



# Declaration of Results

ACDS 2021 Annual General Meeting

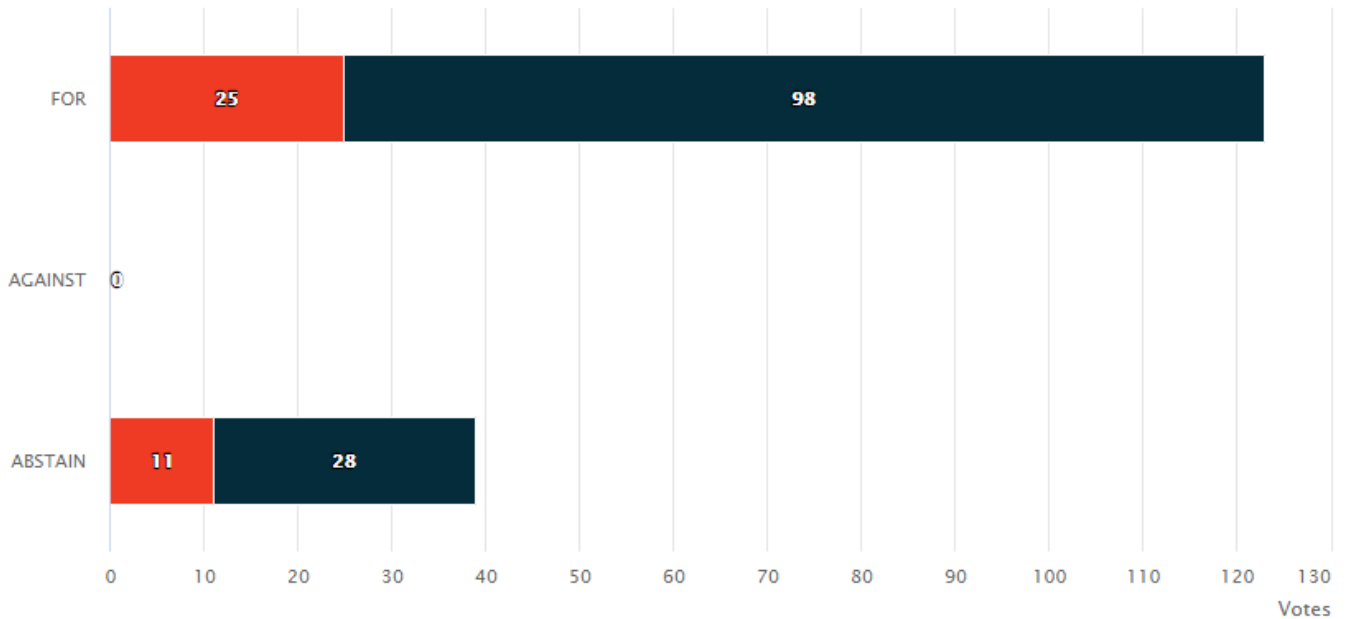
Australian Carriage Driving Society Inc

Thursday, August 5, 2021

## Vote Result

Total Members: 879  
 Total Participated: 167 (maximum votes on any item)  
 Final Vote Audit: 8/5/2021 11:06:29 AM

### To approve the Minutes of Annual General Meeting Held on 25 October 2020.

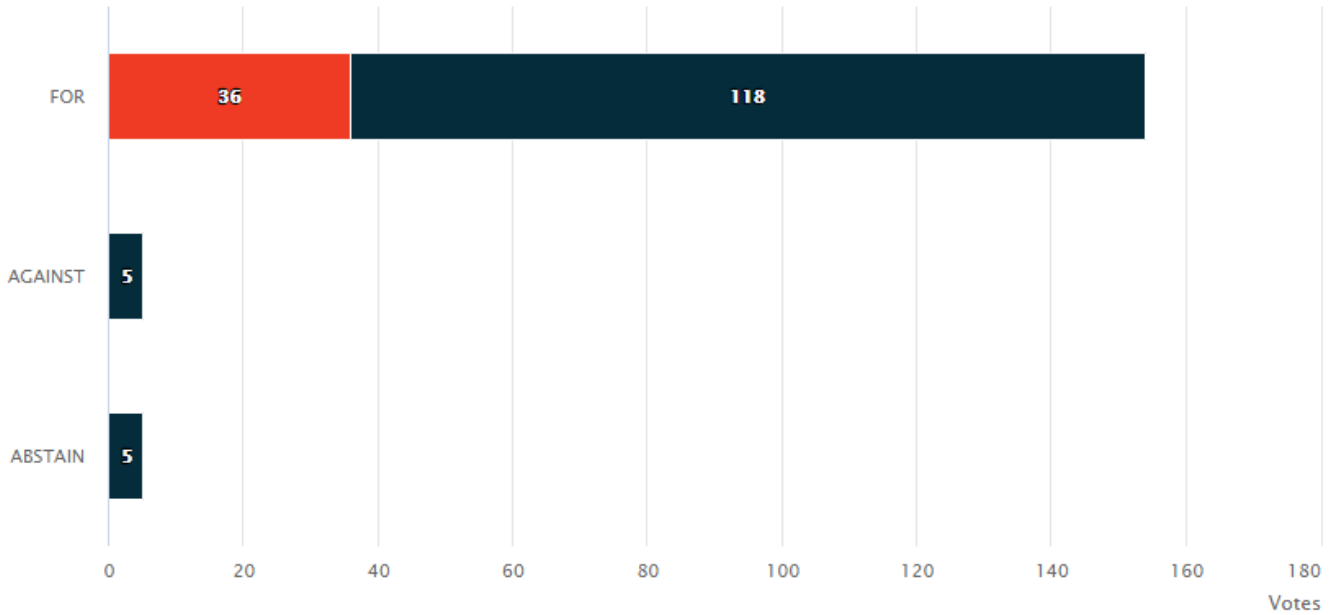


FOR	123	75.93%	Result: 100.00%
AGAINST	0	0.00%	
ABSTAIN	39	24.07%	

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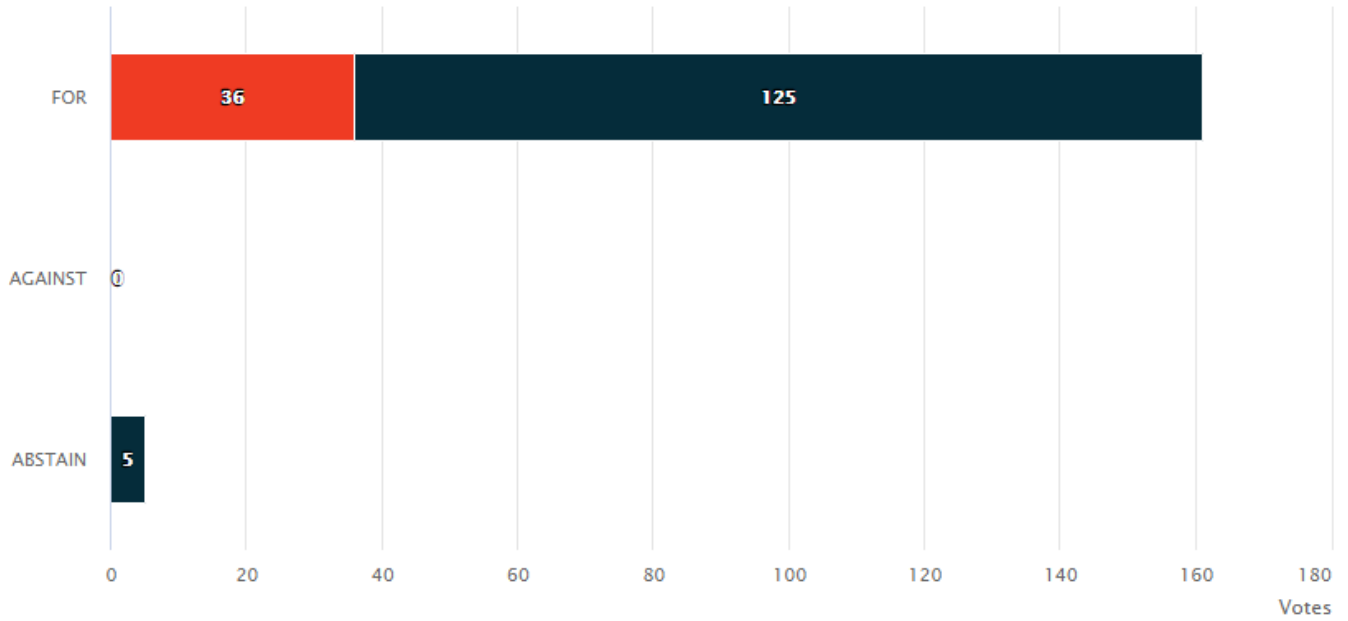
To ratify the membership fees for 2021-2022.

- i. Family Membership
- ii. Single Membership
- iii. Junior Membership
- iv. Associate Membership
- v. Journal Subscription
- vi. Officials Membership
- vii. One Activity Membership



FOR	154	93.90%	Result: 96.86%
AGAINST	5	3.05%	
ABSTAIN	5	3.05%	
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To consider and if thought fit, approve the appointment of Anne Eldridge as Public Officer.

