committee

The committee is to be called the committee of management of the association and, subject to the Act, the Regulation and these rules and to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting:

(a) is to control and manage the affairs of the association, and

(b) may exercise all such functions as may be exercised by the association, other than those functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by a general meeting of members of the association, and

(c) has power to perform all such acts and do all such things as appear to the committee to be necessary or desirable for the proper management of the affairs of the association.

14 Constitution and membership

(1) Subject in the case of the first members of the committee to section 21 of the Act, the committee is to consist of:

- (a) the office-bearers of the association, and
- (b) 6 ordinary members,

each of whom is to be elected at the annual general meeting of the association under rule 15.

(2) The office-bearers of the association are to be:

- (a) the president
- (b) the vice-president
- (c) the treasurer, and
- (d) the secretary

(3) Each member of the committee is, subject to these rules, to hold office until the conclusion of the annual general meeting following the date of the member's election, but is eligible for re-election.

(4) In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the membership of the committee, the committee may appoint a member of the association to fill the vacancy and the member so appointed is to hold office, subject to these rules, until the conclusion of the annual general meeting next following the date of the appointment.

15 Election of members

(1) Nominations of candidates for election as office-bearers of the association or as ordinary members of the committee:

(a) must be made in writing, signed by 2 members of the association and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of the nomination), and

(b) must be delivered to the secretary of the association at least 7 days before the date fixed for the holding of the annual general meeting at which the election is to take place.

(2) If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the committee, the candidates nominated are taken to be elected and further nominations are to be received at the annual general meeting.

(3) If insufficient further nominations are received, any vacant positions remaining on the committee are taken to be casual vacancies.

(4) If the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated are taken to be elected.

(5) If the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot is to be held.

(6) The ballot for the election of office-bearers and ordinary members of the committee is to be conducted at the annual general meeting in such usual and proper manner as the committee may direct.

16 Secretary

(1) the Secretary of the association must, as soon as practicable after being appointed as secretary, lodge notice with the association of his or her address.

(2) It is the duty of the secretary to keep minutes of:

- (a) all appointments of office-bearers and members of the committee,
- (b) the names of members of the committee present at a committee meeting or a general meeting, and
- (c) all proceedings at committee meetings and general meetings.

(3) Minutes of proceedings at a meeting must be signed by the chairperson of the meeting or by the chairperson of the next succeeding meeting.

17 Treasurer

It is the duty of the treasurer of the association to ensure:

(a) that all money due to the association is collected and received and that all payments authorised by the association are made,

and

(b) that correct books and accounts are kept showing the financial affairs of the association, including full details of all receipts and expenditure connected with the activities of the association.

18 Casual vacancies

For the purposes of these rules, a casual vacancy in the office of a member of the committee occurs if the member:

- (a) dies, or
- (b) ceases to be a member of the association, or
- (c) becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Corporations Act 2001 of the Commonwealth, or
- (d) resigns office by notice in writing given to the secretary, or
- (e) is removed from office under rule 19, or
- (f) becomes a mentally incapacitated person, or
- (g) is absent without the consent of the committee from all meetings of the committee held during a period of 6 months.

19 Removal of member

(1) The association in general meeting may by resolution remove any member of the committee from the office of member before the expiration of the member's term of office and may by resolution appoint another person to hold office until the expiration of the term of office of the member so removed.

(2) If a member of the committee to whom a proposed resolution referred to in clause (1) relates makes representations in writing to the secretary or president (not exceeding a reasonable length) and requests that the representation 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 the representations are not so sent, the member is entitled to require that the representations be read out at the meeting at which the resolution is considered.

20 Meetings and quorum

(1) The committee must meet at least 3 times in each period of 12 months at such place and time as the committee may determine.

(2) Additional meetings of the committee may be convened by the president or by any member of the committee.

(3) Oral or written notice of a meeting of the committee must be given by the secretary to each member of the committee at least 48 hours (or such other period as may be unanimously agreed on by the members of the committee) before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.

