

UDDINGSTON CRICKET AND SPORTS CLUB
CONSTITUTION AND BYE-LAWS
(AS APPROVED 10 MARCH 2011)

1. NAME

The name of the club shall be "Uddingston Cricket and Sports Club"

2. OBJECTS

The objects of the Club are

- a) To encourage and provide facilities for physical recreation and other leisure time recreation and in particular, but not exclusively, for the games of Cricket, Hockey, and Rugby;
- b) To encourage social leisure activities within the Club premises and in particular to foster inter-Section fraternisation and co-operation in such social activities; and
- c) To advocate and develop the integration of disabled persons into the use of the Club for appropriate sporting activities.

3. MEMBERS

The Club shall consist of Playing, Ordinary, Associate (including temporary Associate), Junior, Country, Life and Corporate Members.

- a) Ordinary, Associate, Corporate and Country Members will not be permitted or entitled to participate in any of the principal sporting activities of the Club except by specific dispensation of the Board of Management.
- b) Junior membership shall be confined to persons who wish to participate in one or more than one of the sporting activities of the Club and who have not attained the age of eighteen years on the first day of October in the relevant financial year.
- c) Country membership shall be confirmed to persons who, in the opinion of the Board of Management, do not regularly utilise the facilities of the Club and who live outwith the catchment area of the Club, the boundaries of which shall be determined by the Board of Management.
- d) The Board of Management shall have the power to propose any member for Life Membership in recognition of outstanding services to the Club, and in the event of such proposal being approved by a majority in General Meeting, any such Life Member shall be relieved of payment of all future subscriptions.
- e) The Board of Management shall have the power to create categories of temporary Associate memberships which shall ensure for such periods (being not later than the next following 30th September) and be subject to such conditions as the Board may determine.
- f) Corporate Membership, enjoying such privileges and subject to such restrictions as may be determined by the Board of Management, may be granted to organisations deemed suitable applicants by the Board of Management.

- g) Membership of at least one of the Cricket, Hockey, or Rugby Sections of the Club, or any other sporting section constituted within the Club, shall be obligatory for all Playing, Ordinary, Life and Junior members. No Section shall be entitled to have a member who is not a Playing, Ordinary, Life or Junior member of the Club.
- h) Associate, Country and Corporate members shall not be entitled to membership of any Section, but may be designated as a supporter of one or more Sections.

4. VOTING

Voting rights shall be restricted to Playing, Ordinary and Life members only. No other members shall have a vote in the management of the Club, its Sections, nor any committee thereof. No voting member whose subscription is unpaid in full at the commencement of a General Meeting of the Club or a Section shall be entitled to vote at such General Meeting.

5. FEES & SUBSCRIPTIONS

Entry Fees, Annual Subscriptions, temporary Associate membership fees, and all other charges shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Management.

- a) Subscriptions for Playing, Ordinary and Junior members who are members of the Cricket Section only are due on, and should be paid by the 30th April for the year commencing on the preceding 1st April. Subscriptions due by all other members of the Club are due on, and should be paid by the 31st October for the year commencing on the preceding 1st October.
- b) The Board of Management shall have discretion, in exceptional circumstances, to restrict or defer payment of fees or subscriptions to be paid by Playing Members in response to a request by the President, Vice-President or Secretary of the Section of which the Playing Member is or wishes to become a member.
- c) Any member whose subscription is unpaid by the appropriate due date shall cease to be a member. A lapsed member shall not be entitled to enjoy any of the privileges of the Club pending readmission as a member in accordance with Clause 7 and payment in full of subscription and, if so required by the Board of Management, arrears of subscriptions in respect of previous periods of membership.
- d) The Board of Management shall be entitled to establish such schemes as it determines for collection of subscriptions by instalments. Any member whose subscription is part-paid at the appropriate due date shall have his/her membership suspended until a date not later than one month after the appropriate due date, and failing payment in full by that date, shall cease to be a member and shall be dealt with as a lapsed member under paragraph 5(c).
- e) Applicants offered membership during the first three months of the appropriate year shall pay the full annual subscription. Applicants offered membership thereafter shall pay such proportion of the annual subscription as is determined by the Board of Management. An offer of membership shall be deemed withdrawn in the event of failure to fully pay the required subscription not later than one calendar month from the date of such offer.
- f) A Section which permits a non-member to regularly enjoy the privileges and facilities of the Club without approval of the Board of Management shall be liable to the Club for the appropriate subscription due by that person.

6. RESIGNATION

Any member may resign by giving notice to the Club Secretary, the Membership Secretary, or the Secretary of his Section prior to the due date for subscription. Failing timely notice of resignation, subscription for that year shall be deemed due notwithstanding cessation of membership by non-payment.

7. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to all and no application for membership will be refused on other than reasonable grounds. There will be no discrimination on grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership. Pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation, political or other opinion.

8. THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Persons consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Club and six Ordinary Board Members, comprising two members from the Playing or Ordinary memberships of each of the Cricket, Hockey, and Rugby Sections. Whether by election or co-option, not more than three Playing or Ordinary members of any one Section shall be entitled to be Ordinary Board Members.

- a) The President shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for a term of two years, and shall thereafter be eligible for re-election for not more than two immediately succeeding terms of one year each. A Past-President shall be eligible for re-election after an interval of not less than one year from demitting office.
- b) The Vice-President, Secretary and the Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for one year, and shall be eligible for re-election.
- c) The six Ordinary Board Members shall be elected for terms of one year, and shall be eligible for re-election.
- d) In the event of the Annual General Meeting failing to fill the position of any office bearer or Ordinary Board Member, or if a vacancy shall arise during the course of a year, the Board of Management shall be entitled to appoint a Playing or Ordinary member to the vacant position; any person so appointed shall hold office until the next succeeding Annual General Meeting when he shall retire but be eligible for election.
- e) The President (and in his absence, the Vice-President) shall normally preside at all General Meetings of the Club and of the Board of Management and shall have a deliberative and a casting vote.
- f) The President shall be entitled to attend and address meetings of all committees and sub-committees of the Club and Sections.
- g) The Board of Management shall meet at monthly intervals or as required. Four members shall be required to form a quorum.

- h) Any Ordinary Board Member who is persistently absent from meetings of the Board of Management without justification (in the reasonable opinion of the Board of Management) may be removed from the Board of Management by resolution of the Board of Management, after vote by ballot by a majority of those attending and voting. For this purpose “persistent absence” shall mean missing three consecutive meetings of the Board of Management, or any four out of six consecutive meetings.
- i) The Board of Management may appoint such sub-committees as are required for the general administration of the Club and shall determine their powers and will appoint their members. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of all sub-committees.
- j) The Board of Management may appoint a Ground Convenor, a Bar Convenor, and a Membership Secretary from within or outwith their number. Any such office bearer who is not a member of the Board of Management shall attend meetings and be entitled to participate in the same but shall not be entitled to vote at such meetings.
- k) For the purpose of investigating and determining any complaint which may lead to disciplinary action against any member, the Board of Management shall appoint an ad hoc Discipline Committee, which may, but shall not necessarily, include members of the Board of Management. The Discipline Committee shall be empowered to impose such penalty, including suspension of or expulsion from membership of the Club, as it considers appropriate. The Board shall also appoint an ad hoc Appeals Committee to consider an appeal by a member against a finding or penalty pursuant to disciplinary process.

9. FINANCIAL

The Board of Management shall have the power to borrow money on behalf of the Club to a limit of One Hundred Thousand Pounds (£100,000) Sterling of which no more than Twenty Five Thousand pounds (£25,000) Sterling shall be for Revenue purposes. Bridging finance for capital projects may be borrowed in excess of the above figure.

10. CLUB & MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES

- a) The Club Secretary will attend all general meetings and meetings of the Board of Management and keep a record thereof, and shall conduct the correspondence of the Club unless specific duties of correspondence are delegated to another member of the Board of Management.
- b) The Club Secretary, or the Membership Secretary if appointed by the Board of Management, will maintain the list of members and have ultimate responsibility for the collecting of subscriptions and fees for onward transmission to the Club Treasurer. The Secretaries and Treasurers of the Sections shall be obliged to provide such assistance, information and documentation as may be required by the Club or Membership Secretary for the proper implementation of this role.

11. TREASURER

- a) The Treasurer shall keep accounts and books showing the financial affairs and intromissions of the Club, and submit regular financial statements to the Board of Management.

- b) The Treasurer shall produce annual accounts as at 30th September in each year. A copy of the Annual Accounts, as audited by two persons appointed for the purpose, shall be sent to every member with the notice of the Annual General Meeting, and the said accounts shall be presented for approval at the Annual General Meeting.

12. GENERAL MEETINGS & ELECTIONS OF OFFICE BEARERS

The Annual General Meeting shall be held each year as far as is practicable on the third Thursday of February but in any case not later than Fifteenth March, at which meeting the accounts for the year shall be submitted; the elections for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and the vacancies on the Board of Management shall be held as required; and any other business transacted that may be brought before the meeting.

