

ORIGINAL SET OF RULES

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ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION

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NEW SOUTH WALES.

1. That this Association be called "THE ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES."

OBJECTS.

2. The object of this Association is to hold Monthly Meetings, at which papers will be read on General Engineering and Manufacturing subjects, and discussion held thereon; also to watch the progress of Mechanical Arts in other countries, keeping in view their adaptation to the wants of this colony; and for general diffusion of mechanical knowledge among its members.

SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION.

3. No paper or subject connected with any work or works in progress in any manufactory or workshop in this colony is to be brought forward for discussion or criticism, unless introduced by a member of the firm engaged in such work, or with their consent, given in writing to the Secretary, and read by him to the meeting. With this exception, all engineering subjects are open for discussion.

OFFICERS.

4. That the Officers consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and six members of Committee; all Officers to be members of Committee; five to form a quorum.

PRESIDENT.

5. The President to be Chairman of all meetings, both of the Association and of the Committee; in his absence, the Vice-President to take the chair; and if both are absent, the meeting to elect a Chairman for the evening from the members present.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

6. The Officers and Committee of Management to be elected annually by ballot, at a Special General Meeting, to be called in October. Any vacancies occurring between the Yearly Meetings to be filled up by ballot at the next Ordinary Meeting, when not less than twelve members are present.

QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS.

7. Ordinary members to consist of persons engaged in general and mechanical engineering in any of its branches.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

8. Candidates for admission to be proposed and seconded at one of the Monthly Meetings of the Association, and balloted for at the next regular meeting, at which there are twelve (12) members present. No one to be admitted a member unless two-thirds of those present vote in his favour. Every member, when elected, shall receive due notice of the same, together with a copy of the Rules and By-Laws of the Association.

FEEES.

9. Every member, on his admission, shall pay an entrance fee of one pound (£1), and a half year's subscription, at the rate of 12/- per annum. Subscriptions, at the rate of twelve shillings (12/-) per annum, to be paid half-yearly in advance, in the months of October and April. Members whose subscriptions have not been paid will not be entitled to any of the privileges of the Association.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

10. Gentlemen who have been promoters of the objects of the Association, or who have contributed to the advance of Engineering and Manufacturing industries, may be proposed as honorary members by the Committee of Management, and elected at a general meeting of the Association. Honorary members will participate in all the privileges enjoyed by members, but shall not hold office, vote, or interfere with the business of the Association; and no fees or subscriptions shall be required from honorary members.

EXPULSION OF MEMBERS.

11. A majority of members present, at any ordinary meeting, may expel an obnoxious member from the Society, provided that a resolution to that effect has been moved and seconded at the previous ordinary meeting, and that due notice of the same has been sent in writing to the member in question, within a week after the meeting at which such resolution has been brought forward. The vote to be taken by ballot.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

12. The general meetings of the Association to be held on the second Wednesday of each month.

ENGINEERING PAPERS.

13. Any member wishing to read a paper, or bring forward any subject for discussion, must give notice to the Secretary in writing, who will lay it before the Committee; and if approved of, notice will be given at the General Meeting, one month previous to the paper being read and discussed.

READING AND DISCUSSION OF PAPERS.

14. Any member of the Association reading a paper or bringing forward any subject of discussion, shall be entitled to the attention of the meeting for such time as he may require for that purpose, but the Chairman shall have power to adjourn the meeting on a motion to that effect being made and carried; the continuation of that paper or the discussion thereon to take precedence of all other subjects at the adjourned meeting. No member to address the meeting twice on the same subject unless in explanation of his previous remarks;

and with the permission of the Chairman, with this exception, that the member introducing the subject shall have the right of reply. The Chairman shall have power to call any member to order, or on having his attention drawn to such may request the withdrawal of any expression made use of by a member which may be considered personal or disparaging to the character of another member, and in the event of a member refusing to withdraw such expression or submit to the ruling of the Chairman, he (the Chairman) shall have power to prohibit the member from further participation in the discussion in hand. All papers read to become the property of the Association, and to be filed and kept for reference to by the members.

EXTRACTS.

15. Any member wishing to read an article or extract from any scientific work or journal on mechanical subjects, and bring the same before the Association for discussion may do so provided the Committee shall approve of such as being a subject likely to forward the scientific and manufacturing interests of the colony. The article or paper to be read to be subject to the same rules as original papers.

VISITORS.

16. Members to have the privilege of introducing a friend to any ordinary monthly meeting. They shall sign their name and enter their address in the visitors' book, but no visitors to take any share in the business of the Association.

SECRETARY'S DUTIES.

17. The Secretary to attend all meetings, and read the minutes which shall be entered in a book kept for that purpose. He shall receive all moneys and keep a correct account of the same, paying all such sums into the hands of the Treasurer with as little delay as possible, taking a receipt for the same.

ACCOUNTS.

18. The funds of the Association will be lodged in the Bank approved by the Association, and payments made by the Treasurer under the direction and only with the sanction of the Committee, through the Chairman.

AUDITORS.

19. Two Auditors shall be appointed at the meeting of the Association in August or September, the accounts audited and laid before the General Meeting in October.

ALTERATION OF RULES.

20. Any alteration or addition to the above rules must be proposed and seconded at one meeting and carried at a subsequent meeting. The adjourned meeting for confirmation of the above Rules, will be held at School of Arts, Pitt Street, on Wednesday night, 26th October, at half past seven.