(4) Notice of a meeting given under clause (3) must specify the general nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting and no business other than that business is to be transacted at the meeting, except business which the committee members present at the meeting unanimously agree to treat as urgent business.

(5) Any 4 members of the committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the committee.

(6) No business is to be transacted by the committee unless a quorum is present and if, within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting, a quorum is not present, the meeting is to stand adjourned to the same place and at the same hour of the same day in the following week.

(7) If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting is to be dissolved.

(8) At a meeting of the committee:

- (a) the president or, in the president's absence, the vice-president is to preside, or
- (b) if the president and the vice-president are absent or unwilling to act, such one of the remaining members of the committee as may be chosen by the members present at the meeting is to preside.

21 Delegation by committee to sub-committee

(1) The committee may, by instrument in writing, delegate to one or more sub-committees (consisting of such member or members of the association as the committee thinks fit) the exercise of such of the functions of the committee as are specified in the instrument, other than:

- (a) this power of delegation, and
 - (b) a function which is a duty imposed on the committee by the Act or by any other law.
- (2) A function the exercise of which has been delegated to a subcommittee under this rule may, while the delegation remains unrevoked, be exercised from time to time by the sub-committee in accordance with the terms of

the delegation.

(3) A delegation under this section may be made subject to such conditions or limitations as to the exercise of any function, or as to time or circumstances, as may be specified in the instrument of delegation.

(4) Despite any delegation under this rule, the committee may continue to exercise any function delegated.

(5) Any act or thing done or suffered by a sub-committee acting in the exercise of a delegation under this rule has the same force and effect as it would have if it had been done or suffered by the committee.

(6) The committee may, by instrument in writing, revoke wholly or in part any delegation under this rule.

(7) A sub-committee may meet and adjourn, as it thinks proper.

22 Voting and decisions

(1) Questions arising at a meeting of the committee or of any subcommittee appointed by the committee are to be determined by a majority of the votes of members of the committee or subcommittee present at the meeting.

(2) Each member present at a meeting of the committee or of any subcommittee appointed by the committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote but, in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a second or casting vote.

(3) Subject to rule 20(5), the committee may act despite any vacancy on the committee.

(4) Any act or thing done or suffered, or purporting to have been done or suffered, by the committee or by a sub-committee appointed by the committee, is valid and effectual despite any defect that may afterwards be discovered in the appointment or qualification of any member of the committee or sub-committee.

Part 4 General meeting

23 Annual general meetings – holding of

(1) With the exception of the first annual general meeting of the association, the association must, at least once in each calendar year and within the period of 6 months after the expiration of each financial year of the association, convene an annual general meeting of its members.

24 Annual general meetings – calling of and business at

(1) The annual general meeting of the association is, subject to the Act and to rule 23, to be convened on such date and at such place and time as the committee thinks fit. When ever possible the annual general meeting shall be held in conjunction with the national championships.

(2) In addition to any other business which may be transacted at an annual general meeting, the business of an annual general meeting is to include the following:

(a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding annual general meeting and of any special general meeting held since that meeting,

(b) to receive from the committee reports on the activities of the association during the last preceding financial year,

(c) to elect office-bearers of the association and ordinary members of the committee,

(d) to receive and consider the statement which is required to be submitted to members under section 26(6) of the Act.

(3) An annual general meeting must be specified as such in the notice convening it.

25 Special general meetings – calling of

(1) The committee may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a special general meeting of the association.

(2) The committee must, on the requisition in writing of at least 5 per cent of the total number of members, convene a special general meeting of the association.

(3) A requisition of members for a special general meeting:

(a) must state the purpose or purposes of the meeting, and

(b) must be signed by the members making the requisition, and

(c) must be lodged with the secretary, and

(d) may consist of several documents in a similar form, each signed by one or more of the members making the requisition.

