1. **GOLF COMMITTEE**
   * 1. There is created by this By-Law a Golf Committee in respect of the Club’s Kareela Golf Club Premises (**Golf Committee**) and the following rules will apply in respect of the Golf Committee:
        1. The members of the Golf Committee will initially comprise the existing directors of Kareela Golf Club as at the date of Completion of the Amalgamation who give written consent to the Club to be members of the Golf Committee (**First Golf Committee**);
        2. The Chairperson of the Golf Committee will be elected by the members of the Golf Committee at its first meeting after each election.
        3. The Golf Committee will meet Monthly or at such other intervals as may be determined by the Board of the Club from time to time.
     2. The role of the Golf Committee will, subject at all times to the Board of the Club, be responsible for the following areas of golf operations:

##### the Green sub-committee;

##### the Match sub-committee;

##### the Ladies sub-committee; and

##### create sub sub-committees as necessary to undertake organisation and support of specific projects such as Pro-Am’s, Aron Price Junior Tournament etc; and

##### recommendations regarding golf membership categories.

* + 1. The Golf Committee may make recommendations to the Board and/or management of the Club regarding the following matters:

##### golf membership matters at the Kareela Golf Club Premises;

##### setting of golf membership fees;

##### management and maintenance of the golf course; and

##### the use of funds in the Golf Investment Account operated by the Club.

* + 1. The Golf Committee will be required to provide such reports as may be determined from time to time, upon request by the Board or management of the Club, to the Board of the Club.
    2. The Golf Committee will be elected by Golf members of the Sub Club, biennially on such date or dates as may be determined by the Board of the Amalgamated Club in consultation with the Golf Committee.
    3. The Golf Committee shall be in force and effect for the period of time any agreement exists between the Club and Sutherland Shire Council.

1. **ELECTION OF GOLF COMMITTEE**
   * 1. The First Golf Committee shall hold office until the first election of the Golf Committee.
     2. The first election of the Golf Committee will be held on or before the date of the Club’s Annual General Meeting in 2018 to be determined by the Board of the Club.
     3. With effect from the first election of the Golf Committee, the Golf Committee will comprise of one captain and four (4) committee members who must be ordinary playing members, lady playing members or honorary life members.
     4. Commencing from the first election of the Golf Committee in 2018, the election of members of the Golf Committee shall take place every second year.
     5. The election of the Golf Committee shall be conducted as follows:

##### Nominations for election to the Golf Committee shall be made in writing signed by two (2) Golf members of the Club and signed by the nominee (who shall signify his or her consent to the nomination) and shall state that the nominee is nominated for office as a member of the Golf Committee. The proposer and seconder must be financial members of the Club at the time the nomination form is signed. The nominee must be a Golf member of the Club at the time the nomination form is signed.

##### Nomination forms must be received by the Approved Manager of Kareela premises or a Returning Officer appointed by the Board, on or before the time and date determined by the Board of the Club, at which time nominations shall close.

##### As soon as practicable after nominations have closed, the Approved Manager of the Kareela premises or the Returning Officer appointed by the Board shall cause the posting of notification of the names of the candidates and the names of their proposers and seconders on the Kareela premises Notice Board.

##### If the number of candidates duly nominated for office do not exceed the number required to be elected, the candidate or candidates nominated shall be declared elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club.

##### If insufficient or no nominations are received for office on the Golf Committee, the candidate or candidates, if any, nominated shall be declared elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and any vacant positions remaining on the Golf Committee may be filled by those persons elected to the Golf Committee.

##### If the number of candidates duly nominated exceeds the number required to be elected, a ballot shall be taken in accordance with this By-Law as prescribed by the Board.

##### In any ballot under this By-Law, the Board shall appoint a Returning Officer for the ballot. A candidate in the election shall not be appointed as the Returning Officer.

##### The ballot shall be conducted in the Kareela premises on not less than two (2) days being prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting of the Club and at such times as are determined by the Board, provided that the ballot shall be conducted for at least four (4) hours on each of those days during which time the Kareela premises is open to members and in which members may cast their ballot papers. From the eligible voters list the members name shall be marked off as having been given and returned a ballot paper.

