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MEMBERSHIP TO THE SOCIETY –

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In accordance with our by-laws, membership in the Society shall consist of:

- the minimum of the 5 subscribers to the Memorandum of Association
- individuals, corporations or societies who subscribe to the objectives of the Society
- those who pay the annual membership fee in an amount to be determined by the Society
- honorary members appointed by the board.

While we do not have an annual membership fee, purchasers of a season pass to the Touch Tank Hut or the future Back to the Sea Aquarium will be members of the Society until the start of the following season. A group season pass is deemed to be one member and the group may designate any individual as its voting representative.

Additionally, any person donating a minimum of \$25 in a given year is a member. Any corporation or society donating a minimum of \$100 in a given year is deemed to be one member. Membership expires after the AGM until a new donation has been made.

Volunteers contributing a minimum of 6 hours in a given year are also voting members. Membership expires at the start of every season until hours have been accumulated once again.

The following is also stated in our by-laws.

- A corporation or a society is deemed to be one member and may designate any individual as its representative at any members' meetings. In the event that the designated representative is also a voting member of the Society, that individual may only cast one vote in respect of any motion.
- Membership in the Society is not transferable.
- Membership in the Society shall cease:
 - upon death, or
 - if the member resigns by written notice to the Society, or
 - if the member ceases to qualify for membership in accordance with the by-laws, or
 - if, by a vote of the majority of the members of the society or a majority vote of the Directors of the Society at a meeting duly called and for which notice of the proposed action has been given, the Member's membership in the Society has been terminated.
- Every member is entitled to attend any members' meeting of the Society.

- Every voting member subject to by-law 4 shall have one vote and no more and there shall not be proxy voting.
- Members who are minors shall be non-voting members.
- No funds of the society shall be paid to or be available for the personal benefit of any member.

For information on members' meetings and the Annual General Meeting see the by-laws.