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MBRR MISSION STATEMENT

The Moreton Bay Road Runners Club is for runners and walkers of all ages and abilities. Although the club is on the Redcliffe Peninsula, we welcome new members from all parts of Moreton Bay Regional Council area. Our mission is to promote, practice, and enjoy the benefits of running, and walking as we support each other in our personal fitness goals.

1. Name

The name of the Club shall be 'Moreton Bay Road Runners Incorporated', hereinafter referred to as the 'Club'.

2. Colours

The colours of the Club shall be Red, White & Blue.

3. Objectives

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- To foster the joy of Running & Walking and generally promote good health for people living on the Redcliffe Peninsula and in the Moreton Bay Regional Council area
- To operate within the rules & regulations of the Queensland Athletics organisation of which we are members.
- To buy, sell, supply and deal in all kinds of apparatus and all kinds of provisions, liquid and solid, required or used by members of the Club.
- To hire and employ the skills of persons whose services may be deemed necessary for the purposes of the Club.
- To organise the annual Jetty to Jetty Fun Run in conjunction with the Our Village Foundation subject to the conditions outlined in the applicable Memorandum of Understanding.
- To take part in running and sporting activities of all kinds wherever held, subject to insurance cover for members with any exclusions to be advised.
- To take part in social events and to build relationships & lasting friendships
- To do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objectives mentioned herein.

4. Membership

Membership shall be open to all persons subscribing to the objectives of the Club. No restrictions shall be imposed on any person applying for membership by virtue of religious or political beliefs, sex or race but the Committee shall have the right to refuse membership to any person without necessarily assigning a reason thereto.

Classifications of membership shall be Adult, Junior and Life:-

ADULT members must be 18 years of age or greater. Upon receipt of a completed application form and payment of the prescribed fee, their application will be presented to the committee for acceptance. An adult member shall be entitled to attend and vote at all general meetings of the club.

JUNIOR members must be between 12 and 17 years of age. Upon receipt of a completed application form and payment of the prescribed fee, their application will be presented to

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the committee for acceptance. A junior member shall be entitled to attend any general meeting of the club but shall not be eligible to vote. The conditions under which a Junior Member can participate in Club runs are outlined in the Club By Laws.

LIFE members

At any Annual General Meeting of the Club and with the prior consideration of a nomination and subsequent ratification by the committee, the granting of Life Membership to a member can be announced and shall take effect from that announcement.

The committee's decision to grant Life membership must be by unanimous vote.

For a nomination for Life membership to be considered, the following must be met:-

- The nominee is to have a minimum of 15 years membership
- The nominee's service to the club and personal conduct shall have been exemplary

A Life Member shall be entitled to attend and vote at all general meetings of the Club and shall have other such privileges as may be decided upon from time to time by the Committee.

RESIGNATION

A member may resign from the Club by notifying the Secretary in writing of their intention to resign and upon the acceptance by the Committee of that resignation, he or she shall cease to be a member of the Club.

Subscriptions will not be refunded if a member resigns part way through the year.

5. Management

At the Annual General Meeting of the Club a committee comprising the following shall be elected: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and a preferred minimum of five committee members to fulfil various functional roles within the club.

The Committee shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting. Each member of the previous Committee shall be eligible for re-election and all positions declared open.

All committee positions are honorary; however, the committee may from time to time award an honorarium to a member to cover time and costs involved in a specific club project.

The position of any Committee member absent for three consecutive meetings without an apology shall automatically become vacant.

The Committee shall have the power to co-opt up to two further Committee members and may fill casual vacancies for functional roles within the club.

The Committee shall be fully responsible and accountable to the members of the Club.

A subcommittee shall be formed to work with the Our Village Foundation to assist in the organising and delivery of the annual running of the Jetty to Jetty event.

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6. Meetings

The Annual General Meeting shall be held in November each year. At least fourteen (14) days notice of the meeting shall be given to each member preferably by email, and other publications, but accidental omission to give notice shall not invalidate the meeting.

The notice must state the time, date and place of the meeting.

The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- to receive the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts
- to elect a Committee for the ensuing year
- to consider motions of which due notice has been given or which any member, with the permission of the meeting, may introduce
- to deal with any other matter which may be, consistent with the constitution, introduced at such a meeting.

At the Annual General Meeting the President, if present, shall chair the meeting. If the President is absent at the time the meeting is due to start, the committee members shall elect a person to chair the meeting from those members present.

The quorum for a General Meeting shall be one-fifth of the financial members of the club.

