

## Membership Application 2011-12

NOTE: New Applications may take 4-6 weeks for approval.

Please return this form and any further information such as images and rules via email to ensure a faster assessment.

**Name of Applicant (Group Name in full):** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated email addresses for the ALHF member group representatives email list (max 3);

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Email 3: \_\_\_\_\_

### Insurance Requirements:

Public Liability Insurance and Members Accident Insurance: Yes  No

If no, you must provide a copy of the certificate of currency for your group's alternative Public Liability insurance coverage.

Directors & Officers Liability Insurance: Yes  No

If Yes, please provide an estimate for the groups' 2011-12 income (membership, shows etc) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*NB: This is a separate, **optional** policy for member group office bearers which has an additional fee of \$100. Please contact the Treasurer for further details.*

### Members list

Please attach a list of all members, identifying which members are Primary Members of ALHF (paying their annual insurance fee via your member group) and which other members are paying their ALHF insurance via another nominated ALHF group.

This must be in an Excel or similar tabular format with: *first and last names of members in separate columns*. A downloadable template is available from the ALHF members email list files.

Please identify any children 13 and under years of age (these are not charged a fee)

Member List attached? Yes  No

The following is an example;

#### The Living History Group

First Name	Last Name	13 & under	Primary Group	Other Group 1
Anne	Boleyn		The Living History Group	62nd New York Anderson Zouaves
Mark	Anthony		The Living History Group	
Harald	Hardrada	yes	The Living History Group	
George	Hardrada		The Living History Group	NVG
Mildred	Hardrada		The Living History Group	
Chris	Colombus		62nd New York Anderson Zouaves	The Living History Group
Efram	Zimbalist		62nd New York Anderson Zouaves	The Living History Group

The Living History Group has five primary members, who are paying their insurance through this group, and two other members who have paid their ALHF insurance fee via another group. One primary member is 13 or under, making 4 primary members fees to be paid.

### Information, Safety & Member's Rules

New members must provide a copy of any safety guidelines or procedures that apply to their group's activities. Also, provide any constitution or group rules and any other information that will help the committee assess your application such as images, a website link, a statement of aims and activities, etc., particularly in relation to your member group's commitment to safety and historical accuracy and authenticity in presentation.

The ALHF Safety and Authenticity Guidelines and Principles are available at: [www.alhf.org.au](http://www.alhf.org.au) or [alhf@alhf.org.au](mailto:alhf@alhf.org.au)

Does the applicant agree to uphold the ALHF *Safety Principles* and are you aware of the ALHF Safety Guidelines?

Yes  No

If the group has safety rules, is a copy attached?

Yes  No  or N/A

Have you provided further information to assist your application such as a website link, images, mission statements, etc?

Yes  No

### References

Please provide group name, contact and contact details for any current ALHF member group that may act as a referee on behalf of your application: \_\_\_\_\_

Or, any other references about the activities and good standing of your group; \_\_\_\_\_

### Activities

You MUST notify ALHF if you do any activities on a regular basis that are not covered in the description given (see Activities Covered 2011).

Activities outside the notified scope: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (please attach additional information if necessary)

Does your group engage in: combat/skirmish manoeuvres; use of firearms AND/OR use of horses?

Yes  No  If yes, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your group own any property or buildings? (there may be additional exclusions or conditions that apply)

Yes  No  If yes, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

### General Information & Member Responsibilities:

Group membership fees are \$25 per annum.

Insurance coverage is \$20 per individual *Primary Member* per annum, additional to the above group membership fee.

### Member Responsibilities:

All members agree to the following responsibilities;

- To pay membership dues on having their membership approved, and each year thereafter
- To have adequate rules and regulations covering health and safety, finance and administration
- To maintain proper membership records, and supply a membership list to the Australasian Living History Federation Incorporated (ALHF) annually or on request
- To be non sectarian and non-political
- To not bring the ALHF into disrepute
- To obey the laws of the land
- To deal with clients and the general public in an ethical and courteous manner
- To portray their chosen period/s as authentically as is reasonably possible
- To inform the ALHF as soon as practicable of changes in contact details, or any other circumstances that may affect the ALHF.
- To uphold the ALHF Safety and Authenticity Principles
- To inform the ALHF of any 'prohibited persons' among their membership and to conform to any relevant legislation regarding prohibited persons. (NB: *Prohibited persons are not automatically barred from membership but if admitted must not engage in any legally prohibited activities.*)

- To notify the ALHF committee of any activities, events and meetings which may fall outside the terms of the insurance policy, for example, large events, or if your group conducts any activities on a regular basis that are not covered in the description given below or any event that is outside your normal activities (*Please note that additional premiums may apply in some circumstances and that the ALHF committee is not able to advise on this without contacting the insurer through our broker*)

## Activities Insured 2011-12:

### The following activities will be notified to the underwriter as standard:

All member groups may hold ordinary meetings, publish journals, newsletters, promotional or instructional material, and do other activities such as training and practice (that may or may not be in historical costume) that contribute to their main activities/aims (which will generally be conducted in historical costume), which include:

**Activities:** Arts and crafts (for example; metal work, leatherwork, pottery, wood-working, black-smithing, weaving, scrimshaw, etc), armouring and blacksmithing, displays and practices of military drills and mock battle re-enactments (ie; combats or 'skirmishes' using historical reproduction arms and armour such as sword fighting, blank-firing firearms and pyrotechnics), static displays of historical items and artefacts, dancing, costuming, food and cookery, brewing, language & literature, games and pastimes, calligraphy and illumination, archery and historical target practices and displays, reconstruction and experimental archaeology (including temporary use of for example farms and agriculture, dwellings, fortifications, military siege equipment, transportation etc.), canoeing and other historical watercraft activities, riding and the use of horses including displays of skill at arms such as jousting (where riders use long lances with balsa wood tips that shatter on impact) and the care of animals, the display and use of historical vehicles both horse driven and motorised such as wagons, carts, cars, trucks, military jeeps, tanks, armoured vehicles, etc., all complying with any relevant legislations such as registration; as part of,

