

Proposed changes to the RRVV constitution. 2025 Annual General Meeting

The RRVV Committee proposes that a few minor changes be made to the RRVV Constitution to bring it up to date and to reflect the recent discontinuation of the “Life-time membership” option. The five (5) changes being proposed are summarised below.

Section 17: clause (2) is proposed to be amended to reduce the time a member’s fees may be overdue:

Revised section 17 (2)

- (2) A member is taken to have resigned if—
- a. the member's annual subscription is more than 4 months in arrears; and
 - I. If the Secretary has made a written request to the member to confirm that he or she wishes to remain a member; and
 - II. The member has not, within 1 month of receiving that request, confirmed in writing that he or she wishes to remain a member.

Section 18: additional clauses 2(a), (3) & (4) are proposed describing the protection of member’s details.

Revised section 18

- (2) Any member may, at a reasonable time, inspect the register of members. However,
 - a. Per S. 59 of the Act, the Committee, per S. 59 of the Act, may:
 - i. refuse a member permission to inspect records of the Association where those records relate to confidential personal, employment, commercial or legal matters of an individual member or a group of members, where to do so may be prejudicial to the interests of the individual member or group of members or to the Association
 - ii. Provide de-identified information only
- (3) The Committee will not provide information from the register of members to any commercial organization
- (4) The Committee will notify members prior to providing information about them in response to any government or official inquiry

Section 48: is proposed to be amended to clarify the conditions for eligibility to be a committee member:

Revised section 48; Eligibility

A member is eligible to be elected or appointed as a committee member if the member—

- (1) lives permanently in a registered retirement village in Victoria Australia; and
- (2) is a current, paid-up member of RRVV.

Section 64: a new subsection (4) has been added to meet the requirements of the legislation governing incorporated associations:

- (4) The secretary shall maintain a register of all declared conflicts of interest, detailing the occasion, date and member, and the nature of the conflict.

End Notes: It is proposed to amend the entry for lifetime member which is no longer being offered; **“Lifetime Member”** a member who has contributed \$100.00 or more for a single membership or \$150.00 or more for a joint membership. From the 2024 AGM onwards, payment for a lifetime membership will no longer be accepted. Existing lifetime memberships will continue to be honoured.

If you wish to view the changes in the context of the whole constitution you can do this on our website - link.