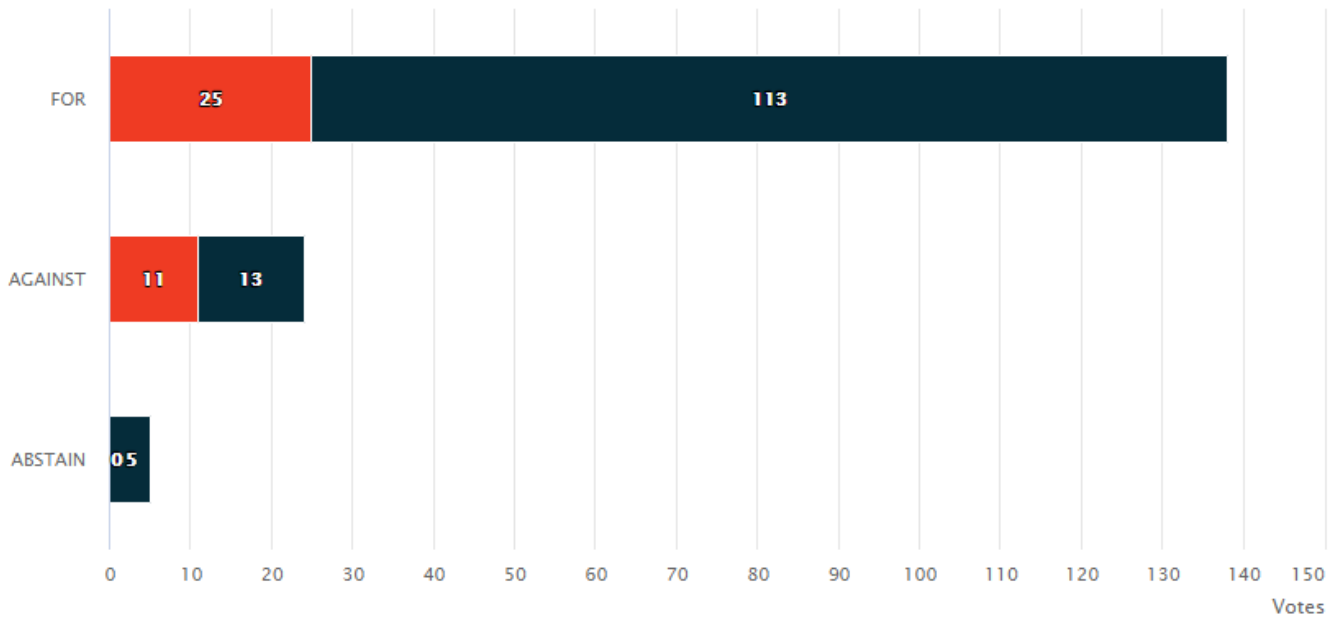


FOR	161	96.99%	Result: 100.00%
AGAINST	0	0.00%	
ABSTAIN	5	3.01%	
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### 9. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution;

- i. a change to clause 5.2 of the Australian Carriage Driving Society Inc (ACDS) Rules by inserting after the word membership in the first line the words "or a renewal of a membership," and after the word application in the second line "or renewal" and after the word application in the fourth line "or renewal";
- ii. the introduction of a new clause 5.4 which shall read "Where the Local Club rejects an application for membership or a renewal of a membership, the Local Club shall not be required to provide reasons for the rejection.; and
- iii. the renumbering of the existing clause 5.4 as clause 5.5.

Reason for the proposed amendment Federal policy for over 20 years is that when a membership is renewed each year, the Local Club is required to approve or reject the renewal of membership. Recently it has been discovered that the Federal Rules may not reflect this requirement.



FOR	138	82.63%	Result: 85.19%
AGAINST	24	14.37%	
ABSTAIN	5	2.99%	

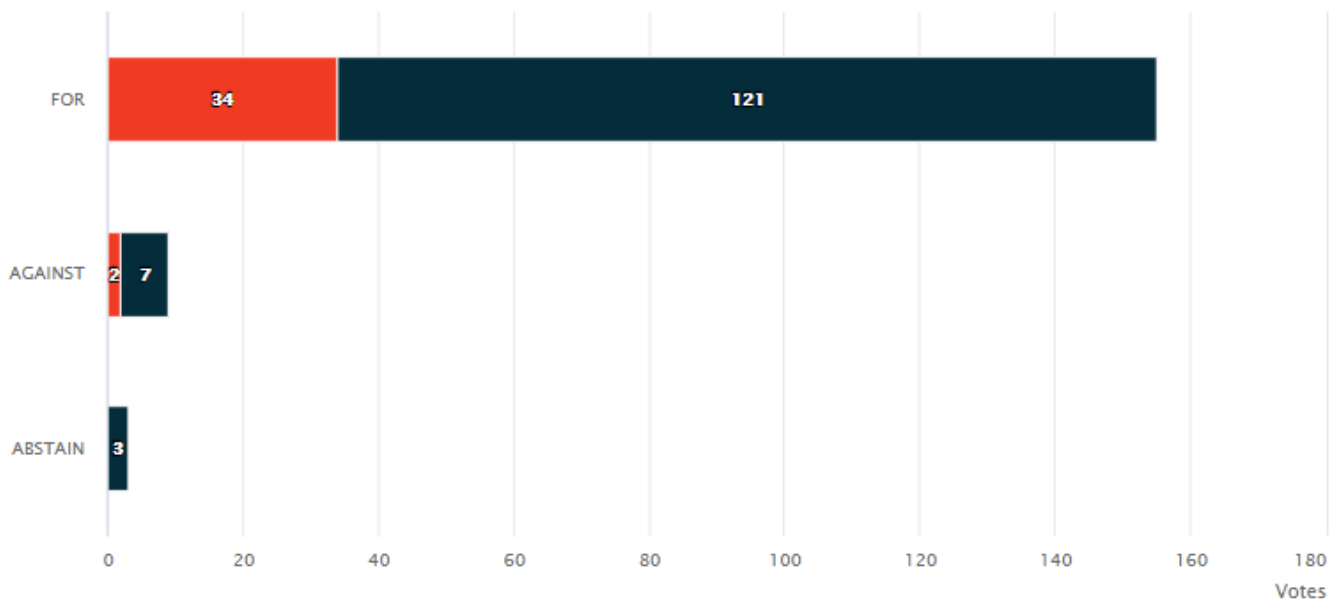
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## 10. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

- i. a change to clause 3 (d) of the Australian Carriage Driving Society Inc Rules to rename "Associate membership" as "Active Member (Non-Driving)";
- ii. to delete 3 (i) officials membership;
- iii. to insert "; or" at the end of clause 3.3 ii);
- iv. to insert 3.3 iii) which will read "a full-time student holding a student concession card who is no older than 25 years of age.;"
- v. to amend clause 3.5 to replace references to Associate member with Active Member (Non-Driving);
- vi. to amend clause 3.5 by deleting the word "but" after the word "journal", by deleting the word "not" after the word "will", by deleting the word "or" after the word rights; and by inserting the words "but will not" after the word "rights";
- vii. to delete clause 3.11; and
- viii. to renumber the existing rule 3.12 as 3.11.

Reason for the proposed amendment

Currently, the ACDS has two types of membership being an Associate membership and an Officials membership which primarily provide the same membership. It proposed to combine these two types of membership into one membership category named "Active Member (Non-Driving)" and allow this category to have voting rights. Many State Branches and Clubs struggle to get people to form part of the Executives or committees of State Branches or Clubs as the current rules require them to be either a single or family member (they don't have voting rights if they are not a single or family member). The changes, as suggested, allow a person who are interested in the Society, at Federal, State or Club level, to become an Active Member (Non-Driving), with the right to vote at their Club, State Branch or Federal level. This will assist Federal, State or Club to attract people who are willing and able to contribute to the ACDS.



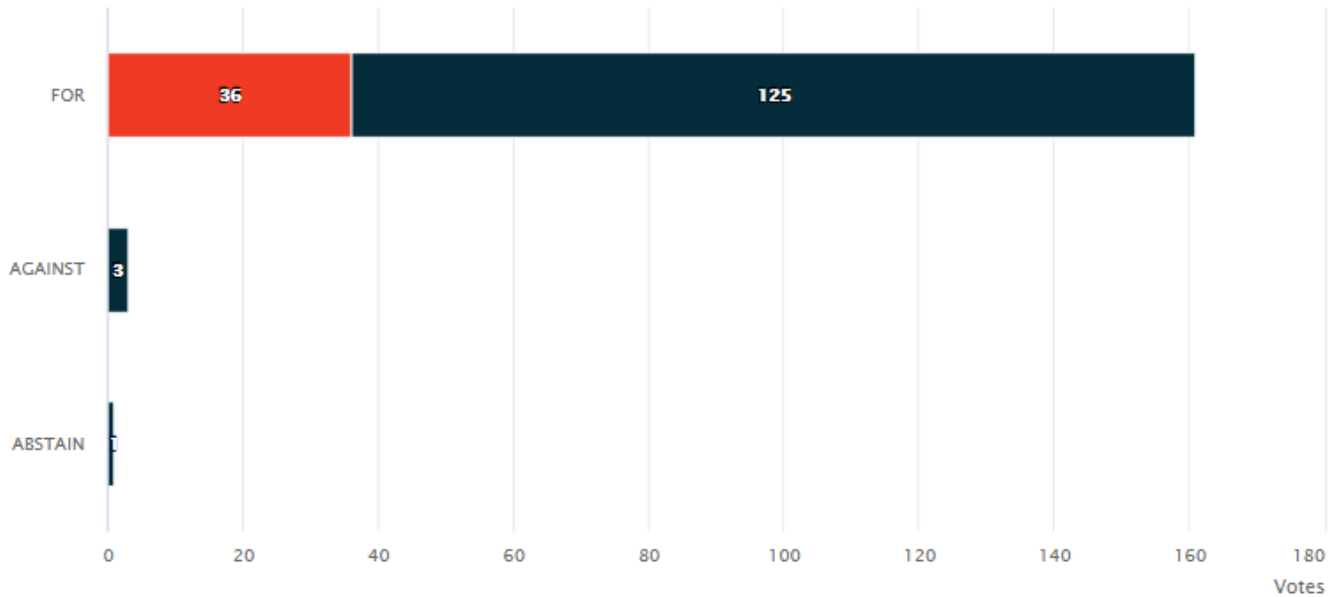
FOR	155	92.81%	Result: 94.51%
AGAINST	9	5.39%	
ABSTAIN	3	1.80%	
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## 11. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

To insert the words "and officiate" after the word "drive" in line 5 of rule 3.6.

Reason for the change

The existing clause in relation to life members indicates that a life member is not required to pay a subscription, will have voting rights and may drive but does not state that the life member can officiate at an activity. This amendment makes it clear that the life member can officiate at an activity.



FOR	161	97.58%	Result: 98.17%
AGAINST	3	1.82%	
ABSTAIN	1	0.61%	
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## 12. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

i. To insert a new clause 12.2 as follows:

Council may provisionally suspend the Member immediately from such rights and privileges of membership of the ACDS as the Council may determine for a specified period.

a) The provisional suspension must be a resolution and confirmed by two-thirds majority present and voting.

b) The Secretary shall, as soon as practicable, cause a notice in writing to be served on the Member, setting out the resolution of the Council and the grounds on which it is based; and

c) Any time served under a provisional suspension is to be taken from any suspension given under clause 12.1 (n) and (o).

ii. to renumber the existing rule 12.2 as 12.3;

iii. to change the existing reference from 12.3 to 12.4 in the exiting rule 12.2;

iv. to renumber the existing rule 12.3 as 12.4;

v. to change 4 days to 14 days in the existing rule 12.3 b);

vi. to renumber the existing rule 12.4 as 12.5;

