

Cricklade Triathlon – Club Constitution and Rules

1. Title

The Society shall be called Cricklade Triathlon [The Club].

2. Objectives

- (a) To promote and encourage the involvement of residents of Cricklade and elsewhere in a fun sporting event.
- (b) To organise the annual Cricklade Triathlon at Cricklade Leisure Centre [The Centre] and surrounding area.
- (c) To raise money on behalf of local and national charitable organisations through the running of the annual Cricklade Triathlon.
- (d) To promote good relationship with other Societies, Groups, Companies and Bodies capable of assisting in the development or objectives of the Club.
- (e) At all times to maintain a high standard of sportsmanship and fair play.

3. Membership

Membership shall be open to previous participants of the Cricklade Triathlon on a personal basis and subject to the following classification:

- i) A Full Member shall be a previous Cricklade Triathlon entrant.
- ii) An Affiliate Member shall be a previous Cricklade Triathlon Marshal.
- iii) An Honorary Member shall be a person to whom the Committee may confer Honorary Membership if, in the opinion of the Committee that person is in sympathy with the objectives of the Club and/or may have or be able to render special service to the Club.

4. Application for Membership

Membership is automatic, in accordance with clause 3 of this constitution.

5. Resignation

A member may resign at any time by giving verbal notice to the Committee.

6. Suspension/Disqualification of membership

The Committee shall have the power to disqualify Membership of any Member who has behaved in a manner that is prejudicial to the objectives of the Club, its Members or, in the opinion of the Committee, renders such person unworthy of membership.

7. Rights and Duties of Members

- a) Every member shall be entitled to attend all General Meetings of the Club.
- b) All members shall be eligible for election to the Committee.
- c) Full members shall have one vote on any motion or ballot put at a General Meeting. No other class of Member shall have any right to vote, other than Affiliate or Honorary members who are or at some past time have served on the Committee

8. The Committee and The Election of Officers

- a) The Club shall be managed by a Committee, which shall, subject to this Constitution, have powers to conduct all such affairs of the Club as are not required to be done by a General Meeting.

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- b) The Officers of the Committee shall be:
 - Chairperson
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer (duties may be carried out by the Chairperson or Secretary, if post not filled)
- c) All Officers are elected for a term of one year from the AGM at which they are elected and shall be eligible for re-election at the following AGM.
- d) Two Voting Members are required to nominate candidates for Officers to the Committee. In the case of more than one valid nomination being received for any one position, then an election shall be held at the AGM for that position.
- e) Any Committee member shall cease to be a member of the Committee who:
 - i) becomes bankrupt or
 - ii) becomes unsound of mind or
 - iii) ceases to be a member of the Club or
 - iv) resigns from office or
 - v) by resolution passed by 2/3rds of Voting Members at a General Meeting is removed from office

9. Duties of Officers

- a) The Chairman shall preside over all meetings of the Club. He shall be empowered to supervise the running of the Club and to countersign all legal documents. The Chairman shall be the point of liaison with the Officials of Cricklade Leisure Centre, and Cricklade Town Council. The Chairman shall issue notice of meetings, delegate minute-taking of such meetings and conduct the correspondence of the Club.
- b) The Secretary shall manage the Cricklade Triathlon website, and shall be responsible for membership records.
- c) The Treasurer shall have custody of the funds of the Club and shall keep proper records of the movement of such funds. The Treasurer shall present accounts of those funds to the Committee (as and when requested) and prepare final yearly accounts for examination by members at AGM.

10. Powers of the Committee

The Committee shall have the power to:

- a) Run the affairs of the Club.
- b) Appoint Auditors of the Club and settle the terms of appointment.
- c) Set, review and alter the entry fee for the annual Cricklade Triathlon.

11. Annual General Meetings

- a) The Chairman or Deputy shall preside over the meeting.
- b) A quorum shall be six Members entitled to vote.
- c) Voting shall be by show of hands for general matters and by secret ballot for election of Officers of the Committee.
- d) The business of the AGM shall comprise:
 - i) Apologies for absence
 - ii) Minutes of previous AGM and Matters Arising
 - iii) Chairman's Report
 - iv) Treasurer's Report
 - v) Secretary's Report
 - vi) Election of Officers to the Committee
 - vii) Any Other Business

12. Other General Meetings

- a) A General Meeting may be called on the decision of the Committee.

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- b) An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Committee or by written request to the Chairman for such a meeting signed by at least nine Full Members. Such a meeting is to be held within 28 days of receipt of written request.
- c) An Extraordinary General Meeting shall deal with no business other than specified in the Notice thereof.

13. Indemnification of Officers

The Officers acting on behalf of the Club in their capacities as elected/delegated shall be indemnified by the Club in respect of all losses and proper expenses incurred in the bona-fide execution of their Club duties other than those costs incurred by their own wilful neglect or default. No officer shall be liable for any other person or for joining in any receipt or document, or for any act of conformity, or for any loss or expense caused to the Club except in the case of the like neglect or default.

14. Amendments to Constitution and Rules

The Constitution and Rules of the Club may only be altered by motion put to a General Meeting of the Club and must be passed by 2/3rds of voting members present.

15. Approval of the Constitution and Rules

The Cricklade Triathlon Club Constitution and Rules are hereby approved by 2/3rds of voting members present at the General Meeting of the Club held on 02-Mar-2005 as witnessed by:

Chairperson: Secretary: