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**SABS / NRCS ACCREDITATION NO - 1033 0026****SAPS ACCREDITATION NO – 3000610****GEORGE SPORT SHOOTING CLUB CONSTITUTION:****1. Name:**

The Club will be known as the "George Sport Shooting Club", hereinafter called the "Club"

2. Purpose and Aims:

- 2.1 To promote and introduce practical and safe use and handling of firearms in general.
- 2.2 To provide safe and purposeful training to members and the public.
- 2.3 To associate, affiliate, or amalgamate with other similar bodies as members from time to time, or deemed necessary to do.
- 2.4 To provide the necessary facilities of the club set available for the members to enable them to qualify in the safe and proper use of firearms.
- 2.5 For any fixed or non-fixed property to buy, lease or otherwise acquire as it may deem necessary for the use of the club.
- 2.6 To raise funds and administer the collection of membership fees as well as donations and grants for the proper maintenance of the club.

3. Membership and Fees:

- 3.1 The right of admission to membership of the club will be reserved and applications will individually be selected by the committee.
- 3.2 Applications for membership must be made on the prescribed "Application form" to the committee and submitted for approval.
- 3.3 There will be seven classes of membership:
 - 3.3.1 Honorary Membership.
 - 3.3.2 Ordinary membership.
 - 3.3.3 Family membership.
 - 3.3.4 Pension membership.
 - 3.3.5 Family pension membership.
 - 3.3.6 Student or Junior membership.
 - 3.3.7 Club membership.
- 3.4 Additional classes of membership may from time to time and be added as needed determined by the committee.
- 3.5 The subscription for each of the above classes of membership shall be determined by the committee and may from time to time be changed.
- 3.6 Membership shall commence from the date on which the candidate accepts or membership is restored.
- 3.7 Membership cards will be issued annually once subscription has been paid.
- 3.8 Membership shall be terminated in the following cases:
 - 3.8.1 If a member resigns.
 - 3.8.2 If a member fails to pay its dues within one month after its acceptance as a member of the club.
 - 3.8.3 If an existing member fails to pay its dues within one month after it became payable as determined in advance, for example at the beginning of a new calendar year.
 - 3.8.4 If a member is expelled.

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- 3.9 Any person whose membership is terminated by resignation and/or expulsion and/or any other reason, may apply for reinstatement of membership in the prescribed manner.
- 3.10 A junior membership on attaining the age of eighteen years, which he/she in the prescribed manner, may apply for ordinary membership.
- 3.11 All fees will be payable in advance for a pre-set period, as determined by the committee.
- 3.12 Membership fees will be payable annually at the beginning of the calendar year or as determined by the committee.
- 3.13 All members over the age of eighteen years and who's dues are paid to vote shall be entitled to meetings and will also be eligible for committee members.

4. Suspension:

- 4.1 All members of the club must make sure they read and understand the rules of the club, as in the constitution, code of conduct or as amended from time to time by the committee. Any member deliberately violating the club rules by his behaviour, may be suspended by the committee after the said member has been notified in writing of their suspension decision.
- 4.2 Any member may present his/her case in writing, or by its authorized representative for the committee.
- 4.3 Any recommendation or decision to suspend, will be valid only if at least two thirds of the committee so decide.
- 4.4 If disciplinary action is proposed against a committee member, that member will not be present at any meeting and immediately all their powers and privileges will be removed as committee member.
- 4.5 At expulsion, a member forfeits his/her privileges of membership and assets of the club.

5. Annual General Meetings (AGM):

- 5.1 An annual general meeting (AGM) of all members of the club will be held every year and not later than fifteen months after the last annual general meeting. Notice of the annual general meeting will be sent to all members, who's membership fees are paid in full, given at their last known address no later than fourteen days before the date of the meeting.
- 5.2 The purpose of the annual general meeting will be:
 - 5.2.1 To elect a committee which will consist of the following members:
 - 5.2.1.1 a President,
 - 5.2.1.2 a Vice President,
 - 5.2.1.3 a Secretary,
 - 5.2.1.4 a Treasurer,
 - 5.2.1.5 and any number of additional members from time to time by the committee.
 - 5.2.2 To approve or amend the minutes of the previous AGM.
 - 5.2.3 For the President the opportunity to discuss the annual report.
 - 5.2.4 To discuss the financial statements.
 - 5.2.5 To elect an auditor for the ensuing year.
 - 5.2.6 To recruit enrolment of new members.
 - 5.2.7 To discuss any topic of discussion which prior notice is given.
 - 5.2.8 To treat any matter that is usually discussed at the annual general meeting.
- 5.3 At any ordinary or extraordinary meeting one third of the number of registered members to form a quorum. If there is not a quorum present, the meeting shall be adjourned for five minutes and the members at such meeting present, will constitute a quorum provided that two-thirds of the committee present as to approve a motion.