(4) If the committee fails to convene a special general meeting to be held within 1 month after that date on which a requisition of members for the meeting is lodged with the secretary, any one or more of the members who

made the requisition may convene a special general meeting to be held not later than 3 months after that date.

(5) A special general meeting convened by a member or members as referred to in clause (4) must be convened as nearly as is practicable in the same manner as general meetings are convened by the committee and any member who consequently incurs expenses is entitled to be reimbursed by the association for any expense so incurred.

26 Notice

(1) Except if the nature of the business proposed to be dealt with at a general meeting requires a special resolution of the association, the secretary must, at least 14 days before the date fixed for the holding of the general meeting, give a notice to each member specifying the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business proposed to be transacted at the meeting.

(2) If the nature of the business proposed to be dealt with at a general meeting requires a special resolution of the association, the secretary must, at least 21 days before the date fixed for the holding of the general meeting, cause notice to be given to each member specifying, in addition to the matter required under clause (1), the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution.

(3) No business other than that specified in the notice convening a general meeting is to be transacted at the meeting except, in the case of an annual general meeting, business which may be transacted under rule 24(2).

(4) A member desiring to bring any business before a general meeting may give notice in writing of that business to the secretary who must include that business in the next notice calling a general meeting given after receipt of the notice from the member.

27 Procedure

(1) No item of business is to be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these rules to vote is present during the time the meeting is considering that item.

(2) Ten members present in person (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.

(3) If within half an hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting:

(a) if convened on the requisition of members, is to be dissolved,
and

(b) in any other case, is to stand adjourned to the same day in the following week at the same time and (unless another place is specified at the time of the adjournment by the person presiding at the meeting or communicated by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place.

(4) If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the members present (being at least 5) is to constitute a quorum.

28 Presiding member

(1) The president or, in the president's absence, the vice-president, is to preside as chairperson at each general meeting of the association.

(2) If the president and the vice-president are absent or unwilling to act, the members present must elect one of their numbers to preside as chairperson at the meeting.

29 Adjournment

(1) The chairperson of a general meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the majority of members present at the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business is to be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.

(2) If a general meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, the secretary must give written or oral notice of the adjourned meeting to each member of the association stating the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

(3) Except as provided in clauses (1) and (2), notice of an adjournment of a general meeting or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting is not required to be given.

30 Making of decisions

(1) A question arising at a general meeting of the association is to 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 chairperson that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or carried by a particular majority or lost, or 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.

(2) At a general meeting of the association, a poll may be demanded by the chairperson or by at least 5 members present in person or by proxy at the meeting.

(3) If a poll is demanded at a general meeting, the poll must be taken;

(a) immediately in the case of a poll which relates to the election of the chairperson of the meeting or to the question of an adjournment, or

(b) in any other case, in such manner and at such time before the close of the meeting as the chairperson directs,

and the resolution of the poll on the matter is taken to be the resolution of the meeting on that matter.

31 Special resolution

A resolution of the association is a special resolution:

(a) if it is passed by a majority which comprises at least three-quarters of such members of the association as, being entitled under these rules so to do, vote in person or by mail, email, fax or proxy at a general meeting of which at least 21 days' written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution was given in accordance with these rules, or

32 Voting

(1) On any question arising at a general meeting of the association a member has one vote only.

(2) All votes must be given personally or by mail, email, fax or proxy but no member may hold more than 5 proxies.

(3) In the case of an equality of votes on a question at a general meeting, the chairperson of the meeting is entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.

(4) A member or proxy is not entitled to vote at any general meeting of the association unless all money due and payable by the member or proxy to the association has been paid, other than the amount of the annual subscription payable in respect of the then current year.

33 Appointment of proxies

(1) Each member is to be entitled to appoint another member as 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 is to be in the form set out in Appendix 2 to these rules.

