

BY LAWS OF THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT CORPORATION

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Preamble

These By-Laws put the Constitution into operation within the parameters set by the Constitution.

Words and expressions contained in these By-Laws shall have the meaning assigned to them by the Constitution. Where there is any inconsistency between these By-Laws and the Constitution, the Constitution shall prevail. The By-Laws shall not be deemed to be inconsistent with the Constitution merely because one shall deal with the same or a related subject more exhaustively than the other.

Questions of interpretation will be resolved by the Board unless referred to the Council.

The Board may exercise some of its powers to make new By-Laws and amend these By-Laws as necessary.

The Company is to be managed in accordance with its Constitution, these By-Laws and the Corporations Act 2001.

Company Rule 3 - Purpose of The Company

The Board's application of Rule 3 is to:

- a. foster and protect the interests of The Company Members and their members and their families in any matter likely to be relevant to them during or after their service in the Royal Australian Regiment by coordinating those matters that require co-ordination on a National level;
- b. provide advice and guidance to the Members and their members on National Matters that The Company is co-ordinating;
- c. perpetuate the close bonds of comradeship and esprit de corps created by service in the Royal Australian Regiment on National Matters that The Company is co-ordinating;
- d. preserve the memory of those members of the Regiment who have died on active and overseas service on National Matters that The Company is coordinating:
- e. represent the interests of the serving and ex-serving members of the Regiment and their families at national level.

- f. plan, organise and develop benefit services and conduct events related to the Members and the Regiment on National Matters that require The Company to co-ordinate;
- g. develop, and represent, the Members view on matters of interest to appropriate parties on National Matters that The Company is co-ordinating;
- h. conduct fund raising activities on National Matters that The Company is coordinating; and
- i. foster, promote and support the formation and growth of Members without in any way impinging on the internal management of any organisation that becomes a Member.

In achieving its purpose The Company may enter into a relationship with any other organisation whose purpose/objects are compatible with those of The Company.

Company Rule 4 - Membership of The Company.

As at 8th November 2010 the Board believed that the following organisations would be eligible to be members of The Company:

- a. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (NSW Branch)
- b. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (Queensland Division) Inc.
- c. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (Victoria Branch)
- d. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (South Australia) Incorporated
- e. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (WA Branch)
- f. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (Tasmania Branch)
- g. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (NT Branch)
- h. The Royal Australian Regiment Association (ACT Branch)
- i. The 1st Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association
- j. The 2nd Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association
- k. The 3rd Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Corporation
- l. The 4th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Associations of Australia
- m. The 5th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association
- n. The 6th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association
- o. The 7th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association
- p. The 8th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association Inc.
- g. The 9th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association
- r. The 8th/9th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association Inc.
- s. The 5th/7th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment Association

Individual Membership

There will be no general class of individual membership. The only individual members of The Company will be the directors of the Board and other office holders elected by the Board or Council or appointed by the Board.

Company Rule 5 - Affiliate Membership

Affiliate members will have access to all services except that they will not be entitled to vote.

Company Rule 7 - Number of Directors on the Board

The number of the Directors on the board shall be four (4).

Resignation

If a Member resigns it is not entitled to any refund or any part of its membership fee or annual subscription.

Cessation of Membership

A Member shall not have any right to governance of The Company, if the Board is of the opinion that in the circumstances operating at the time it would not qualify as a Member for the purpose of Rule 4 of the Constitution - Membership of The Company.

Cessation of Co-ordination Services

If, the Board is of the opinion that a Member does not desire The Company to offer coordination on a national basis then the Board may cease to offer those services to that Member.

Patron

The Council may appoint a distinguished person as patron of The Company. To be appointed a person who:

- Has served in the RAR.
- Is able to represent The Company with dignity.
- Has knowledge of the RAR and The Company.

• Is able to attend such business of The Company as is appropriate to a Patron.

The Patron shall be appointed by the Council for a term as the Board shall determine.

The Council

The Council of The Company will be the Board and one representative of each Member.

Financial Year

The Company's financial year is 1st July – 30th June

Payment of Member Fees

Joining Fee

Members are required to pay a once only joining fee of \$100.

Annual Subscription

Members are required to pay an annual subscription for the period 1st July to 30th June. The amount will be determined by the Council and may vary from time to time to take into account operating costs, inflationary pressures and unforseen expenses.

Subscriptions will be paid on receipt of a notice of account, or in any case, by not later than 30th June of each year to secure membership for the following financial year.

When in the opinion of the Board, any fee charged by The Company may cause hardship to a potential Member, it may in its absolute discretion waive all or any part of those fees.

Donations

Donations specifically designated by donors will be acknowledged, receipted and recorded in the appropriate account.

Other non specified donations received will be used as deemed appropriate by the Board

Approved by the Interim Board at its meeting on 8th November 2010

B.W. Howard E. A . Chitham Chairman Secretary

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