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CONSTITUTION

The Club under the following articles shall be known as “The GT Club inc” and hereafter referred to as “The GT Club” and shall be a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE ONE – OBJECTIVES & PURPOSES

- 1) To perpetuate the history and future preservation of the Falcon GT (Grand Tourer)
- 2) To promote and encourage family/social activities within The GT Club and with similar clubs.
- 3) To take any action to increase the popularity, knowledge and membership of The GT Club.
- 4) To establish and maintain a register of members and vehicles.
- 5) To establish and distribute bulletins or regular publications to all financial members and at the discretion of the committee, to associated Clubs and interested parties.
- 6) To maintain the core aims of The GT Club inc, these being to:
Be true to the charter of the club as to maintain a 60% content of 67-76 Falcon GT's.
To honour the limited run special allowance these cars being produced by Ford, in keeping with the Grand Tourer.
These vehicles being. Goss/Cobra Coupes...EB-EL-GT's...TE-TS 50's...BF-GT 40...BF-GT Cobra...
Plus any vehicle that Ford produces in limited /production performance orientated, in honour of the GRAND TOURER as in the above qualifying cars:
67-76 Tribute class Falcon GT's (Honouring the Grand Tourer)
South African Fairmont GT's.
Associate vehicles at the committee's discretion.

ARTICLE TWO - MEMBERSHIP

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Should a full member dispose of their G.T. or qualifying vehicle without replacement, then such member shall retain their full membership until the end of the financial year. After that time they shall be classed as an associate member if they rejoin. Upon the purchase of another G.T or qualifying vehicle that member shall again be eligible for full membership.

DISPOSAL OF VEHICLE

If a committee member should dispose of their G.T. or qualifying vehicle without replacement, then such committee member shall be classed as full members until they stand down at the A.G.M, at which point they will revert to associate membership. If resignation from the committee occurs and the member has disposed of his or her G.T. or qualifying vehicle that person shall immediately assume associate status.

VINTAGE VEHICLE PERMIT SCHEME

Administration of the Clubs participation in the Conditional Registration Scheme shall be documented in a separate constitution specific to this purpose.

VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION

In the event of complaints from any Three (3) members doubting the correct classification of another members G.T. or qualifying vehicle, these members must advise the committee of their doubts. If the committee feels that these doubts are justified, the committee shall appoint a member or members who are suitably qualified who, along with a committee member, shall inspect the vehicle and determine whether the member 's car is correctly classified. Once a member's car has been classified this car shall not be liable for any further complaints.

MEMBER NUMBERS

- 1) Upon joining The GT Club, the member will be issued with a Club number, that being the next available number.
- 2) If a member is unfinancial for more than two (2) months after their fees are due, their member number shall be forfeited and they will be issued with the next available number upon payment of their fee. That member must then pay the initial joining fee again, along with the annual subscription. A member shall no longer receive newsletters after two (2) months of being unfinancial.
- 3) Once a number ceases to be used for any reason, that number shall be reissued the next financial year, at the committee's discretion.
- 4) Any new member, either full or associate joining part way through the financial year shall be required to subscribe for the remaining portion of the financial year.

- 5) If a member leaves the Club before the end of the financial year, that person shall not be entitled to any refund on that years' membership.
- 6) All members cars will be eligible to be displayed together as long as it is in the best interests of the club charter at the discretion of the committee, these vehicles will be permitted to represent the club at shows, displays and Concourse at the committee's discretion.

ARTICLE THREE - OFFICE BEARERS

COMMITTEE MAKEUP

- 1) The committee shall consist of four members being; President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- 2) If the committee feels they need assistance in running the Club, they may call nominations for other members, eg. Editor, Events Organizers or assistants. These members may be appointed at any time throughout the year, should the committee require it.
- 3) A committee members shall be a full member, however, should a position not be filled by a full member then an associate member may be nominated and the elected member shall hold that position
- 4) Elections shall be held bi-annually at the June meeting. This shall be known as the Bi-Annual General Meeting.