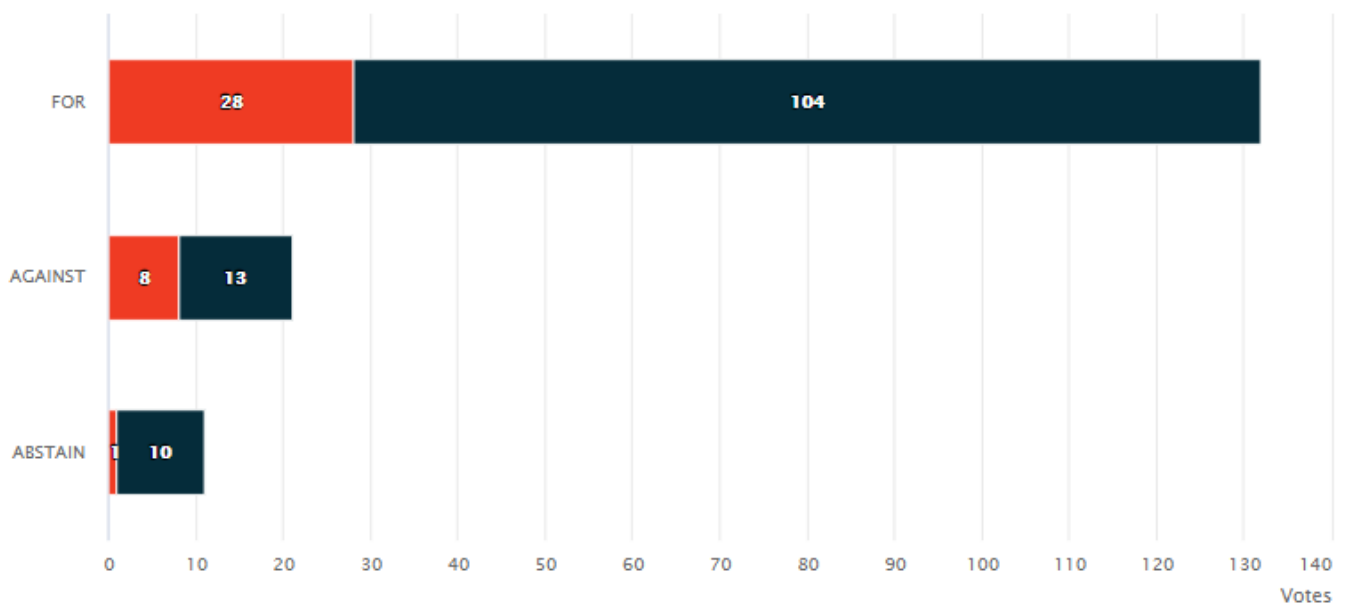
vii. to change the existing reference from 12.2 to 12.4 in the exiting rule 12.4;

viii. to renumber the existing rule 12.5 as 12.6;

ix. to change the existing reference from 12.4 to 12.5 in the exiting rule 12.5;

x. to renumber the existing rule 12.6 as 12.7; and

xi. to change the existing reference from 12.4 to 12.5 in the exiting rule 12.6.



FOR	132	80.49%	Result: 86.27%
AGAINST	21	12.80%	
ABSTAIN	11	6.71%	
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### 13. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

i. to insert a new clause 26.2 as follows:

"Council may convene the Annual General Meeting either entirely as an in-person meeting or by the use of Technology or as a hybrid in-person and telecommunications meeting".

ii. To insert a new rule 26.3 as follows:

"An Annual General Meeting may be held at 2 or more venues using any technology approved by Council that gives each of the ACDS' members a reasonable opportunity to participate".

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iii. To insert a new rule 26.4 as follows:

"A member of the ACDS' who participates in an Annual General Meeting using that technology is taken to be present at the meeting and, if the member votes at the meeting, is taken to have voted in person".

iv. to renumber the existing rules 26.2, 26.3 and 26.4 to 26.5, 26.6 and 26.7;

v. to insert a new clause 27.2 as follows:

"Council may convene the General Meeting either entirely as an in-person meeting or by the use of Technology or as a hybrid in-person and telecommunications meeting".

vi. To insert a new rule 27.3 as follows:

"A general meeting may be held at 2 or more venues using any technology approved by Council that gives each of the ACDS' members a reasonable opportunity to participate".

vii. To insert a new rule 27.4 as follows:

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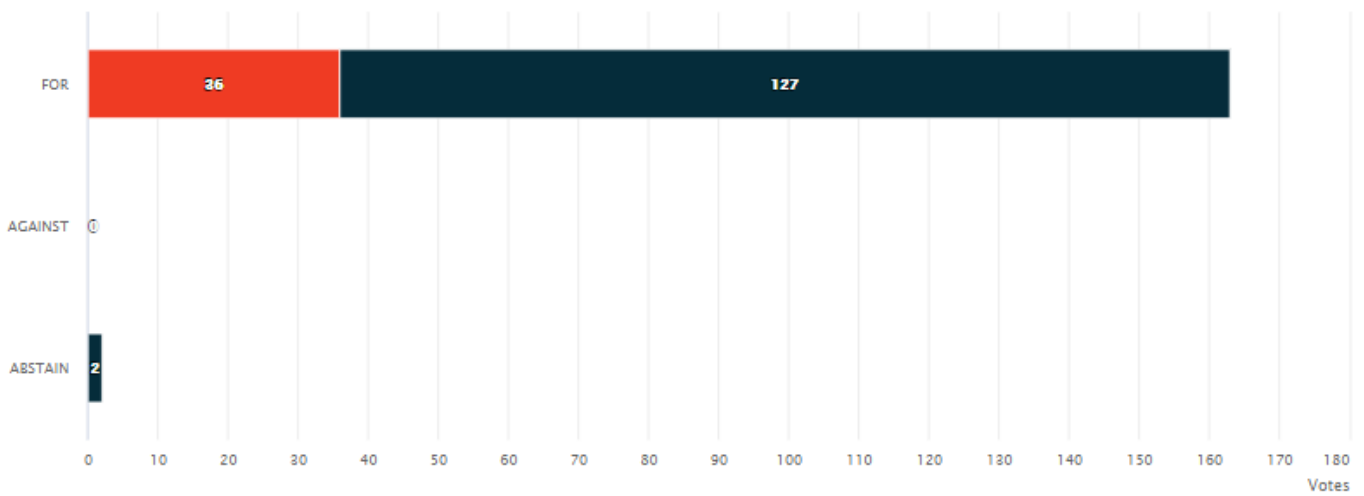
viii. to renumber the existing rules 27.2, 27.3, 27.4 and 27.5 to 27.5, 27.6, 27.7 and 27.8.

