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THE AUSTRALIAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

1. **Name:** The name of the Association shall be The Australian Archaeological Association.

2. **Objects:** The objects of the Association are:-
   
   (i) To promote the advancement of archaeology.
   
   (ii) To provide an organisation for the discussion and dissemination of archaeological information and ideas in archaeology.
   
   (iii) To convene meetings at regular intervals.
   
   (iv) To publicise the need for the study and conservation of archaeological sites and collections.
   
   (v) To publicise the work of the Association.

3. **Membership:** Any person who has an interest in archaeology is eligible for membership of the Association subject to the following provisions:-
   
   (i) Application shall be made in writing to the Secretary on a membership application form provided by the Association.
   
   (ii) Members must agree to abide by the code of ethics of the Association and its by-laws.*
   
   (iii) The acceptance or termination of membership shall be at the discretion of the Council whose decision may be overthrown by that of a general meeting.

4. **Subscription:**
   
   (i) The annual subscription to be paid by members shall be five dollars until such time as this sum is varied at a General Meeting.

5. **Management:**
   
   (i) The Officers of the Association shall be the President, Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom shall be ex-officio members of Council.

*NOTE - A draft code of ethics will be drawn up for discussion at the General Meeting of members.*
5. (ii) The Council shall consist of seven members being the President, Secretary and Treasurer, acting ex-officio, and four other financial members of the Association.

(iii) The Council shall meet at least once a year and act by a majority vote of those present. The President shall have a casting vote. A quorum shall be four Council members.

(iv) The Council may make by-laws for the management of the affairs of the Association but such by-laws may be disallowed by the members at a General Meeting.

6. Meetings:

(i) The President may call meetings of Council at times and places which are convenient for the conduct of Council business.

(ii) The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held at a time and place decided by Council. At the annual general meeting a report of the previous year's activities and an audited balance sheet shall be presented. A quorum at an Annual General Meeting shall be fifteen financial members.

(iii) Special general Meetings may be called by Council or by a minimum of fifteen financial members of the Association. Notification of time, place and business proposed shall be given in writing to all members at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

7. Financial Year: The financial year of the Association shall end on the 30th day of June in each year.

8. Election of Council:

(i) The Council and an Honorary Auditor shall be elected annually by a ballot of all financial members.

(ii) Nominations for Council shall be called for by the Secretary at least six weeks before the elections.

(iii) Nominations in writing must reach the Secretary at least 4 weeks before the election. Nominations are to be signed by the proposer, seconder and nominee.

(iv) The secretary shall draw up a voting paper containing the names of all candidates setting out the positions for which they are nominated. The voting paper must be distributed to all members at least two weeks before the election.

(v) Voting papers are to be returned to the Secretary in time for counting at the election.

9. Alteration to rules: These rules may be altered at any general meeting provided that notice in writing of the proposed changes has been given to all members at least two weeks prior to the general meeting and provided also that there is a two thirds majority vote in favour of the proposed alteration or amendment.