



Last amended 17/5/2026

1. Name

The name of the club shall be "Sorell Cricket Club Inc." hereinafter referred to as the "club".

2. Colours

The colours of the club shall be Red, White and Black.

3. Objects

The Objects of the Club shall be:

To foster the game of cricket in the Sorell Area

To purchase, lease, hire or by any other legal means acquire any real or personal estate necessary or convenient for the purpose of the club.

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 all classes of persons whose services may be deemed necessary for the purpose of the club.

To invest the monies of the club not immediately required for any of its objects in such a manner as from time to time may be determined.

To do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects aforesaid or any of them.

4. Membership and Management

Membership:

Membership shall be open to all persons subscribing to the objects of the club and paying the prescribed subscription.

No restrictions shall be imposed on any person by virtue of religion or political beliefs, sex, race or age, but the Committee shall have the right to refuse membership where it has reasonable grounds to do so. The applicant must be notified in writing of the decision and has the right to appeal at the next General Meeting.

A member may resign from the club by notifying the secretary in writing of the intention so to do and upon such resignation being accepted by the committee, they/them shall cease to be a member of the club.



Eagles 150 Club Member:

During competition season, any subscribed member of the club that plays 150 senior games will become an automatic eagles 150 club member.

Where a player has played pre 2011/2012 the Executive Committee can make an exception to the games played as mycricket was not in function, therefore no accurate games played to that time is known.

From May 2021 the club will induct all players deemed to be eligible from past seasons.

Life Member:

At any Annual General Meeting, a life member or members can be nominated, such nomination to be on account of some special service or services rendered to the club including:

- 10 years of service to the club
- 150 games plus 5 years of service to the club
- 200 games for the club

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Once nominations have been validated and deemed to be nominated officially the Committee will hold a vote at the last meeting before the end of season dinner. Voting on this issue shall be by secret ballot, votes will be counted by the president and kept confidential until the official end of season presentation. The president holds the casting vote if a tie occurs.

Legend Life Member:

Legend status can be instated to any life member that has gone above and beyond in their service to the club. Such life member to qualify needs to play 300 senior games plus and continue their service rendered to the club well beyond the 10-year criteria or



services rendered to the club has accumulated to over 20 years where a member has not played for the club.

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Entitlements:

An eagle club member shall be presented with an “eagles 150 club” baggy red on the day of their 150th game. An eagle club member has no further entitlements.

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.

Committee:

The Committee shall be responsible for the club.

All committee members are to have or get a Working with Vulnerable People card. The club shall pay for Volunteer Working with Vulnerable People applications for committee members who do not have a current Working with Vulnerable People card. The Executive Committee holds the right to warn or remove Committee members from the board if they deem they are not contributing towards running of the club.

Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee are to be 2 year appointments.

At every second Annual General Meeting the amount of Vice Presidents if any shall be determined.

At every second Annual General Meeting each member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for re-election.

At every second Annual General Meeting of the club the Executive Committee comprising the following shall be elected:

- a) President,
- b) Vice President(s),
- c) Secretary,
- d) Public Officer & Assistant Secretary/Grants Manager,
- e) Treasurer.



Decisions that concern some of the day to day running of the club that may be urgent operational or routine administrative matters, or needing immediate attention shall come under the discretion of the Executive Committee and shall be handled accordingly without the need of a vote or meeting by the Committee.

Any member of the Executive Committee may resign during their 2 year appointment. If more than 20% of the members of the club in writing move a motion of no confidence in any member of the Executive Committee a special general meeting shall be called to be held at such time and place as may be determined by the committee. All members of the club shall be notified of the special general meeting, at which meeting nomination(s) shall be called for the position(s) that the no confidence motion have been moved against, and an election held. The person(s) that the no confidence motion(s) have been called against may be nominated.

Any person elected at the special general meeting shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting at which the Executive Committee was due for re-election.

If during the period between Annual General Meetings at which the Executive Committee was due for re-election a position on the Executive Committee becomes vacant the General Committee may either:

- a) elect someone from either the general committee or executive committee to the vacant position,
- b) call a special general meeting for the purpose of electing someone to the vacant position,
- c) leave the position vacant until the next Annual General Meeting.

Any position filled under a), b) or c) above shall be until the next Annual General Meeting at which the Executive Committee was due for re-election.

Non-Executive Committee:

At each Annual General Meeting a minimum of three (3) and maximum of eight (8) Non-Executive Committee members may be elected.

The Non-Executive Committee members shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting to that at which they were elected.

Each member of the non-executive committee shall be eligible for re-election.

Tied Votes:

The President shall have the casting vote in all matters that produce a tied vote from the Executive Committee or General Committee.

Automatic Vacancy:



The position of any Committee member absent for three (3) consecutive meetings without leave of absence shall automatically become vacant. Acceptance of an apology shall be deemed grant of leave.

5. Meetings

The Annual General Meeting shall be held within three (3) months of the end of the financial year.

At least fourteen (14) day's notice of each general meeting shall be given to each member in writing through any means, but accidental omission to give notice shall not invalidate the meeting.

