

BAIRNSDALE GOLF CLUB Inc.

BY-LAWS

All By-Laws are to be read and considered in conjunction with the Rules of the Club as contained in the Constitution. In the event of any ambiguity the Rules will take precedence. The authority of the Committee of Management to create and/or amend By-Laws is described in the Club Constitution at Rule 39-7

CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP BY-LAW

AS AT June 2026

All applications for Membership must be made, and shall be processed, in accordance with Rules 11 & 12 of the Club Constitution. Effectively an application in writing to become a Member in a specific Category that has been seconded by a Club Member, and then acceptance by the Committee. Initial applications, and any subsequent requests to Club administration to change to another Category of membership, if age related, must include confirmation of Date of Birth which will be recorded. All age determined membership categories are based on the member being the acceptable age prior to the commencement of the financial year.

The Rights, Obligations and Liabilities of Membership are defined in Rules 13 to 19 of the Constitution.

The Membership of the Club shall comprise the following categories:

- 1.0 Life Members
- 2.0 Full Golfing Membership
- 3.0 Bowling Membership
- 4.0 Bowling Introductory Membership
- 5.0 Veteran Membership
- 6.0 Country Membership
- 7.0 Mid Country Membership
- 8.0 Age 14 and under Membership
- 9.0 Age 15-18 Membership
- 10.0 Age 19-29 Membership
- 11.0 Age 30-39 Membership
- 12.0 Non-Competition Access Membership
- 13.0 3 Days a Week Membership
- 14.0 3 Month Membership
- 15.0 9 Hole Membership
- 16.0 PGA Membership
- 17.0 Social Membership
- 18.0 Honorary Members
- 19.0 Temporary Members

1.0 Life Members:

The definition and the conditions for the granting of Life Membership are contained in the Club Constitution, see Rule 9.

2.0 Full Golfing Membership:

- a) A Full Golfing Member is a person who has attained the age of 18 years and has paid the annual subscription fee for Golfing Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee.
- b) Full Golfing Members shall enjoy all rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership, and have full access to the Club's facilities and the golf course, and may access the bowling rinks for social games, social competitions or by invitation of the Bowls Club Committee.
- c) Golfing Members are entitled members.

3.0 Bowling Membership:

- a) A Bowling Member is a person who has attained the age of 18 years and has paid the annual subscription fee for Bowling Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee.
- b) Bowling Members shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership, and have full access to the Club's facilities and bowling rinks but not the golf course except on payment of applicable green fees.
- c) Bowling Membership can be combined with Golf Membership at a rate set by Committee of Management
- d) Bowling Members are entitled members.

4.0 Bowling Introductory Membership:

- a) Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of Bowling Membership except Bowling Introductory Membership is not Entitled Membership, and will have at the discretion of the Committee of Management restrictions placed on the availability of booking into competitions and the types of competitions the Member can participate in.
- b) Bowling Introductory Membership can only be occupied for a maximum of twenty-three months and must align with the club's membership year.
- c) Applicants can only join the Club as a Bowling Introductory Membership once, and existing members cannot transfer to this category.
- d) Bowling Members are not entitled members.

5.0 Veteran Membership

- a) A Veteran Member is a member who has attained the age of 75 years prior to commencement of the membership year and has paid the annual subscription fee for Veteran Membership together with any levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee.
- b) Veterans Membership also applies to 9 Hole membership
- c) Veteran Members shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of their substantive categories of membership.
- d) Veteran Members are entitled Members.
- e) Veteran 9 Hole Members are not entitled members

6.0 Country Membership

- a) A Country Member is a person who has attained the age of 18 years, primarily resides outside a radius of 100 kilometres from the Bairnsdale Golf Club and has paid the annual subscription fee for Country Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee.
- b) A Country Member is entitled to play a maximum of forty (40) rounds of golf in a financial year. A round of golf is defined as one (1) or more holes played in a 24-hour period. Country Members must pay the applicable green fee for rounds played over and above the forty-round entitlement.
- c) Country Members may play in Club competitions, championships, pennants and special competitions. Other than clause 6.0 b), Country members shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities, and obligations of Club membership and have full access to the Club's facilities.
- d) Country Members are entitled members.

7.0 Mid Country Membership

- a) A Mid Country Member is a person who has attained the age of 18 years, resides between 50-100 kilometres from the Bairnsdale Golf Club and has paid the annual subscription fee for Mid Country Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee.
- b) A Mid Country Member is entitled to play a maximum of forty (40) rounds of golf in a financial year. A round of golf is defined as one (1) or more holes played in a 24-hour period. Mid Country Members must pay the applicable green fee for rounds played over and above the forty-round entitlement.
- c) Mid Country Members may play in Club competitions, championships, pennants and special competitions. Other than clause 6.0 b), Country members shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities, and obligations of Club membership and have full access to the Club's facilities.
- d) Mid Country Members are entitled members.

8.0 Age 14 and under Membership

- a) An Age 14 and under Member is a person who is under the age of 15 years prior to the commencement of the membership year and has paid the annual subscription fee for Age 14 and under Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee.
- b) Age 14 and under Members may play in Club competitions, championships, pennants and special competitions and, subject to this clause and 9.c), shall enjoy the privileges of Club membership. They shall have full access to the Club's facilities, provided that Members under the age of 18 years shall only have access to the licensed area of the Club in association with sporting activities or during presentation functions in accordance with the approval of the Director of Liquor Licensing.
- c) Age 14 and under Members are not entitled members.