Nominations for office bearers shall be made prior to the Annual General Meeting and must be accompanied by acknowledgement by the nominee of their acceptance of their nomination. Nomination forms shall be distributed to all members by email, or by other means.

Any elections required shall be by secret ballot. Any equality in voting shall be resolved in favour of the retiring candidate (if any) or otherwise by ballot. In the event of a ballot, scrutineers shall be elected by the members present; the voting papers shall be destroyed after the results of the ballot have been announced.

A Special General Meeting may be called by the Committee at any time, and shall be called upon receipt by the Secretary of a requisition stating therein the object of such a meeting and signed on behalf of not less than one-fifth of the financial Club members. Such meetings shall be called within fourteen (14) days of receipt of such requisition and not less than seven (7) days' notice shall be sent to all Club members.

When required, at any General Meeting each member present shall be entitled to one vote and at any committee meeting, each committee member shall be entitled to one vote. In either case, in the event of an equality of voting on any matter, the Chairperson of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote, as well as the first or deliberative vote. All voting may be by show of hands but if any member present should require the voting to be by way of ballot, thereupon such vote shall be taken by ballot in the ordinary way.

The quorum for Committee meetings shall be one-half of the Committee.

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7. Subscriptions

The annual subscriptions shall be set by the Committee as soon as possible after the Annual General Meeting.

Subscriptions shall become due on 1st September to coincide with Queensland Athletics renewal and all members shall be notified of this date.

Members have until the end of September to pay any subscriptions due. After the 30th September, any member who has not paid the subscription due shall be deemed unfinancial.

A member who joins the club within the last three months of the current MBRR financial year should only have to pay the QA contribution when annual subscriptions are due.

8. Finance

True accounts shall be kept of all monies received and expended by the Club. At least once a year, the accounts of the Club shall be examined and an Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet prepared and the correctness of the accounts and balance sheets ascertained by one or more auditor(s).

The financial year of the Club shall end on the thirtieth day of September each year, and the accounts shall be audited and certified by the Club's auditor(s) and shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting.

The Committee shall be empowered to invest the funds and property of the Club upon such securities as the Committee shall from time to time thinkfit.

The Committee, on behalf of the Club and subject to the approval of a General Meeting or Special General Meeting of members, shall be empowered to borrow upon the security of the Club's real and personal property such monies as may from time to time be required for carrying on the activities of the Club or for providing additional facilities and benefits for the members or for any other purpose connected with the objects of the Club and may authorise the execution of any and all such mortgages, pledges, or securities as may be necessary to secure the repayment of such monies.

9. Dissolution

The Club shall be dissolved if

- a resolution to this effect is carried by a General Meeting, fourteen (14) days of notice of the proposed resolution having been given
- financial membership drops to ten or less members.

If upon the dissolution of the Club there remains, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property or funds whatsoever, the same shall not be distributed or paid among the members of the Club but shall be transferred or given to some other Club or institution having objects similar to those of the Club, to be determined by members of the Club at or before the time of dissolution, and in default thereof as may be directed upon application to the Supreme Court of Australia in that behalf.

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10. Amendments

The constitution may be amended by a three-fifths majority at a General Meeting provided seven (7) day's notice of the proposed amendment has been given to all members.

11. Interpretation

Any doubt arising as to the application or meaning of any clause shall be decided by the Committee whose decision will remain until altered by a vote of a General Meeting, whose decision shall then be final and conclusive.

If any case occurs which, in the opinion of the Committee, is not provided for in this constitution, the committee will address the issue and present the draft amendment to the membership for ratification.

12. Suspension and Expulsion

Any member may be expelled or suspended from membership at the discretion of the Committee, provided that such a member shall have the right of appeal to a General Meeting. Voting on this issue shall be by secret ballot both in the Committee and in the General Meeting.

13. Copies of Constitution

The Secretary shall supply a copy of this constitution, without charge, upon reasonable request, to any new member or existing member.

14. Custody and Use of Common Seal

The Club shall have a Common Seal, which shall consist of the words 'Moreton Bay Road Runners Incorporated'. The seal shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary and shall only be affixed by the Secretary to documents at a meeting of the Committee and in pursuance of a resolution of the Committee; the affixing of the same shall be witnessed by at least two members of the Committee:

15. Registered Office

The registered office of the Club shall be in Redcliffe, QLD or any such other place as the Committee shall from time to time appoint.

16. Personal Indemnification

Any member operating machinery or hire vehicles on behalf of the club shall not be liable for damages or insurance excess charges if they are not acting in a dangerous manner, or driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol (zero limit) and have current applicable licenses for the machinery or vehicles being operated, as requested by the executive committee or appointed person/s.