The notice shall state time, date and place of meeting.

The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

To receive the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.

At every second Annual General Meeting to elect an Executive Committee.

To elect a non-executive 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 dispose of any other matter, which may be, consistent with the constitution, introduced at such a meeting.

At the Annual General Meeting the President shall chair the meeting.

If the President is absent at the time the meeting is due to start, the members shall elect a person to chair the meetings from those members present.

Nominations may be made at the Annual General Meeting.

Each member personally present at any meeting shall have one vote and in the event of an equality of voting in any manner, the chairperson of the meeting shall have a second and casting vote, as well as the first or deliberate vote.

All voting shall be by show of hands, or shall be conducted by secret ballot for elections, disciplinary matters, or where requested by two (2) or more members.

The quorum for committee meetings shall be five (5) committee members and for General Meetings the quorum shall be nine (9) financial members of the club

6. Subscriptions

The subscriptions shall be set by the committee as soon as possible after the date of the Annual General Meeting.

Subscriptions shall be due on the date set by the committee provided the aforesaid date is advertised to all members.



Differential subscriptions may be levied at the discretion of the committee. A member shall not be deemed to be un-financial until the set subscription is three months in arrears.

7. Finance

True accounts shall be kept of all monies received and expended by the club. At least once a year Financial Statements consisting of a Statement of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet shall be prepared.

The financial year of the club shall end on the thirtieth (30) day of April each year and Financial Statements for the financial year shall be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

An audit of the financial statements is not required unless:

- a) A compulsory audit is required by legislation, or
- b) An audit is requested by the committee, or
- c) An audit is requested in writing by more than 20% of the Financial Members of the club.

If an audit is required or requested under a), b) or c) above the financial accounts and financial statements shall be audited and certified by an independent auditor(s) appointed by the committee. The audit report and audited financials are to be presented to the committee and made available upon written request to financial members of the club.

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 think fit.

The committee, on behalf of the Club and subject to the approval of the General Committee, shall be empowered to borrow upon the security of the Clubs' real and personal property such monies as may from 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 repayments of such monies.



8. Coaches

Head coaches of senior sides are to have already completed, or to complete within 12 months of appointment Cricket Australia Level 1 Coaching accreditation. All coaches to have, or get, a current Working with Vulnerable People card.

9. Dissolution

The Club shall be dissolved if:

- a) a resolution to this effect is carried by a general meeting, fourteen (14) days of notice of the proposed resolution having been given.
- b) Financial membership drops to less than five (5) 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.

10. Amendments

- a) The constitution may be amended by a three fifths majority at the Annual General Meeting provided fourteen (14) days' notice of the proposed amendment has been given to all members.
- b) A special general meeting (SGM) can be called to make changes/amendments to the constitution. A majority of serving committee members must vote in favor of an SGM, with the president or highest-ranking executive member being the deciding vote in the event of a tie

11. Interpretation

Any doubt 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 the 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, it shall be determined by the committee in such manner as deemed expedient.

12. Official Warnings, Suspension and Expulsion

- a) Any member may be given official warnings, suspended or expelled from membership at the discretion of the executive 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. If such members reach three official warnings the executive committee holds the right to sanction the member accordingly.

- b) The executive Committee holds the right to give a warning, suspend or expel any current or past players in alliance with 12.a) if derogatory comments or posts are made on social media platforms that are towards “Sorell Cricket Club Inc”, the running of “Sorell Cricket Club Inc” or towards any member of the Committee.

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 “Sorell Cricket Club Inc”. The seal shall be kept in custody of the secretary and shall only be affixed by the secretary to documents at a meeting of the committee and in pursuance of the resolution of the committee, the affixing of the same shall be attested by at least two members of the committee.

15. Registered Office

The Registered office of the club shall be in Sorell, or any such other place as the committee shall appoint.

16. Electronic/Hybrid Meetings

Committee meetings, General Meetings and Special General Meetings may be conducted in person, electronically, or by a combination of both, as determined by the Committee. Members participating electronically shall be deemed present for the purposes of quorum and voting

17. Conflict of Interest Clause

Any Committee member who has a direct or indirect interest in a matter must declare the nature of the interest, must not participate in discussion or voting on the matter, and the declaration must be recorded in the minutes

18. Child Safety Clause

The Club is committed to providing a safe environment for children and young people and complying with all relevant legislation and safeguarding requirements

**19. Awards, Recognition & Player Incentives**

The Committee may establish awards, recognition programs and player incentive arrangements from time to time and may determine the criteria, eligibility and administration of such programs through Club policies and procedures.

20. Electronic Communication & Circular Resolutions

The Committee may make decisions outside a formal meeting through electronic communication or circulation of motions. Any resolution approved by a majority of Committee members shall be deemed a valid Committee decision provided the outcome is recorded in the minutes of the next Committee meeting.

21. Delegation Authority / Subcommittees

The Committee may establish subcommittees, panels, officers or working groups and delegate responsibilities as it sees fit.

22. Committee Protection / Indemnity Clause

No Committee member shall be personally liable for any act or omission of the Club provided they have acted honestly, in good faith, and in the best interests of the Club