ix. to amend renumbered rule 27.6 by deleting the word "and" from the end of rule 27.6 c); inserting

a new rule 27.6 e) which will state "may be in electronic form, and" and inserting a new Rule 27.6 f) which will state "a signature may be transmitted, and a requisition may be lodged, by electronic mean

#### Reason for the proposed amendments

The above change allows either annual general meetings or general meetings to be held using technology, which is not currently allowed under the existing rules and also allows for members to requisition members meeting using electronic documents.



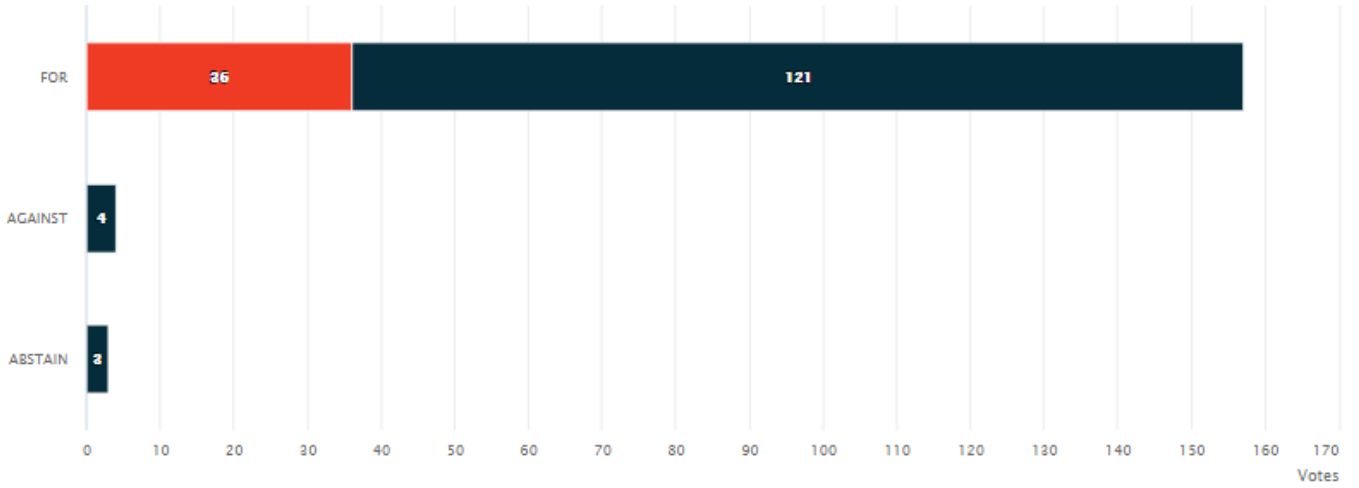
FOR	163	98.79%	Result: 100.00%
AGAINST	0	0.00%	
ABSTAIN	2	1.21%	
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**14. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution**

- i. To insert after the word Members in rule 28.1 the words "or by email, or by posting on the ACDS website, or by advertisement in a national newspaper"; and
- ii. To delete the word "sent" after the word notice in rule 28.2 and replace it with the word "provided".

**Reason for the proposed amendment**

The above change allows Council to provide notice of either annual general meetings or general meetings by email, on the ACDS website or by advertisement in a national newspaper. Council does not have this flexibility at the current time and the cost of printing and mailing a notice of meeting is becoming more costly.



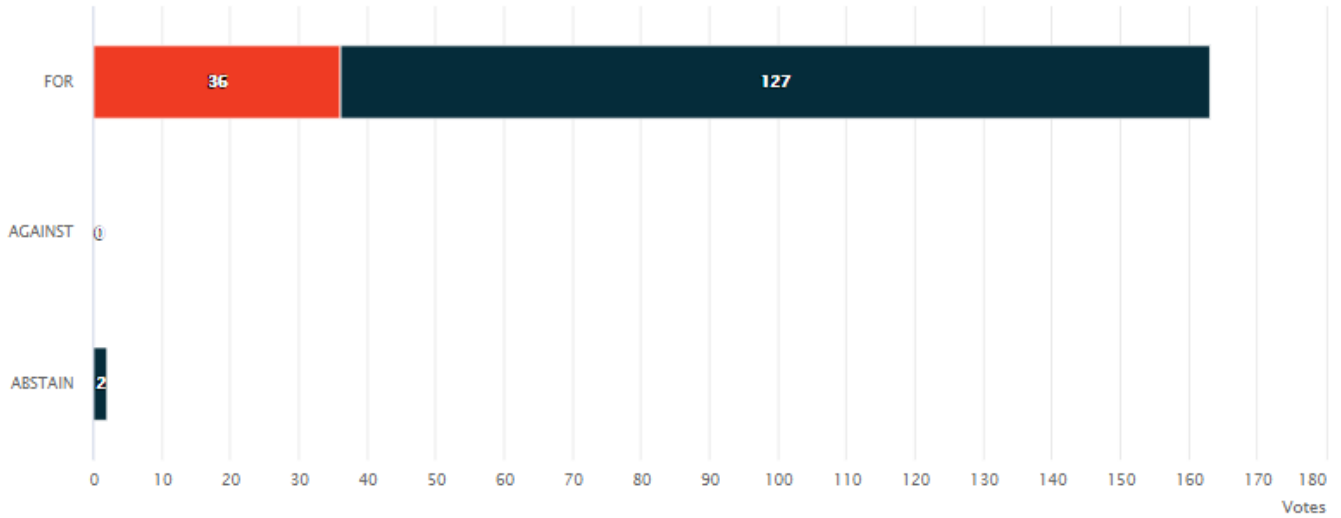
FOR	157	95.73%	Result: 97.52%
AGAINST	4	2.44%	
ABSTAIN	3	1.83%	
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### 15. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

To insert the words "or by electronic vote" in two (2) places in rule 32.1 after the word "hands".

Reason for the proposed amendment

The above change allows electronic voting by members in the case of a telecommunications meeting.



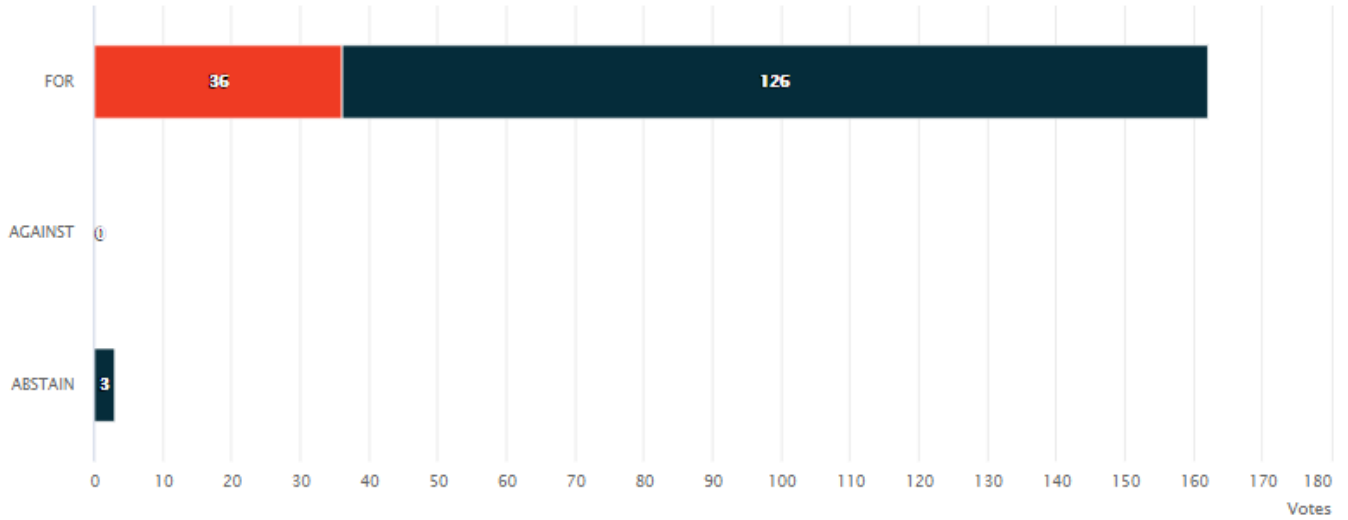
FOR	163	98.79%	Result: 100.00%
AGAINST	0	0.00%	
ABSTAIN	2	1.21%	
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## 16. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

To insert the word "present" after the word "Members" in rule 33.

### Reason for the proposed amendment

The above change makes it clear that a special resolution requires three quarters of the members present at a meeting who are entitled to vote in person, by postal vote or by proxy, to vote in favour. This amendment brings the Rules into line with the requirements of the ACT Incorporations Act.