- **Events:** historical or 'period' dinners or feasts, meetings, working bees, training sessions/drills and practices, public demonstrations at commemorative events and festivals, educational presentations for schools/groups/historic sites/museums, lectures and talks, outdoor encampments, events run by other groups (for example the biennial national Historical Conventions and the Armidale Dark Ages Gathering), documentary and historical filming activities, and other similar occasions;  
which take place at a variety of locations including;
- **Locations:** private property, public land (such as reserves, parks, state forests, national parks), schools, museums and historic sites, hired venues (such as community halls), watercraft (for example; canoes, tall ships, etc., with possible boat transport to and from) and other locations.

Member groups and individuals also participate in activities that may not be historical in nature (such as a social event for members) or is outside the scope of their own historical period, Example: a 17th century group may hold a croquet game and dinner in 19th century style, or an individual of a medieval group may participate in a colonial display.

**All the above activities are conducted within members and ALHF general safety principles, rules and guidelines. Members also conduct 'controlled activities' that have specific rules and procedures:**

### Controlled activities:

These are some of the activities outlined above that involve simulated or mock combat where all member groups have developed specific safety rules and procedures. Because each period or location is slightly different, the rules of each group may vary.

#### **A) Historical Reenactment of Combat with blunted weapons such as swords, spears and similar historical weapons (no firearms)**

All member groups are required to have and uphold safety and training rules. Where member groups do not have their own or sufficient safety rules, the ALHF has developed safety principles and guidelines to assist and guide member groups in historical weapons combat and general safety.

All historical weapons are blunted and all blows to participants are 'pulled' and not struck with full force. Minimum standards of protection apply and target area rules prohibit hits or blows to vulnerable body areas.

#### **B) Historical Reenactment of Combat via firearms and other explosive weapons or devices, including the display of firing and 'skirmishing' or historical combat, via the firing of 'blanks' or discharges that do not include projectiles of any kind.**

All groups using firearms and other explosive devices or pyrotechnics for historical military drill displays as well as historical re-enactments of combats and skirmishing, undertake these activities (which may also include blunted weapons combat as above) within strict safety parameters that have been developed by ALHF member groups and/or the ALHF Safety Committee.

These rules and activities are drawn up and conducted according to relevant legislation, including individual licenses and reenactment permits, set by different States and Territories about the use of firearms in historical re-enactments.

Member groups run safety and training courses in the use and historical drill and safety of firearms and no one is allowed to enter an activity without passing relevant member group training and safety courses.

Firearms and other explosive devices include historical muskets or 'black powder' muzzle loading firearms, as well as cannons and mortars, and other historical military firearms.

No projectiles of any kind are fired and no weapons or devices are discharged directly at any person at any time.

**C) Target and other Shooting of Projectiles**

Some historical re-enactments involve displays or competitions conducted in historical fashion where the firing of live ammunition or other projectiles (such as archery) at targets is conducted. This occurs under strict safety conditions and under all relevant legislation at nominated rifle ranges, dedicated safety zones, or similar.

Some live firing is in the form of hunting of vermin/feral animals, usually on private properties, as part of a member group's historical reenactment activities, with historical weapons. These activities are conducted under strict safety conditions and the normal compliance with any relevant government legislation and regulations regarding firearms and hunting.

**Declaration**

I hereby apply on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, a not-for-profit organisation, for acceptance of membership of the Australasian Living History Federation Incorporated. I certify that I have been authorised by the said organisation to lodge this application and that .in the event of acceptance of membership \_\_\_\_\_(Group name) agrees to pay the required fees and be bound by the Rules and the Code of Conduct of the association for the time being in force and that the group are aware of and agree to their responsibilities listed above as part of ALHF membership

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Signature of applicant      Date                      Name & Position held (if any)

*(NB: Type your name and details as acceptance and return this form via email to [alhf@alhf.org.au](mailto:alhf@alhf.org.au) This will facilitate the processing of new applications. If printed document, please write your name as well)*

**FEES: Group Memberships (only payable upon successful acceptance of application)**

Membership Groups Fee (2011-12)	\$25.00
Total number of Members, minus members paying through another ALHF group = <b>Primary Members</b>	
Primary members x ALHF insurance/admin levy for current year <b>(\$20)</b>	\$
Non-ALHF insurance participating members, if any (\$5x number)	\$
Total Annual membership + Non-insurance total + Primary members fee =	\$
<i>Optional</i> - Directors & Officers Liability Insurance if required \$100.00	\$
<b>Total Payable (Ann membership + Non-insured + Primary members fee + optional Officers Ins )</b>	<b>\$</b>

Fees are payable by direct deposit:

Australasian Living History Federation  
St George Bank BSB: 112879 A/c: 474137199

or by cheque/money order sent to the Secretary or Treasurer at PO Box 61 Pyrmont NSW 2009

**PLEASE ENSURE** that any e-transactions are identifiable by group name.

Please send a confirmation of payment email to; [renewals@alhf.org.au](mailto:renewals@alhf.org.au)

No receipts will be issued for electronic payments – keep electronic confirmation as proof of payment.