- a) Notices of General Meetings shall be posted or delivered to members not later than 14 days prior to the date of the meeting.
- b) Nominations for the offices as required of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be lodged with the Secretary not later than twenty eight days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- c) Proxy votes, on forms for the purpose obtainable from the secretary, and returned to him/her, not later than seven days before the Annual General Meeting or three days before an Extraordinary General Meeting, shall be competent.
- d) The Secretary shall be bound to call an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club on the direction of the Board of Management, or on the requisition in writing of at least twenty voting members, each of whom shall have fully paid subscriptions, stating the nature of the business to be discussed, together with a deposit of Two hundred pounds (£200) Sterling, said deposit shall be returned or forfeited as the Extraordinary General Meeting may determine. Such Extraordinary General Meetings shall be held not later than two months from the receipt of the requisition.

13. SALES OF ALCOHOL

- a) Except with the unanimous approval of all members of a full Board of Management no member of the Board of Management and no Manager, Conveyer or Servant employee appointed by the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of alcohol liquor therein or in the profits arising from such sale.
- b) No alcohol liquor shall be sold or supplied to any person under eighteen years of age.
- c) No alcoholic liquor shall be sold or supplied in the Club premises for consumption off the premises except to a member of the Club in person for consumption by him, or to a person holding a licence or a wholesaler's licence for the sale of such liquor.
- d) The permitted hours for sale or supply of alcoholic liquor shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Management provided always such hours shall be within the terms permitted by the then prevailing licensing hours.

- e) Any member having attained eighteen years of age may introduce up to three visitors to the Club premises at any one time, except where the Board of Management imposes a specific limitation.

14. VISITORS

- a) No individual may be introduced as a visitor on more than three occasions in one financial year without the prior specific permission of the Board of Management. The introducing member shall be responsible for the conduct of his/her visitors and shall ensure that the Constitution, Bye-Laws and Rules of the Club are upheld.
- b) A visitor shall not be supplied with alcoholic liquor in the Club premises unless upon the invitation (and in the company) of a member. The member shall immediately upon the admission of a visitor to the Club premises enter his own name and the name and address of the visitor in a book which shall be kept for the purpose, and shall show the date of each visit.

15. OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY

So long as a Cricket Section of the Club exists, that Section shall have the sole right to the tenancy or ownership of the ground and any Club property. In the event of any disruption caused by another Section leaving the Club, the departing Section shall have no rights over, in or to that part of the ground allocated to them for play or any other Club property.

16. SECTION RULES

The Rules of and for the administration of each Section shall be drawn up by the Section Committee but shall require the approval of the Board of Management.

17. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION

No alteration to this constitution shall be made except at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, or at an Extraordinary General Meeting called for the purpose under Rule 12(d), and shall only be carried if at least two thirds of the votes cast are in favour of the alteration(s).

- a) Unless proposed by or on behalf of the Board of Management, any proposed resolution to alter the constitution which it is intended be considered at the Annual General Meeting must be delivered to the Secretary, duly proposed and seconded by two voting members, not later than Thirty First December preceding the Annual General Meeting.
- b) A copy of a proposed Resolution to alter the constitution shall be displayed upon the walls of the Club premises for at least fourteen days before a meeting at which it is to be considered, and every member shall be given written notice of its display with the Notice of the meeting.
- c) It shall be competent for the meeting to amend the proposed Resolution or pass an alternative amended Resolution, provided the alternative or amended Resolution shall not affect any clause or clauses of the constitution other than that or those to which the original Resolution was directed.

18. PROTECTION OF CLAUSE 15

Notwithstanding Rule 17 it is expressly declared and provided that Rule 15 shall not be altered or amended in any way unless such alteration or amendment is carried by a two thirds majority of the Cricket Section.

19. PROPERTY, WINDING-UP, etc

- a) The property, effects and funds of the Club, whatsoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Club and no portion thereafter shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise whatsoever by way of profit to the members of the Club.
- b) If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club there remain, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall be transferred or given to some other organisation or organisations having objects similar to the objects of the Club, such organisation or organisations to be determined by the members of the Club passed by Resolution at a General Meeting at or before the time of dissolution; and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provision then to some charitable object.

BYE-LAWS

- 1) Members are held financially liable for damaging or destroying the property of the Club.
- 2) Members changing their address must notify the Club Secretary or the Membership Secretary.
- 3) No property of the Club shall be lent or used outside the Club property; including the playing fields, unless by prior permission of the Board of Management.
- 4) Dogs admitted to the field shall be held on a leash and kept off playing surfaces.