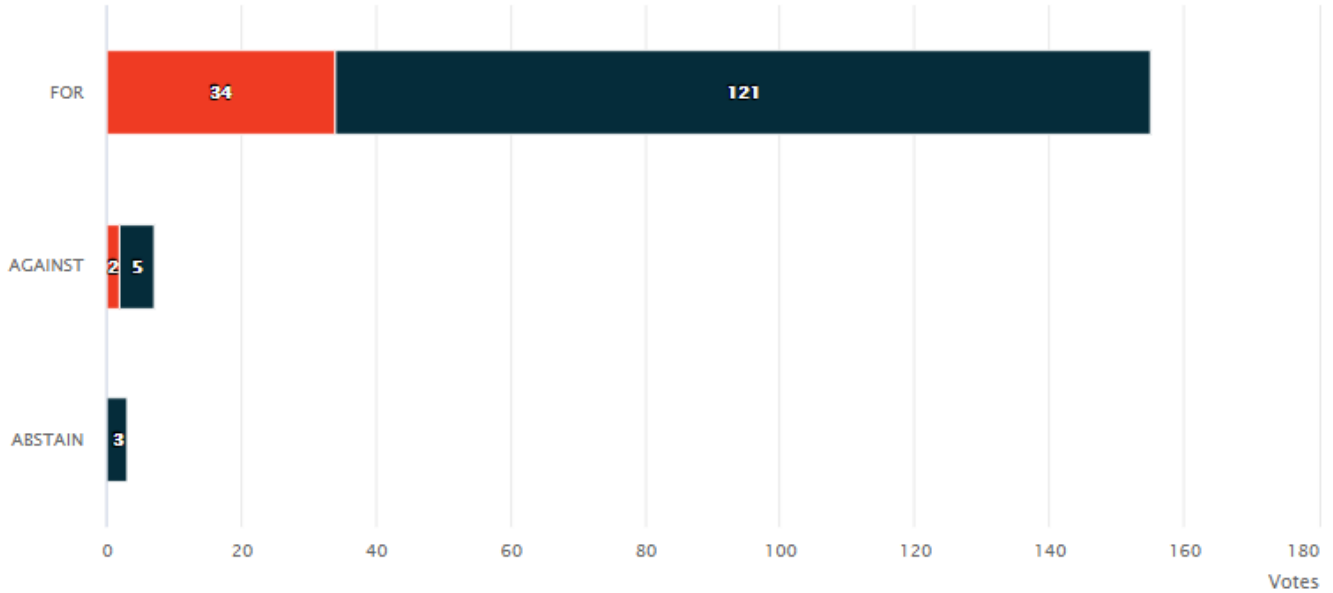
FOR	162	98.18%	Result: 100.00%
AGAINST	0	0.00%	
ABSTAIN	3	1.82%	
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## 17. To consider and if thought fit, approve as a special resolution

To delete the words "if the annual subscription in respect of their membership is not paid to their Local Club by" and insert the word "on" in Rule 8.2; and to insert a new rule 10.1 b) which will state " Subject to Rule 3.11 and notwithstanding any other Rules, where a person renews their membership prior to 31 August in each year, the renewal of the membership will be deemed to have occurred on 1 September of the year".

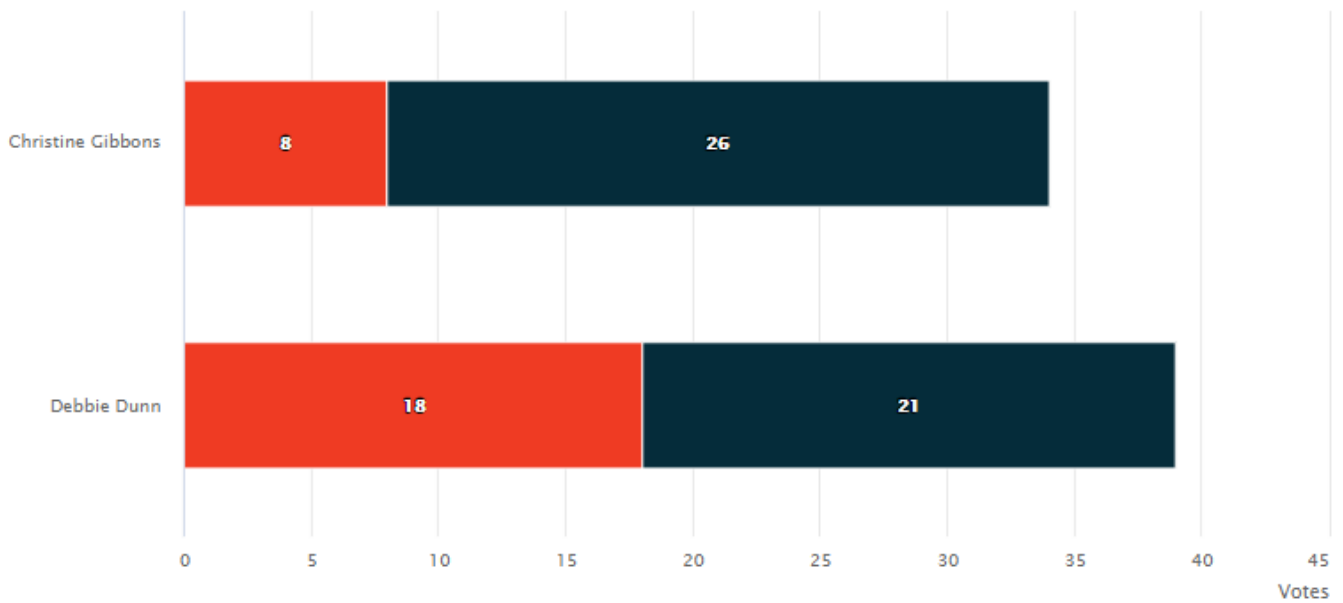
### Reason for the proposed amendment

The above change makes it clear that memberships expire on 31 August each year even if a person pays for and completes the renewal membership form prior to 31 August in which case the renewal of membership is effective on 1 September each year.



FOR	155	93.94%	Result: 95.68%
AGAINST	7	4.24%	
ABSTAIN	3	1.82%	
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To elect a Federal Treasurer (ONE to be elected)



Christine Gibbons	34	46.58%
Debbie Dunn	39	53.42%
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## Vero Voting Independence Declaration

The ACDS 2021 Annual General Meeting has been managed and declared independent of Australian carriage Driving Society Inc.

The vote result has been audited and the declared result is assured.

Regards,



Greg Mitchel  
 Director, Vero Engagement and  
 Voting Solutions Pty Ltd