



SCHOEMANSVILLE OEWER CLUB

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CONSTITUTION OF THE SCHOEMANSVILLE OEWER CLUB

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PRELUDE

As the State has reserved by servitude that part of the Hartbeespoort Dam foreshore adjoining Schoemansville for the use of Schoemansville property owners who enjoy free access to dam for the purposes of boating and fishing, the property owners have established the Oewer club to manage that part of the foreshore on their behalf as follows:

1. NAME

The name of the club is the Schoemansville Oewer club, hereinafter referred to as the Club

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 To manage the Club area and facilities
- 2.2 To manage the Club as a non-profit volunteer organisation for the benefit of the community
- 2.3 To promote non-commercial boating, angling and related activities
- 2.4 To promote and present community activities

3. MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Owner members. That includes the owners of stands in Schoemansville who have the right of free access to the dam as contained in their title deeds and on whose servitude the Club is operating
- 3.2 Resident members. Any other resident of the residential areas of Hartbeespoort adjoining the dam.
- 3.3 Guest membership can be granted by the Management Committee to anybody from outside the area on condition that the guest membership shall never comprise more than ten percent of the total number of members
- 3.4 Honorary membership can be awarded by the Management Committee to any member for exceptional services rendered and must be endorsed at a members' meeting
- 3.5 Membership includes a member's immediate family members in his household
- 3.6 A member who has been a member for more than three years and moves out of the area retains the right of membership provided that membership dues are paid up and not fall into arrears, in which case membership lapses
- 3.7 Affiliation. The Management Committee is entitled to consider and approve written applications for affiliation of the following not -or-profit community organisations
 - 3.7.1 Churches and schools
 - 3.7.2 Charitable organisations
 - 3.7.3 Sports clubs and associations who are not sponsored

Such organisations can apply in writing to use the Club's facilities free of charge under certain conditions.

4. MANAGEMENT

The Club is managed by a committee as follows:

4.1 Composition

4.1.1 The committee comprise the following:

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| a. Chairman | d. Treasurer |
| b. Vice Chairman | e. Two additional members |
| c. Secretary | |



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4.1.2 The Committee is elected by members from members on an Annual General Meeting. The Committee can co-opt as many additional members as it deems necessary.

4.2 Term

4.2.1 The Committee is elected for a period of one year on the understanding that tenure of four of the elected members is extended to the following year. At the Annual General Meeting two Committee members will retire and two members will be elected. The retiring members may be re-elected.

4.2.2 Should a vacancy develop on the Committee it may co-opt a member to fill the vacancy.

4.3 Sub-committees

The Management Committee may in its discretion appoint sub-committees to attend to interest groups such as anglers, boaters and the general community. These sub-committees will report to the Management Committee.

5. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Of members:

5.1 Members are entitled to all the benefits offered by the Club, including the use of facilities established by the Club and all other benefits negotiated from time to time by the Management Committee.

5.2 Each in good standing member has one vote at meetings.

5.3 Members are not liable for debts incurred by the Management Committee and are accountable for their annual membership fees only.

5.4 The Management Committee of the Club has the right to promulgate domestic rules for the Club and to amend these as and when required.

5.5 Members have the right to entertain guests on the Club premises subject to conditions determined by the Committee and the domestic rules of the club. All members pay an entrance fee and annual membership fees as determined from time to time. Honorary members and Committee members are exempt from membership fees.

Of personnel:

5.6 The Club managers are responsible for management of the club and report directly to the Committee or the responsible member of the Committee.

5.7 All staff of the Club report directly to the Club managers.

5.8 Each staff member is responsible for executing the duties as contained in her/his duty sheet.

6. MEETINGS

6.1 The Club meets as often as the Committee deems fit, but at least once a year.

6.2 Quorum: One third of the eligible members constitute a quorum. In the case of a properly advertised meeting where not sufficient members for a quorum are present, the members present will be regarded as a quorum after fifteen minutes.

7. DISCIPLINE

7.1 Club members will at all times comply with the domestic rules as promulgated by the Committee

7.2 The Committee or a committee appointed by it for this purpose can take disciplinary steps against members guilty of breach the domestic rules of where members act in a way that embarrasses the Club or is detrimental to its members.

7.3 Steps taken can include the withholding of one or more benefits or the temporary or permanent withholding of all benefits in case of a gross misdemeanour. With the proviso that owner members can only be denied access once the recommendation is accepted by a committee of owner members.



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8. FINANCES

- 8.1 Membership fees are determined on the Annual general Meeting and can only be changed with a majority of votes.
- 8.2 Bank accounts must be opened in the name of the Club with recognised financial institutions. Authorised signatories will be determined by the Club from time to time.
- 8.3 The Club will not be authorised to obtain overdraft facilities at any financial institution.
- 8.4 Auditors. The Committee shall annually appoint an auditing firm to check and audit the Club's books.
- 8.5 The Committee shall annually submit the audited statements to the Annual General Meeting together with a report of its activities.
- 8.6 Competency. In its dealings, the Club shall be represented by the Chairman and Secretary and such other committee members as the Committee may decide from time to time.
- 8.7 The Club's financial year starts at the first of July. Membership fees are due within 90 days of the beginning of the financial year.

9. GENERAL

- 9.1 The Club functions as a volunteer organisation without a profit motive established by the property owners of Schoemansville who enjoy the title right of free access to Hartbeespoort Dam.
- 9.2 Should the Schoemansville Oewer club be disbanded for any reason whatsoever the assets of the Club shall be transferred to a concern elected by its members.
- 9.3 Any amendments to the Constitution can only be affected at a properly constituted meeting of members with a two thirds majority of the members present and the consent of the owner members.
- 9.4 Business on the premises
 - 9.4.1 Since the Club is a volunteer organisation without a profit motive, members may not derive any financial benefit from their membership
 - 9.4.2 The Club shall be entitled to conduct internal business like a tuck shop as a service to members and visitors or to present events to collect funds.
 - 9.4.3 Service and charitable organisations may be permitted by the Committee to organise events on the premises to collect funds.
- 9.5 The office of the Club is situated at 58 Waterfront Street, Schoemansville.
- 9.6 Apart from its own domestic rules, the Club is also responsible for the enforcement of safety and other regulations promulgated by governmental bodies concerned.
- 9.7 In all its activities and resolutions the Club will honour the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa.