

## **BY-LAWS**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The membership card you have been issued allows you to take advantage of all member facilities and benefits. However, until your application for membership has been accepted at a monthly meeting of the Board of Directors this is only a proposed member card.

You desire to become a Member of the Penrith Rugby League Club Limited and you hereby agree, if admitted, to be bound by the Constitution and By-Laws of Panthers North Richmond.

Any member who wilfully refuses or neglects to comply with the provisions of the Club's Constitution or any by-law may be subject to disciplinary procedures in Accordance with the provisions of Rule 113 of the Constitution of PENRITH RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB LIMITED.

### **1. CONSTITUTION**

- 1.1 Any member wishing to study the full context of the Constitution may purchase a copy for \$2.00 at reception at the club's premises;
- 1.2 Changes to the Constitution can only be effected by special resolution passed by a majority of at least 75% of those attending and voting at an Annual General Meeting or General Meeting who are entitled to vote.

### **2. TRADING HOURS**

- 2.1 Trading area hours vary at different club premises. Panthers operates during advertised hours as are required by law from time to time.

### **3. DRESS REGULATIONS**

- 3.1 Members and guests are required to be dressed in attire that is neat, clean and not offensive.
- 3.2 The door staff or security may determine if a person is suitably attired to enter Panthers.
- 3.3 If a member or guest disagrees with the decision of the door staff, the Duty Manager will make the final determination.

### **4. CHEQUES**

- 4.1 Panthers has a policy of not cashing cheques and is unavailable at Club Premises.

### **5. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, DISORDERLINESS OR OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE**

- 5.1 Anti-social behaviour, disorderliness or offensive language will not be tolerated.
- 5.2 Each is an offence for which a member or guest may be asked to leave club premises/property. Any member violating these rules will be liable to suspension subject to the provisions of Rule 113 of the Constitution of PENRITH RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB LIMITED.

### **6. NON-BAR AREAS**

- 6.1 Members and guests are asked not to take or consume liquor, in places not set aside for that purpose, e.g. foyer, front steps etc.

- 6.2 Members in an Electronic Gaming Machine area not playing an Electronic Gaming Machine and loitering and / or drinking may be asked to move to a bar or lounge area.

## 7. **ELECTRONIC GAMING MACHINES**

- 7.1 Only \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100 Australian notes and approved cash out tickets are to be inserted in Electronic Gaming Machines note acceptors. Damaged or unclean notes must not be inserted into Electronic Gaming Machines.
- 7.2 It is the player's responsibility to report the following matters:-
- A Machine that appears to be malfunctioning and immediately stop playing of that Machine.
  - a Machine not paying correctly on winning combinations;
  - a Machine being able to be played without credits being deducted or coins/inserted; or
  - a Machine door or cash-box door being unlocked.
- 7.3 Legal proceedings may be instituted against any player who:-
- makes any fraudulent claim;
  - causes malicious damage to an Electronic Gaming Machine;
  - tilts, rocks or mishandles any Machine;
  - uses undue force when playing a Machine;
  - uses any foreign object on, in or near any Electronic Gaming Machine; or
  - fails to report any malfunction of an Electronic Gaming Machine.
  - uses a gaming Machine for the intent of money laundering
  - breaks any of the clubs Gaming Machine rules
  - removes credits from a Gaming Machine that they are not entitled to
- 7.4 Panthers reserves the right to:-
- withhold any payout to any person not abiding by these By-Laws;
  - withhold any payout, where such payout is in dispute or where the credentials of the player to receive the jackpot are not established;
  - to refuse any person, member or guest, the right to play Machines;
  - place any Machine "out of order"; or
  - ask any player to only play one Machine at any one time.
- 7.5 Only one Machine may be reserved at any one time and only for the period of 10 minutes in any hour.
- 7.6 It is the player's responsibility to ensure that they have been given the correct amount of money by a cashier.
- 7.7 Any disputes over payment or non-payment by any Electronic Gaming Machine will be decided within one week by management.
- 7.8 The Club provides self-exclusion, third-party and Club-initiated exclusion programs allowing patrons to restrict access to gambling at the Club. If you would like to self-exclude, or obtain further information about exclusions, please speak to a staff member or the Duty Manager.
- 7.9 Syndicate play, evidenced by such actions including, but not limited to, organised group monopolisation of gaming Machines, providing payout details of individuals other than those in control of the Machine at the time of the win, and individuals playing more than one Machine at a time, is not permitted at any time, and any person, member or guest engaging in this conduct may:
- have any payouts withheld;
  - be asked to leave the premises;
- 7.10 Any member violating these rules will be liable to suspension subject to the provisions of Rule 113 of the Constitution of PENRITH RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB LIMITED.
- 7.11 Any guest violating these rules may be asked to leave Panthers.

