



"Cricket for all- Our community deserves it, Our job is to make it happen"

Barnsley Cricket Club

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President - Alan Sherriff

Chairman – Ken Green

Vice Chairman - Trelford Mills

Constitution and Rules

**Revised at the AGM 19th October 2003 – Ratified by Committee 13 January 2004
including Child Protection Policy 17 June 2004**

Constitution of Barnsley Cricket Club

1 Name

1.1 The club will be called Barnsley Cricket Club and will be affiliated to the ECB.

2 Aims and objectives

2.1 The aims and objectives of the club will be:

- To offer coaching and competitive opportunities in cricket
- To promote the club within the local community and cricket
- To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club
- To provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone
- To ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment.

3 Membership

3.1 Membership should consist of officers and members of the club. All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of conduct that the club has adopted.

3.2 Members will be enrolled in one of the following categories:

- Playing member
- Social member
- Junior member
- Patron
- Family Member

3.3 Persons wishing to become Members of the Club shall be proposed, seconded, voted for and decided by a majority present at a Committee meeting.

3.4 All Members shall receive a copy of these Rules and shall be bound thereby.

4 Membership fees

4.1 Membership fees will be set annually and agreed by the Committee. The method and amount of payment shall be reviewed each year by the Committee at the meeting preceding the AGM.

4.2 The Club year shall be from 1st October to 30th September.

- 4.3 Annual subscriptions shall be payable on 1st October. Subscriptions of any person elected after this date shall be due for payment on the day of their acceptance and be again due for payment on the 1st October following
- 4.4 Any Member in arrears with his/her subscriptions on 31stDecember shall cease to be a member of the Club until such arrears are paid.
- 4.5 In cases of hardship the committee shall have the power to amend, delay or waive subscriptions.

5 Officers of the club

5.1 The officers of the club will be:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Honorary Secretary
- Honorary Treasurer
- Director of Cricket
- Vice Presidents

(The number of Vice Presidents shall be unlimited, but each name must be proposed and seconded by a member of the Committee or Officer of the Club).

5.2 Officers will be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

5.3 All officers will retire each year but will be eligible for re-election.

6 Committee

6.1 The Committee shall manage the affairs of the Club and have full power and uncontrolled authority over the use, disposition and investment of all funds.

6.2 The club will be managed through the Committee consisting of: All above officers in (5) of the club plus minimum of 6 elected or co-opted committee members. Only these posts will have the right to vote at meetings of the Committee.

6.3 The Committee will be convened by the Secretary of the club and held no less than 10 times per year.

6.4 The quorum required for business to be agreed at Committee meetings will be 5, which must include 2 officers.

6.5 All Committee Members shall have equal powers of voting. The Chairman shall have, in the case of an equality of votes, second or casting vote in addition to his first vote.

- 6.6 The Committee will be responsible for adopting new policy, codes of conduct and rules that affect the organisation of the club.
- 6.7 The Committee will have powers to appoint sub-committees as necessary and appoint advisers to the Committee as necessary to fulfil its business.
- 6.8 Any Member of the Committee absent from four consecutive Committee Meetings, without due apology, shall forfeit their seat, and the Committee shall have the power to elect another in their stead.
- 6.9 The Committee will be responsible for disciplinary hearings of members who infringe the club rules/regulations/ constitution. The Committee will be responsible for taking any action of suspension or discipline following such hearings.

7 Finance

- 7.1 The Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the club.
- 7.2 The financial year of the club will end on 30th September
- 7.3 All club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the club.
- 7.4 Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signatures of the Treasurer plus one other signatory who shall be appointed by a majority of committee members.
- 7.5 The Committee shall be empowered to borrow, for the purposes of the Club, such amount of money whether at one time or from time to time, and at such a rate of interest and in such form and manner, and upon such security as shall be specified in such resolution, and thereupon, the Committee make all such arrangements in relation thereto, as the Committee may deem proper for giving security for such loans and interest.

All Members of the Club, whether voting on such a resolution or not, and all persons becoming Members of the Club, after the passing of such resolution, shall be deemed to have approved such a resolution.
- 7.6 An audited statement of annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting.
- 7.7 The accounts shall be externally audited by Auditors, not necessarily Members of the Club, to be elected by the committee

8 Record Keeping

- 8.1 The Secretary shall, at all meetings in connection with the Club, attend to all correspondence, keep a register of names and addresses of all Members. They should keep a record of the Minutes of the transactions of the General and Committee Meetings, with attendance of Members.

