

# Bylaws

Of the  
**Parramatta Toastmasters Club**  
Of Parramatta, NSW, Australia

Club No. 2274, District No. 70

## Article I

### Name:

The name and location of this Club shall be as set forth above in the title of these Bylaws. Such name and location may be changed as provided in Article VII below.

## Article II

### Membership:

*Sec. 1.* Subject to the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in Section 1 of Article II of the Club Constitution, individual membership in this Club shall be restricted to: "***no restrictions***".

*Sec.2.* Honorary individual memberships in this Club shall be conferred for a term of 1 year and otherwise as provided in the Club Constitution.

## Article III

### Fees and Dues:

*Sec. 1.* The initiation fee for individual membership in this Club shall be \$50.00, payable as provided in the Club Constitution.

*Sec. 2.* The dues of this Club for active individual members shall be \$45 per person per 6 months or \$8 per month pro rata. Such dues shall be payable in advance on or before 15th March and 15th September. However, dues may be paid for a 12 month period beginning in October, in which case reduced dues of \$80 are payable.

*Sec. 3.* Reinstatement to individual membership of a former individual member shall call for a payment of a reinstatement fee of \$10 where the period of absence is greater than 6 months and the member does not wish to pay a new member fee to Toastmasters International.

*Sec. 4.* The fee for an individual member of another Toastmasters Club who transfers into this Club shall be \$10.00. Other conditions of transfer into this Club shall be as stated in the Club Constitution.

*Sec. 5.* The dues of this Club for inactive individual members shall be as in Sec. 2.

## Article IV

### Meetings:

*Sec. 1.* Regular meetings of this Club, which shall include any business meeting of active individual members, shall be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of each month, at such hour and place as this Club from time to time shall designate, and where there are 5 Thursdays in a month an additional meeting shall be held at such hour and place as this Club from time to time shall designate.

*Sec. 2.* Special business meetings of this Club may be called by a majority vote of the active individual members present and voting at any regular meeting at which a quorum is present, or by the Club President.

*Sec. 3.* The Executive Committee of this Club shall meet at least monthly, at such hours and places as it may determine.

## Article V

### Election of Officers:

*Sec. 1.* The Officers of this Club shall be as provided in the Club Constitution, with selection, duties, and terms as provided therein. In addition, this Club shall have as Officers: "*none*"

*Sec. 2.* The additional Officers of this Club provided in the preceding Section shall be selected and have duties as follows: "*none*"

*Sec. 3.* This Club elects Officers for the following terms of office: Full-year terms, from July 1 to June 30.

## Article VI

### Rules of Order:

*Sec. 1.* Since Robert's Rules are not a recognised authority on parliamentary procedure in the jurisdiction where this Club is located, Renton's Guide for Meetings shall be deemed substituted for Robert's Rules in Article IX, Sec. 1, of the Club Constitution with respect to this Club.

## Article VII

### Amendments:

*Sec. 1.* Subject to the review of Toastmasters International, and provided the proposed amendment is within the scope of permitted amendments, these Bylaws may be amended, including amendments to change the name or location of this Club, at any duly called and noticed business meeting of this Club at which a quorum is present, by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the active individual members present and voting. Any such amendment must be proposed in writing by an active individual member at the meeting immediately preceding that at which the amendment is to be voted on.

*Sec. 2.* The scope of these Bylaws, and any amendments to these Bylaws, is limited to the matters specifically placed within the discretion of this Club by the Club Constitution or by a policy of the Board of Directors of Toastmasters International. This Club shall not have the power to amend any reference in these Bylaws to the Club Constitution.

*Sec. 3.* Upon its adoption by this Club, the Club Secretary shall immediately mail a copy of any Bylaws amendment to the Executive Director at World Headquarters of Toastmasters International for review. If Toastmasters International finds that the amendment does not exceed the scope of permitted amendments to the Bylaws of this Club and is not otherwise improper, the amendment shall be filed in the records of Toastmasters International. If Toastmasters International determines that the amendment exceeds the scope of permitted amendments or is otherwise improper, Toastmasters International shall so notify this Club, and the amendment shall be null, void, and of no effect.

## Article VIII

### Dissolution:

In the event of dissolution of this Club, the distribution of the Club's remaining funds under Article XI, Section 2, of this Club's Constitution shall be made by contribution to another Australian Toastmasters Club or Australian Toastmasters District.

### Note:

These Bylaws were adopted by Parramatta Toastmasters Club at a regular meeting on 15th December, 1994. They were amended to change the fees and to add Article VIII at a regular meeting on 15th February, 2001, amended on 27th February, 2003 to change the meetings schedule and amended on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2011 to again change the fees in Article III, Sec. 2.