

Coastal Board Gamers Special General Meeting

Purpose: Update the constitution prior to the AGM, adjusting clauses relevant to the operation of the AGM.

Date: 19th July 2025, at regular event during dinner

Motion 1: Election of Committee Office Bearers

Explanation:

At each CBG Annual General Meeting, members of the association elect members from among their number to serve on the committee. At the first committee meeting following the AGM the committee elects office bearers to bear responsibility for governance in the committee. In recent years we have held the first committee meeting the day after the AGM to elect new office bearers as soon as possible so governance of CBG is not interrupted.

It was brought to our attention that our constitution did not clearly state that we use the process explained above. Because our constitution did not mention it, the default Model Rules state that office bearers should be elected by all members as part of the AGM. The changes proposed here will fix what was missing from our constitution and allow us to proceed as has been our usual practice.

There are two main reasons why we like to elect committee officers at the first committee meeting following the AGM rather than at the AGM:

1. To keep the AGM short and the nomination/election process as simple as possible. From the beginning the committee of CBG has acted to keep the governance processes for running our association as simple and short as possible because we understand this is what our members would want.
2. To carefully manage roles for members of the committee. Members who step up to volunteer their time and effort to the governance of our association should be given the privilege of carefully considering and preparing for the roles they work in. The smaller more private committee meeting is a kinder environment than the AGM for discussing and electing office bearers. Some positions require training and preparation that may be in progress for a year or two before a person is elected to that position.

Notice of Motion Number 1:

“That clause 9 of the Coastal Board Gamers constitution be modified by adding a new subclause 9.5 that reads,

‘5. At the Committee Meeting after each Annual General Meeting the Committee Members must appoint a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and public officer from among their number. Other committee positions should also be appointed. Subject to this Constitution, those Office Bearers hold their position until the conclusion of the election of Office Bearers at the first Committee Meeting after the next Annual General Meeting.’

and renumber existing subclause 5 to 6, then adjust the numbering of following subclauses as necessary.”

Moved: Tim Dover

Seconded: Joshua Newman

Motion 2: Agenda for Annual General Meeting

Explanation:

The agenda for the CGB Annual General Meeting is laid out in the constitution in full. This is useful because it clarifies exactly what we do at our AGM. It is also restrictive because the order of items may not suit what is needed for a particular meeting. In recent years we have found it works well to vote for election of committee members early so that votes can be counted while the reports are being presented, then announce the results after the reports. The change proposed here will allow the AGM agenda to be executed in any order.

Notice of Motion Number 2:

“That subclause 12.9 of the Coastal Board Gamers constitution be modified by removing the word ‘be’ and adding, ‘contain these items of business’

Moved: Tim Dover

Seconded: Joshua Newman