All such books shall be open for inspection at any Committee Meeting.

9 Annual General Meeting

- 9.1 Notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be given by the Club Secretary. Not less than 21 clear days' notice to be given to all members. The meeting will normally be held in October. The quorum for AGMs will be 15 members or 25% of membership, whichever is the lesser.
- 9.2 The AGM will receive a report from officers of the Committee and a statement of the audited accounts.
- 9.3 All officers and members of the committee will become eligible for re- election at the AGM.
- 9.4 Election of officers is to take place at the AGM. Nominations for officers of the Committee must be sent to the Secretary prior to the AGM. Nominations from the floor are not acceptable.
- 9.5 Election of Committee Members will take place at the AGM. Candidates for election as Members of the Committee shall be members over the age of 18 years and be nominated and seconded in writing to the Secretary 7 days prior to the meeting. Only those persons so nominated shall be eligible for election.
- 9.6 All Members of the Club, over the age of 16 years, shall have equal powers of voting. Members under the age of 16 years, have no voting powers.
- 9.7 Notice of any amendment or proposed alteration to Rules, together with the name of the Proposer and Seconder of such an amendment, or alteration shall be given in writing to the Secretary at least seven days before the date of the General meeting, at which such an amendment or alteration is to be brought forward.
- 9.9 The Members, at a General Meeting shall have the power to rescind or vary any Rule, regulation or custom, of the Club and to substitute others in their place, provided 7 days written notice is given to the Secretary.
- 9.10 No rule, regulation or custom may be amended retrospectively

- 9.11 The Committee has the right to call Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) outside the AGM. Procedures for EGMs will be the same as for the AGM.
- 9.12 The Honorary Secretary of the Club may convene an EGM on receiving a requisition to that effect, signed by not less than thirty paid up members of the Club, or one third of the total membership, whichever is the less, specifying the objects for which such a meeting shall be called. No other business may be discussed.

10 Discipline and appeals

- 10.1 If any circumstances which, in the opinion of the majority of the committee, are likely to endanger the welfare or good of the Club, shall be brought under their notice, it shall be in their power to suspend or expel any member. Such member shall in case of expulsion forfeit all subscriptions paid or claim upon the club or its property.
- 10.2 That any Member wilfully damaging or losing any property belonging to the Club shall repair such damage as the Committee shall direct.
- 10.3 All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be submitted in writing to the Secretary.
- 10.4 The Committee will nominate a disciplinary committee of 5 members who will meet to hear complaints within 14 days of a complaint being lodged. This committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action including the termination of membership.
- 10.5 The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the member against whom the complaint was made within 7 days of the hearing.
- 10.6 There will be the right of appeal to the Full Committee following disciplinary action being announced. The committee should consider a written appeal within 7 days of the Secretary receiving such appeal.

11 Child Protection

- 11.1 The club will appoint, by majority decision of the committee, a person to act as "Child welfare Officer" (CWO) This person shall be assisted by a "Deputy Child welfare Officer" (DCWO)
- 11.2 The purpose of these two roles will be defined in a job description to be agreed by the committee and held by the secretary.
- 11.3 The club is committed to the welfare of children and has adopted its own child welfare policy – a copy of which is prominently displayed at the club and a copy held by the secretary.
- 11.4 The club has adopted the ECB "Safe Hands" policy and its successors - a copy of which is prominently displayed at the club and a copy held by the secretary

12 Dissolution

- 12.1 A resolution to dissolve the club can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the membership.
- 12.2 In the event of dissolution, any assets of the club that remain will become the property of the ECB

13 Amendments to the constitution

- 13.1 The constitution will only be changed through agreement by majority vote at an AGM or EGM. The amendment must be in writing and in the hands of the Honorary Secretary 7 days prior to the meeting.
- 13.2 Should any question affecting the Club, its property, money or effects arise not provided for by the foregoing Rules, the Committee shall have full power to deal with the same, and its decisions on such questions shall be final.

14 Declaration

Barnsley Cricket Club hereby adopts and accepts this constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of members.

Signed:

Date:

Name:

Kenneth W Green - Club Chairman

Signed:

Date:

Name:

Jack Holden - Honorary Secretary