- 5.4 At each annual general meeting, a paid up member present in person, will be entitled to one vote and the chairman shall have an additional casting vote.
- 5.5 In all decisions of the meeting will be a majority of votes required by the members present and will be done by counting hands.
- 5.6 On an annual general meeting, a president may be elected who will have no specific duties, but can be approached by the committee for advice regarding internal affairs and legal issues. The president may be present at the invitation of the committee at a committee meeting.

6. Powers and Duties of the Committee:

- 6.1 The main task of the committee will be to conduct the daily management of the club for the benefit of its members.
- 6.2 The Committee shall have the power to co-opt that required any additional member for the proper functioning of the club.
- 6.3 The Committee may enter into any agreement, contract or business going on that will promote the objectives of the club and that will be to the benefit of the club members.
- 6.4 The committee has the power to track rules put down or amended as may be necessary for the orderly conduct of shooting exercises.
- 6.5 The Committee shall appoint three members of the committee, whose secretary and treasurer will be two members to sign the necessary documents for opening and running a bank account with a registered bank or building society. Any two of these elected members would proxies on behalf of the club to make withdrawals and deposits on behalf of the club.
- 6.6 Committee meetings will be scheduled as required to deal with urgent matters.
- 6.7 At any committee meeting, the quorum consists of three members of the select committee.
- 6.8 A complete record will be kept of each committee meeting and members will be kept informed of committee decisions.
- 6.9 If there is a vacancy in the committee created, a special committee meeting to be convened at which the committee shall be supplemented, as necessary for the proper functioning. The term of office of the substitute will finish on the same date as his predecessor's term of office.

7. Finance:

- 7.1 The committee will decide on a registered bank or building society where an account will be opened in the name of the club, where all money will be deposited, as received by the club.
- 7.2 The treasurer will handle the account in consultation with the management of the committee.
- 7.3 The treasurer shall, upon request by the committee and for the purposes of management meetings, present a statement of income and expenditure plan that will be approved at the meeting.
- 7.4 The financial year close on the last day of February, the date on which the treasurer will present an income and expenditure statement and balance sheet will be prepared showing the financial position of the club for the previous year.
- 7.5 No person shall guarantee the creditworthiness of the club without the written approval of the committee.
- 7.6 An auditor will be appointed at each annual general meeting to serve until the next annual meeting provided that such person has the right to practice as an accountant or auditor and not a member of the committee.

8. Income:

- 8.1 The income and property of the club, how and where it has been acquired, will be used only to promote the club outlined in this constitution and no portion thereof shall be paid directly or indirectly or transferred through dividends, bonuses or any other way to any member of the club, provided that payment as a reward or compensation for services rendered to any member or officer in good faith may be made.

9. Dissolution:

- 9.1 At the time of dissolution or closing down of the club, members are expected to contribute to the assets of the club.
- 9.2 Contributions may be required in accordance with the laws of the Republic in connection with the dissolution of the club, in order to serve as payment for outstanding debts and liabilities of the club that was incurred before membership became infinite or for any costs, charges and expenses that may be associated with said resolution of the club.
- 9.3 Contributions will be limited to the unpaid subscriptions of a member for the current and/or prior years.

10. Excess:

- 10.1 If, after the dissolution and/or closing down of the club and payment of all debts and liabilities, any property as an asset left, these assets will be given to the members of other clubs to buy, with the same objectives offered or transferred or donated.
- 10.2 In the case of cash assets, the committee at the time of dissolution, after the preceding conditions are taken into consideration, will decide what should be done with the assets.

11. Complaints:

- 11.1 Any member who has a thorough complaint, shall report in writing to the secretary for presentation to the committee for a decision.

12. Additions and Changes:

- 12.1 The club will be entitled to make any addition and/or alteration to the constitution and/or rules, at an annual general meeting or a special meeting, provided that a notice convene such a meeting called and a copy will include the proposed changes or amendments.
- 12.2 A copy of this constitution will lie for inspection at the secretary of the club for the study by any member and/or prospective member of the club.

Signed and adopted at George date this 14th day of March 2018.

Yours faithfully,



Anton Meyer.

Chairman, Treasurer – GSSC.
Range Officer – CHASA (SJB) 09-03-2015.
Dedicated Member: GSSC, SJB (CHASA), GOSA, NHSA, SATSA.
Member – George Crime Prevention Forum (CPF)
Chairman, Founder – George Central Business District Neighbour Hood Watch.