9.0. Age 15 -18 Membership

- a) An Age 15 -18 Member is a person who is between the Age of 15-18 years prior to the commencement of the membership year. Once appointed to that category of membership and having paid the annual subscription fee for Age 15 -18 Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee, the Member shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership.
- b) Age 15 -18 Members may play in Club competitions, championships, pennants and special competitions and, subject to this clause and 8.c), shall enjoy the privileges of Club membership. They shall have full access to the Club's facilities, provided that Members under the age of 18 years shall only have access to the licensed area of the Club in association with sporting activities or during presentation functions in accordance with the approval of the Director of Liquor Licensing.
- c) Age 15 - 18 Members are not entitled Members.

10.0. Age 19 -29 Membership

- a) An Age 19 -29 Member is a person who is between the Age of 19-29 years prior to the commencement of the membership year. Once appointed to that category of membership and having paid the annual subscription fee for Age 19 -29 Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee, the Member shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership.
- b) Age 19 - 29 Members are entitled Members.

11.0 Age 30-39 Membership

- a) An Age 30-39 Member is a person who is between the Age of 30-39 years prior to the commencement of the membership year. Once appointed to that category of membership and having paid the annual subscription fee for Age 30-39 Membership together with any entrance fee, levy or charges set from time to time by the Committee, the Member shall enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership.
- b) Age 30-39 Members are entitled Members.

12.0 Non-Competition Access Membership:

- a) Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership except Non-Competition Access Membership is not Entitled Membership and excludes the Members from playing in club competitions. Non-Competition Access Members may be granted access to club competitions at the discretion of the Committee of Management as determined from time to time and upon the payment of a Green Fee.
- b) Non-Competition Access Membership is not Entitled Membership.

13.0 3 Days a Week Membership:

- a) Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership except 3 Day a Week Membership is not Entitled Membership, and limits access to the golf course to 3 days a week. The specific days will be decided by the Committee of Management from time to time however will not be changed within a Membership year.
- b) 3 Days a Week Membership is not Entitled Membership.

14.0 3 Month Membership:

- a) Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership except 3 Month Membership is not Entitled Membership, and will have at the discretion of the Committee of Management restrictions placed on the availability of booking into competitions and the types of competitions the Member can participate in. The Committee of Management will also determine from time to time the total number of 3 Month Memberships available and the time of the year 3 Month Membership is available.
- b) 3 Month Membership will be 3 months of membership from the date of application.
- c) 3 Month Membership is not Entitled Membership.

15.0 9- Hole Golf Membership:

- a) Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of full membership except 9- Hole Golf Membership is not Entitled Membership and only 9 holes can be played during one day. 9- Hole Golf Membership Members may be granted access to 18-hole club competitions at the discretion of the Committee of Management as determined from time to time.
- b) 9- Hole Golf Membership Members must pay the applicable green fee to play in excess of 9 holes on the course on any one day together with any related competition fees if approved by Committee of Management.
- c) 9- Hole Golf Membership is not Entitled Membership

16.0 Professional Golf Association Members, Membership

- a) This category is the only entitled golf category available to members of the Professional Golf Association. Applicants must be current members of a recognised Professional Golf Association. Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities, and obligations of full membership except competitions and tournaments which are awarded based on Gross Score, where Golf Australia governed handicaps are not utilised, cannot be won by the member.
- b) Professional Golf Association Members, are entitled members.

17.0 Social Membership

- a) This category of membership is available to any person over the age of 18 years.
- b) Once appointed to this category of membership, and having paid all applicable fees, levies or charges, the Member will enjoy all the rights, privileges, entitlements, responsibilities and obligations of Social Membership.
- c) Except that for a member in this category to use any sporting facilities of the Club will require payment of green and / or other related fees
- d) Social Club / Bar Members are **not Entitled Members**.

18.0 Honorary Members

- a) The following persons shall be eligible to be admitted to the Club as Honorary Members.
- b) Employees of the Club, the period of such Honorary Membership being the duration of their employment.
- c) Honorary Members may not play in Club championships, pennants or special competitions.
- d) Honorary Members must pay such fees, subscriptions or charges as the Committee determines from time to time and must comply with any conditions set by the Committee for Honorary Membership.
- e) Honorary Members shall have access to the facilities of the Club for the duration of their membership. But, they **are not entitled members**, nor may they introduce visitors to the Club
- f) The Committee has the right to refuse a person Honorary Membership or to cancel any Honorary Membership conferred.

19.0 Temporary Members:

- a) The following persons shall be eligible to be admitted to the Club as Temporary Members.

- b) Members of other associations playing on the Clubs Sporting Grounds in any match or competition, or persons accompanying such players, the period of such Temporary Membership being the duration of the event;
- c) Persons who are permitted to use the Sporting Grounds of the club by reciprocal arrangements.
- d) Persons who are permitted to use the Sporting Grounds of the Club on payment of green fees or for charitable or other purposes, the period of such Temporary Membership being the days for which their use of the Sporting Grounds or rinks is approved by the Committee.
- e) Persons who are permitted to use the Clubs accommodation facilities, the period of such Temporary Membership being the duration of the stay from check-in to check-out.
- f) Persons attending the Club for the purpose of having a meal, the period of such Temporary Membership being the day of which their meal is ordered and paid.
- g) Temporary Members must pay such fees, subscriptions or charges as the Committee determines from time to time and must comply with any conditions set by the Committee for Temporary Membership.
- h) Temporary Members shall have access to the facilities of the Club for the duration of their membership. But, they are not entitled members, nor may they introduce visitors to the Club
- i) The Committee has the right to refuse a person Temporary Membership or to cancel any Temporary Membership conferred.