

## **RETIRED MEMBERS CLUB POLICY (CHARTER)**

**POLICY / PROCEDURE**

**RMC-34**

### **Membership:**

The Club shall consist of an unlimited number of persons who were bona fide members of the New South Wales Local Government, Clerical, Administrative, Energy, Airlines & Utilities Union prior to their resignation or retirement and who have had:

- (a) Twenty (20) or more years continuous membership of the Union prior to their retirement,
- (b) Life Members as endorsed by Council in Conference Session or Biennial Conference under Rule 14,
- (c) Former Officials of the Union having ten (10) or more years continuous service.

The Club Committee of Management shall have the power to accept written applications for membership from those retired members who due to joining the Union at a later age cannot attain the criteria as required provided that such application has the support of 75% of the Club Committee of Management.

### **Admission to Membership:**

Upon the Union receiving advice of the resignation of any member who having met the criteria in (a), (b) or (c) above the Union Office shall to the last known address forward an application form to join the Retired Members Club.

New members will be reported quarterly to the Retired Members Club meeting.

A review panel consisting of the President, Vice President and Secretary, Treasurer appointed by the General Secretary shall meet prior to the quarterly meeting to consider such applications that do not meet the criteria in (a), (b) or (c).

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### **Subscriptions:**

Each member shall pay annually a subscription fee of ten (10) dollars due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January in each year. Membership subscriptions may be paid half-yearly if the member is experiencing financial hardship.

Membership shall lapse if the subscription has not been received by August in each year

### **Objectives:**

- To foster goodwill and friendship amongst retired Unionists.
- To provide the opportunity for long term Unionists to access the benefits of Union membership.
- To promote the cause of Labor.
- To promote the cause of Unionism.

### **Governance:**

The Committee of Management of the Club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Retired Members Club shall elect the President and Vice President annually at the December meeting.

The General Secretary shall appoint two Officials to act as Secretary and Treasurer of the Club and to provide all necessary support to the Club.

The Club may appoint a Patron from time to time.

The Club will be required to adhere to the directions of the State Executive and General Secretary.

The Club is not a decision making body and can only make recommendations to the controlling bodies for consideration.

### **Meetings of the Club:**

The Committee of Management shall meet in April, August and December of each year.

The Annual General Meeting shall be held to coincide with the May Day celebration.

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### **Services:**

Members of the Club will be entitled to:

- USU Rates – Aquatic Resort Port Macquarie
- USU Picnic Ticket (metropolitan members)
- Counsellor
- Legal Services – White Barnes – Preparation of Wills
- Union Shopper – discount goods and services
- USU Rates – accommodation Coronation Hotel
- Local Government, Energy and CARE Superannuation Funds – access to USU Trustees.

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