

THE SACRED TEMPLE CAT CLUB OF

NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED

CLUB RULES

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RULES OF THE SACRED TEMPLE CAT CLUB OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED

1. NAME

The club shall be called The Sacred Temple Cat Club of New Zealand Inc.

2. OBJECTIVES

- (1) To hold meeting of all person interested in The Sacred Temple Cat Club of New Zealand Inc.
- (2) To encourage the breeding of Birman Cats. To the best of standard in New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc.
- (3) To foster an interest, in and welfare of cats.
- (4) To hold shows and other functions as decided upon by the club.
- (5) To hold a Domestic Section with our annual show.
- (6) To print a newsletter relating to all cats, mainly Birmans, or any other matter's of interest to the members.
- (7) To support only clubs that, are affiliated to the New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- (1) Complete an application form, from the Club Secretary, or committee member.
- (2) Application form to be considered at the next committee member, or Annual General Meeting. The new member, when accepted shall be bound by the rules of the Club. The Club reserves the right to accept or reject any new members or renewals of memberships. A member may resign by notification to the Club Secretary in writing.
- (3) These shall be the following types of membership
 - (a) Full Member
 - Double Two Person
 - Single One Person
 - (b) Junior Person under (16 years)
 - (c) Associate Birmans owner, who wish to join, for the purpose of showing.
 - (d) Life elected at the Annual general Meeting. No fee payable only full financial members for the year ended shall be eligible to vote.

4. OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

- A**
 1. President
 2. Vice President
 3. Secretary
 4. Treasurer
 5. Delegate
- B** That No more than (1) person from any one family shall hold an Executive position in the club at any one time.

C Executive positions, holders of Executive position are required to step down after a period of three (3) years, But may re-stand if requested to do so.

D Patron(s) of the Club will be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

5. COMMITTEE

Shall be at least (6) members, but no more than (10)

Committee members shall hold office subject to these rules until the election of the, Committee at the following Annual General Meeting.

Control and investment of funds of the club will be direction of the Committee

The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall hold office in any Specialist Cat Club.

6. VACANCY ON THE COMMITTEE

In case of vacancy arising on the committee from whatever cause, the committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

7. VACANCY OF OTHER OFFICERS

In case of vacancy of the position of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer occurring in any Current year, the vacancy shall be filled by a member of the committee

8. COMMITTEE MEETING

Five members shall form a quorum

A meeting of the committee may be summoned at any time by the President, or six members, of the committee.

In the absence of the President, Vice President, the committee shall appoint a chairperson from their number And the chairperson shall have a casting vote, as well as a deliberate vote.

9. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A Special General Meeting of the members of the Club shall be convened by the Secretary on a requisition signed by 25% of the financial members of the club or by a resolution of the committee. Such a meeting shall be held within fourteen (14) days after receipts of such a requisition, and seven (7) days notice shall be given to financial members in writing setting out the purpose for which such a meeting is called. No other business may take place at such a Special General Meeting except those matters provided for in the requisition calling such a meeting.

10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

That Annual General meeting of the members of the Club shall be held within two months after the ends of the

financial year, which shall be 31st May. Election of Officer (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and delegate) shall be by written nomination, signed by the Nominee and two financial members, and must be in the hands of the Secretary by the 1st May. All members we be circulated these nominations and relevant information with an official Proxy voting form. Any member unable to attend the A.G.M. may exercise their vote on this official proxy voting form which must be in the hands of the Secretary (7) days prior to the meeting. Nominations for non-executive committee will be accepted from the floor. Notice shall also be by insertion in the local newspapers, setting out the time and place of the meeting seven (7) clear days notice must be given to members eight (8) financial members to for m a quorum and voting to be secret ballot.

11. ANNUAL REPORT AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

An Annual report of the Club's progress, which shall include a tabulated statement of the meeting of the Meeting of the committee with a duly audited Balance Sheet showing receipts and expenditure for the past year, and the assets and liabilities of the Club, shall be forwarded to each member or tabled at meeting resolved by the committee. After the Report and Balance Sheet have been presented and resolved upon, the meeting shall the proceed with election of Officers and committee.

12. CLUB MEETING

All club meeting are combined with committee meeting.

13. SUB COMMITTEE

The Committee shall have the power to appoint sub committee for any special objectives as required.

14. DUTIES OF OFFICER

The President shall preside at all meeting of the Club and Committee, to conduct the business and to decide on all points of order, to furnish and report to the Annual General Meeting on the activities of the club during the preceding year, to do all lawful duties as instructed and as usually appertain to the office of the **President**.