Part 5 Miscellaneous

34 Insurance

The association shall take out such insurances as the committee considers adequate to protect the association against claims for public risk arising from the activities of the association or possession by the association of Real Estate, property or chattels, and against loss to the association through fire or such other hazard as it may think fit and without limiting the foregoing the association shall effect and maintain insurance pursuant to Section 44 of the Association Incorporation Act (NSW) 1984.

35 Funds – source

(1) The funds of the association are to be derived from entrance fees and annual subscriptions of members, donations and, subject to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting, such other sources as the committee determines.

(2) All money received by the association must be deposited as soon as practicable and without deduction to the credit of the association's bank account.

(3) The association must, as soon as practicable after receiving any money, issue an appropriate receipt.

36 Funds – management

(1) Subject to any resolution passed by the association in general meeting, the funds of the association are to be used in pursuance of the objects of the association in such manner as the committee determines.

(2) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments must be signed by any 2 members of the committee or employees of the association, being members or employees authorised to do so by the committee.

37 Alteration of objects and rules

The statement of objects and these rules may be altered, rescinded or added to only by a special resolution of the association.

38 Custody of books

Except as otherwise provided by these rules, the secretary must keep in his or her custody or under his or her control all records, books and other documents relating to the association.

39 Inspection of books

The records, books and other documents of the association must be open to inspection, free of charge, by a member of the association at any reasonable hour.

40 Service of notices

(1) For the purpose of these rules, a notice may be served on or given to a person:

(a) by delivering it to the person personally, or

(b) by sending it by pre-paid post to the address of the person, or

(c) by sending it by facsimile transmission or some other form of electronic transmission to an address specified by the person for giving or serving the notice.

(2) for the purpose of these rules, a notice is taken, unless the contrary is proved, to have been given or served:

(a) in the case of a notice given or served personally, on the date on which it is received by the addressee, and

(b) in the case of a notice sent by pre-paid post, on the date when it would have been delivered in the ordinary course of post, and

(c) in the case of a notice sent by facsimile transmission or some other form of electronic transmission, on the date it was sent, or if the machine from which the transmission was sent produces a report indicating that the notice was sent on a later date, on that date.

41. Interpretation of the rules

The committee shall be the sole authority for the interpretation of these rules and of the by-laws made there under and the decision of the committee upon any question of interpretation or upon any matter affecting the association and not provided for by these rules or by the by-laws the decision made there under shall be final and binding on the members.

42 Indemnification of Committee members or Officers

Every committee member or officer of the association or other person who has undertaken or is about to undertake any liability on behalf of the association and their heirs, executors and administrators, respectively, shall from time to time and at all times. Be indemnified and saved harmless, out of the funds of the association, for and against;

(a) All costs, charges and expenses whatsoever which such, committee member officer or other person sustains or incurs in or about any action, suit of proceeding which is brought,

commenced or prosecuted against them for or in respect of any act, deed, matter or thing whatsoever made, done or permitted by them in or about the execution of the duties of that persons office or in respect of any such liability; and

(b) All other costs, charges and expenses which that person sustains or incurs in or about or in relation to the affairs thereof; except such costs, charges or expenses as are occasioned by that persons own willful neglect or default.

43 By-Laws

The committee, may from time to time make, alter and repeal bylaws for the internal management of the association, providing that such by-laws are not inconsistent with the rules of the association, will be binding on all members.

(1) All such by-laws shall be recorded and made available to any member on request.

44 Winding up

(a) At the first annual general meeting of the association, the association shall pass a special resolution nominating an incorporated association as the association in which it is to vest its surplus property pursuant to section 53 (2) of the Act in the event of the winding up or the cancellation of the incorporation of the association.

(b) The incorporated association so nominated shall be one which fulfils the requirements specified in section 53 (2) (a-c) of the Act.

Part 6 By-Laws

1 Team Selection Committee

(1) No member who sits on the management committee shall be appointed to the selection committee.

(2) Prior to the holding of the Australian Fly Fishing Championship each year the committee shall approve a method to appoint the selection committee from the membership comprising not less than five (5) members, and to provide procedures for the selection committee to follow.

(3) Following the Australia Fly Fishing Championship the selection committee shall select the squad/s in accordance with the procedures determined by the committee in the absence of such procedures, the selection committee shall use such procedures it deems appropriate.

(4) If a member of the selection committee dies, resigns from the committee or the association or is suspended from the association then the committee shall appoint another member to sit on the selection committee.

2 Australian Team Captains

(1) The committee shall call for written applications from members, for the position of team captain of the Australian Fly Fishing Team for the World Championship, Commonwealth Championship and Oceania Championship. members who apply shall not be prevented from competing in the Australian Fly Fishing Championship by virtue of their application.

(2) The committee shall appoint the team captain/s for those championships.

(3) The team captain shall not fish in any World Championship, Commonwealth Championship or Oceania Championship without the express approval of the committee.

3 Australian fly fishing championships

Until such time as the Committee otherwise determines the following members shall be eligible to compete in the Australian Fly Fishing Championships;

1. State competitions as well as standing alone are also qualifying events for the Fly Fish Australia National Championships.

- At the time of registering at state competitions competitors must nominate if they are seeking to use the competition to qualify for the FFA National Championships of the same year.
 - Only financial members of FFA at the time of registration can seek to qualify for the national championships.
 - From 2006 members of FFA have been entitled to seek to qualify to fish at the Nationals at as many competitions as they like.
 - The maximum number of competitors that can qualify to fish at a National Competition is the 1/3 of total competitors (rounded up) in a competition.
 - Positions not filled at one competition will not be transferable to another competition.
2. Subject to fishing in at least one state competition members of FFA who travel to and participate at Worlds competitions & Commonwealth Competitions as, team members including fishing team members, reserves, or other positions appointed by the board of FFA such as non-fishing team captains and team managers are granted automatic entry to the nationals in the same year they participate in the Worlds competition or Commonwealth Competition. Members of Oceania teams do not get automatic entry to the nationals and are expected to qualify for entry through state competitions."
 3. Such other members as the committee may determine.

4 World Commonwealth and Oceania Championship Squads

- (1) Prior to the Australian Fly Fishing Championship each year the committee shall determine the number of members to make up the squads for the relevant international competitions.
- (2) Any member who finishes in the top ten individual rankings in a World Championship shall automatically be in the squad for the next World Championship team that has yet to be selected.

5 Australian Fly Fishing Teams

- (1) Unless otherwise determined by the committee, the Australian Fly Fishing Squad to compete in World, Commonwealth and Oceania Fly Fishing Championships shall consist of;
 - (a) The Team Captain
 - (b) The required number of competing members
 - (c) At least one reserve member per team
- (2) The team shall be selected from the squad by the team captain at the conclusion of practice before each fly fishing championship.
- (3) The team captain shall have the power to make any decisions necessary for the proper management of the squad and the team including the power to take such disciplinary action as the team captain thinks necessary.

6 Guests

Any member of the Association may apply to the committee to accompany the team to a competition as a guest and the committee together with the captain shall determine who accompanies the team as guests.

Appendix 1

(Rule 3 (1))

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF ASSOCIATION

Fly Fish Australia Incorporated (incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1984.

I,.....
of.....
..... Phone
number..... Mob..... Email
.....

.....hereby apply to become a
(occupation) member of the above named incorporated association. 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.

.....
Signature of applicant

Date.....

Appendix 2

(Rule 33 (1))
FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

I,.....of.....
(full name) (address)

being a member of Fly Fish Australia Incorporated
(name of incorporated association)

hereby appoint of.....
(full name of proxy) (address)

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.....
(month and year)

and at any adjournment of that meeting.

- * My proxy is authorised to vote in favour of/against (delete as appropriate) the resolution (insert details).
- * to be inserted if desired.

..... Signature of member appointing
proxy

Date.....

NOTE: A proxy vote may not be given to a person who is not a member of the association