##### The Approved Manager of the Kareela premises or Returning Officer shall cause the opening and closing times of the ballot to be posted on the Kareela premises Notice Board at least seven (7) days before the commencement of the ballot.

##### The Approved Manager of the Kareela premises or Returning Officer shall cause the preparation of a list of members who are eligible to vote at the election of the Golf Committee.

##### The Approved Manager or Returning Officer will provide a locked ballot box or boxes which shall be placed in a convenient location on the Kareela premises to receive the ballot papers after completion.

* + 1. The Approved Manager or Returning Officer will have authority to delegate to Kareela premises staff the issuance of ballot papers.
    2. Only ordinary playing members, lady playing members and honorary life members shall be eligible to vote in the election of the Golf Committee.
    3. Subject to a member attending the Kareela premises to vote in the ballot:
       1. being a financial member of the Club in a class of golfing membership (ie an ordinary playing member, lady playing member or honorary life member) is eligible to vote in the election of the Golf Committee; and
       2. providing acceptable identification as determined by the Board of the Club (such as their membership card, drivers’ licence, passport or RTA Photo Card); and
       3. not being under suspension from the Club;

the Kareela premises staff having delegated authority under By-Law 2(g) above shall make available to that member eligible to vote, a ballot paper or ballot papers containing in the order determined by lot, drawn by the Approved Manager of the Kareela premises or Returning Officer, the names of duly nominated candidates for office. Each ballot paper made available to members shall be initialled by the Kareela staff member issuing the ballot paper.

* + 1. The Returning Officer will supervise the examination of returned ballot papers and the counting of votes after the ballot is closed, and shall report the result of the ballot in writing to the Approved Manager.
    2. Members shall record their votes in accordance with the written directions on the ballot paper as determined by the Board from time to time.
    3. The counting of the ballot shall be conducted in such a manner that the secrecy of the ballot is maintained, and the Returning Officer shall ensure that votes are recorded only by members entitled to vote and that no duplication of voting has taken place.
    4. The Returning Officer shall first examine each ballot paper and any invalid ballot paper shall be discarded from the ballot but shall not be destroyed.
    5. The decision of the Returning Officer as to the validity of any ballot paper shall be final.
    6. In the event of an equality of votes in favour of two (2) or more candidates, the Returning Officer, with the assistance of the Approved Manager of the Kareela premises, shall elect by lot from such candidates having an equality of votes, the candidate or candidates who is, or are, to be declared elected.
    7. When the candidate or candidates to be declared elected to office as a result of any ballot as provided in this By-Law has been determined, the Returning Officer shall report the result of the ballot in writing to the Approved Manager of the Kareela premises. The report shall state whether there has been a determination by lot in accordance with paragraph (o) of this By-Law.
    8. The President of the Club shall declare the candidates, which the report referred to in paragraph (p) of this By-Law states as having the greatest number of votes or having been determined by lot in accordance with paragraph (o) of this By-Law, as the candidates elected to office.
    9. A member or guest of a member must not at any time issue or distribute, or cause to be issued or distributed, within the Kareela premises or the surrounding precincts of the Kareela premises, any ‘how to vote’ ticket or any written material advocating either for or against the election of any candidate or candidates for the Golf Committee. Any breach of this By-Law by a member shall be deemed to be conduct unbecoming a member of the Club under the Club’s Constitution and may be dealt with by the Board or Disciplinary Committee accordingly.

1. **LADIES SUB COMMITTEE**
   * 1. Subject at all times to the approval of the Board of the Club in its absolute discretion, and the Golf Committee, Lady Playing Members shall be entitled to:
        1. conduct their own affairs relating to the game of golf amongst the Lady Playing Members and Junior Lady Playing Members and to arrange competitions amongst themselves or other Clubs.
        2. form and elect their own committee to control, manage and conduct the game of golf amongst the lady playing members of the Sub-Club and to arrange and control competitions against or in conjunction with other Clubs.
        3. adopt rules for the proper conduct, control and management of the game of golf amongst their members and to make provision for the structure of and election of their own Committee including a Lady Golfing Member's Captain.
     2. Lady Playing Members and Junior Lady Playing Members shall be entitled to join or be affiliated with Women's Golf New South Wales Inc.or such other body as may from time to time control the game of golf in New South Wales relating to Lady Members.