The Vice President shall deputise for the President when required and shall perform all duties proper to the President's absence or incapacity to act.

The Secretary shall in person (unless temporary substitute be appointed by the committee) attend each meeting of the Club and Committee, keep minutes of the proceedings, read and file all correspondence and communications, issue notice of meeting when directed and conduct correspondence. The Secretary shall maintain a full list of financial members.

The Treasurer shall collect all subscriptions, entry fees, and other revenue of the club. He / She shall pay into such Bank account as the Committee shall direct and keep a cash account containing a full record of all monies received and paid out. No accounts shall be paid unless the passbook by the committee and initialled by any committee member, excluding the Treasurer, the passbooks, accounts books, accounts and vouchers shall be produced at each meeting of the committee He / She shall present to the Annual General meeting a duly audited statement of income and expenditure and a balance sheet showing the receipts and expenditure for the year and liabilities and assets of the club.

15. PAY MENT FOR ACCOUNTS

President, Secretary, Treasurer shall be signatories for all outgoing funds of the club, any Two of these three To sign cheques.

16. DUTIES OF AUDITOR

An Honorary Auditor shall appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the club, and shall hold office Subject to these rules until the next Annual General Meeting . The Honorary Auditor may, at time, examine the Bank accounts books and vouchers of the Treasurer and shall report thereon to the Committee. The Honorary Auditor shall audit all accounts and balance sheet prior to their being presented to the Annual General Meeting of the club.

17. LIFE MEMBER

The Annual general Meeting may, by resolution (in recognition of services rendered to the Club) elect life members , who shall be exempt from all subscriptions and shall subject to these rules, be entitled to all rights of an ordinary member. Life members must be nominated in writing by two financial members and must be in the hands of the Secretary by the first 1st day of May.

18. CLAIMS OF THE CLUB PROPERTY

No member retiring from the club, or ceasing from any cause to be a member, shall be entitled to have Any claim upon any portion whatever of the property of the club.

19. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Shall enjoy all the privileges of the club but will not be eligible to vote at a General Meeting of the club The subscription year to be from 1 June to 31 May to the following year.

20. DISPUTES AND MISCONDUCTS AND MODES AT WHICH MEMBERSHIP MAY CEASE

The Committee shall arbitrate all matters under dispute. Any member found guilty of wilfully infringing The rules of action in manner prejudicial to the interest of the club shall be liable to be expelled by the committee at a meeting held for that purpose. Before such a meeting is called, a change in writing must be Forwarded to the member accused, and his/her presence requested at a meeting duly convened. The votes of such a meeting shall be taken as by secret ballot, when if a bare majority of the votes of the meeting be for expulsion of the accused member, he/she shall be expelled, and there forthwith forfeit all claims upon the club property or trophies.

21. PREFIX FORMS

In the case of a new member, or members, who wish to breed they must be a member for (4) months Before the application form is signed by 3 NZCF registered Breeders

22. CLUB TROPHIES AND SPECIALS

The committee shall decide upon the allocation of the Club's trophies and cash specials each year.

23. CUSTODY OF SEAL

The Secretary shall have custody of the Common Seal of the Club, which shall be affixed only in the Presence of the President and Secretary or, in the absence of either, in the presence of the other two Committee members.

24. WINDING UP

In the event of winding up of the Club under the provisions of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 All assets shall be realised and any surplus funds, after payment of all debts and liabilities, shall be deposited Of in such a manner as may be decided at an extraordinary General Meeting, called for such a purpose and that no one member shall benefit from this action of winding up of the club.

25. ALTERATION TO THE RULES

These rules may be changed or altered of the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting of the Club except that no addition to or alteration of the non profit aims personal benefits clause or winding up clause shall be approved without the approval of the Inland Revenue Department. And the provisions and effect of this clause shall not be removed from this document and shall be included and implied into any document replacing this document. Notice of motion for any intended alteration, amendment, or deletion of any rule must be lodged with the Secretary, in writing, at least (14) days prior to holding of any Special Meeting or General Meeting, called for the purpose. A copy of such notice shall be forwarded to any member on request.

26. GENERAL

If any case occurs which is not, or alleged not to be provided for by these rules, it shall be determined by the Committee in such a manner as they deem fit, and the decision of the committee shall be final. These rules Should not be repealed , altered or amended except as herein provided. Nothing in these rules shall be Interpreted to read in conflict with the rules of the New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc. All financial members of This Club are bound by the rules of the New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc and the New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc, shall have disciplinary powers over all member.