ELECTIONS

- 5) Committee members shall hold their position until the beginning of the next B-A.G.M unless such committee member vacates the position or becomes unfinancial for more than one (1) month or is excluded under Article 3, clause (h).
- 6) All committee shall retire at the commencement of the A.G.M and shall be eligible for re-election.
- 7) Only one (1) vote per financial member, either full or associate, is permitted.

VACANCY

- 8) If, during the term of office any office bearer's position becomes vacant for any reason an election may be held (at the discretion of the remaining committee members) at the next general meeting following publication of the vacancy in the newsletter. If the President's position becomes vacant, the Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer in that order, shall become President. That person's position may then be filled as stated in this clause.
- 9) At the discretion of the majority of the remaining committee members, any committee member who fails to attend two (2) consecutive committee meetings, general meetings or Club runs, without apology or just cause, shall thereby render themselves liable to expulsion from the committee.

QUORUM

- 10) At each B-A.G.M a quorum shall be no less than 20% of the total

membership, not including member clubs. One of these must be a committee member.

ARTICLE FOUR – FUNDS

OPERATION OF ACCOUNT

1) The funds of the Club shall be banked in the name of the Club. The account shall be operated by a minimum of two (2) committee members.

INSPECTION OF ACCOUNTS

2) Any member may inspect Club records and books upon request to the committee.

3) All incoming and outgoing funds through the Club cheque account should be notified to the members within one month (ie at the next meeting).

ARTICLE FIVE - AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

1) The Constitution may be amended at a general meeting or special meeting for that purpose. One (1) months notice of motion shall be required for amendments to the Constitution (in the Club newsletter).

2) The amendment shall be deemed accepted if passed by two thirds of the full members present and providing 25% of the full Club members are present (not including member dubs). Only full members may call for a vote on matters concerning the constitution.

ARTICLE SIX MEMBER - CONDUCT

1) If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of three or more members, be contrary to the interests or welfare of the Club, the member may be called upon to justify and explain.

2) If, after consideration it is the Club's opinion that the conduct of such a member is as charged, the Club may suspend, caution or expel such a member, providing two thirds of the majority of members at the next meeting after notification in the newsletter agree to the decision.

3) A minimum of fifteen (25) members, either full or associate, shall be present. Any such decision shall be conveyed to the member in writing by the committee.

ARTICLE SEVEN - TROPHIES

ANNUAL CONCOURSE

- 1) An Annual Concourse shall be held each year along guidelines determined at the committee's discretion.
- 2) If the committee decides that the Concourse will be competitive, it will be open to all members of The GT Club with the proviso that if a car is to be judged it must join the Club before being judged or be judged at the discretion of the committee.
- 3) The judges will be selected at a meeting prior to the Concourse date by the membership. The judges decision will be final.
- 4) People's choice trophy/trophies shall be awarded at the membership's discretion by the people present on the day.
- 5) At the discretion of the committee, other trophies may be presented throughout the year including:

OTHER AWARDS

- Most Improved Car in the Club (Full member only)
- Most Enthusiastic Full Member
- Most Enthusiastic Associate Member
- Best New Member (Full Member only)
- Best Car on runs (Full Member only)

ARTICLE EIGHT - DISSOLUTION

- 1) The Club shall dissolve in the event of membership (not including member clubs) being less than sixteen (16) members.
- 2) The Club shall dissolve if there are less than two (2) committee members for more than five (5) weeks.
- 3) If it is called by three (3) or more full members at one time to dissolve the Club, then a special meeting shall be called at the next meeting after the newsletter notification. There must be at least 20% of full members present (not including member clubs and associates), and the motion must be accepted by an 80% majority.
- 4) Only full members may vote on this issue. All assets in the Club name shall be auctioned to previous club members, the proceeds of which shall be given to a nominated charity.

KEEPING OF RECORDS.

- 1) All club records will be kept by the public officer of the club...
- 2) Limited mailing details and member numbers will be made available, so as to accommodate magazine distribution and maintenance of financial member status.