8. **MULTI-TERMINAL GAMING MACHINES (MTGM)**

- 8.1 All relevant rules pertaining to Electronic Gaming Machine operations will apply to a MTGM.
- 8.2 Only one person may operate any terminal at any one time.
- 8.3 Legal proceedings may be taken against any person who:-
- causes or attempts to cause disruption to any event conducted by a MTGM;
  - disconnects or attempts to disconnect the power to a MTGM; or
  - wagers on the result of any event conducted by a MTGM with another person.

9. **LINKED JACKPOTS**

- 9.1 All relevant rules pertaining to Electronic Gaming Machine operations will apply to linked jackpots.
- 9.2 In the event of a dispute over a linked jackpot, Panthers reserves the right to:-
- accept evidence from parties involved in the dispute;
  - reserve judgement on a disputed payout for a period of one week;
  - make a judgement as to which party is entitled to the disputed payout;
  - make a judgement to divide the disputed payout between parties in the event that the evidence does not indicate which party is entitled to the payout; or
  - make a judgement that neither party is entitled to the payout; or
  - refer the matter to the NSW Office of Liquor and Gaming.
- 9.3 Legal proceedings may be instituted against any person who:-
- makes a false claim to a linked jackpot; or
  - uses a foreign object on, in or near any link controller.

9A. **PAYMENT OF PRIZE MONEY**

- 9A.1 All prizes can be paid by a Cash Redemption Terminal (under \$5,000) or by a cashier.
- 9A.2 Prizes or accumulated credits of \$5,000 and over will be paid by crossed cheque made payable to the prize-winner, or may be paid by electronic funds transfer to an account nominated by the prize-winner.

10. **KENO**

- 10.1 It is the player's responsibility to:-
- check the original entry form for incorrect markings;
  - check ticket/s immediately they are issued; and
  - ensure he/she has sufficient time to place a wager on a particular game.
- 10.2 A ticket may only be declared void and monies refunded if the ticket is presented prior to the next game being conducted.
- 10.3 All disputes will be referred to Keno for its determination.

11. **PROMOTIONS**

- 11.1 All gaming promotions, except where expressly provided otherwise in the terms and conditions of a specific promotion, shall be available exclusively to financial members of Panthers and may be restricted to a particular venue or site.
- 11.2 All promotions are to be conducted in strict adherence to the conditions as approved by any relevant Government Department.
- 11.3 In the event of a dispute, the matter will be decided by Panthers within one week;
- 11.4 If Panthers is unable to give judgment on any dispute, the matter may be referred to the Liquor and Gaming NSW or any other relevant Government Department.

## 12. **LENDING OR BORROWING**

- 12.1 Persons attempting to lend or borrow money on Panthers premises from employees, members or guests are liable to be suspended from membership.
- 12.2 Persons may not take any actions to recover monies claimed from or owed by any other person.

## 13. **ENTERING PANTHERS**

- 13.1 A member is required to scan their membership card on the electronic sign in register or show upon request. Door staff or security have the right to refuse admission to anyone unless proof of membership or acceptable proof of age or guest bona fides can be shown.
- 13.2 The use of a door not designated as an entrance is an offence against Panthers rules and the Registered Clubs Act.

## 14. **MINORS**

- 14.1 Persons under the age of 18 years are subject at all times to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act and any other legislation:-
  - May use the non-restricted areas of Panthers provided they remain under the constant supervision of a parent, relative or responsible adult;
  - May attend special events at Panthers where Panthers agrees to provide supervision for the duration of the special event; or
  - May be permitted to use any area designated as a 'Child Minding Area' where Panthers agrees to provide supervision by qualified staff members.
  - are not permitted to sign in on the electronic sign in register.
- 14.2 A member or guest who is responsible for supervising a person under 18 years of age and who fails to do so, will be liable to suspension subject to the provisions of Rule 113 of the Constitution of PENRITH RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB LIMITED. Such person may also be liable to penalty under the Registered Clubs Act.

## 15. **GUESTS**

Subject at all times to the provisions of the Registered Clubs Act.

- 15.1 Each member is entitled to bring guests to Panthers and each guest's name and address must be entered in the sign in guest register with the signature of the member.
- 15.2 Persons under 18 cannot enter club premises except as a guest and are restricted as outlined in clause 14.1.
- 15.3 Members are directly responsible for the actions of their guests while on club premises. A member could be reprimanded, suspended or expelled from membership because of the behaviour of a person signed in as a guest, so members should be careful not to introduce guests indiscriminately.

## 16. **DEPARTING FROM PANTHERS PREMISES**

- 16.1 Members and their guests are specially requested to leave the building as quietly as possible to comply with the relevant laws and with respect for our neighbours.
- 16.2 Members who refuse to comply with this request are liable to face suspension from membership.

## 17. **UNATTENDED CHILDREN**

- 17.1 Children are not to be left in cars or other vehicles while their parents, guardians or carers are in or on club premises. It is against Panthers rules to leave children unattended in club premises foyer or outside club building.

18. **RULES AND BY-LAWS**

18.1 Any By-Law passed by the Board of Directors shall come into force and be fully operative upon the posting of an appropriate notice containing such By-Law on the Notice Board.

19. **SUSPICIOUS MATTERS**

19.1 Money is only to be inserted in Gaming Machines to enable Gaming Machine play.

Persons who insert amounts in excess of \$100 into a Gaming Machine at a time and then cash out after no play or minimal play without excuse may be guilty of misconduct and excluded from the Club or face disciplinary action.

19.2 Gaming Machines are provided for the recreation of individual patrons and activities of a commercial nature including syndicate play, "link chasing", bet hedging on Multi Terminal Gaming Machines or arrangements to play a Gaming Machine on behalf of another person are prohibited.

19.3 Any concerns of suspicious activity in relation to Anti-Money Laundering / Counter Financing (AML/CTF) should be reported to the Duty Manager.

20. **MASS INFORMATION MEDIA**

20.1 Members using mass information media (including but not limited to Facebook, Youtube, X, Snapchat, Instagram, TikTok, other online social forums etc.) (collectively "Mass Information Media") for the purpose of deliberately insulting, harassing or unfairly criticising another member or organisation may be referred to the Board to be reprimanded, suspended, expelled from membership or otherwise dealt with.

20.2 In accordance with Rules 40 and 41 of the Constitution:

(a) a member must not use or knowingly allow their name to be used or published by way of Mass Information Media in support of any notice of motion to be dealt with by members at any Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting;

(b) a member who has nominated for election to the Board of Directors of Penrith Rugby League Club Limited, the board of Penrith District Rugby League Football Club Limited, or any Advisory Committee must not, during the course of the elections (being the period from when nominations close to when the ballot closes), personally use, or authorise, direct or procure any other person to use Mass Information Media to make any comment or statement in support of, or canvassing support for, their candidature or the candidature of any other member;

(c) a member must not distribute by way of Mass Information Media any written matter, how-to-vote card or other material canvassing support for any notice of motion or any candidature referred to in paragraphs (a) or (b) above.

20.3 Any member who acts in contravention of By-Law 20.2 shall, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, forfeit their membership of the Club in accordance with Rules 40 and 41 of the Constitution.

21. **BOARD ELECTIONS**

Members who have nominated and are standing for election to the board of Penrith District Rugby League Football Club Limited and Penrith Rugby League Club Limited are asked not to involve themselves or other person(s) on any Panthers club premises or property, or in the vicinity of any club property, in any activity either directly or indirectly involved in their candidacy (activity - which includes but is not limited to distributing documents, making public statements, advertising or by other means and includes Mass Information Media as defined in Penrith Rugby League Club By-Law 20).