

## DRAFT RULES 2012

- Rule 1.** The Club shall be known as 'Bingley Harriers and Athletic Club', hereinafter called the Club.
- Rule 2.** The main purposes of the Club are to provide facilities for and to promote participation in and development of the amateur sport of athletics in all its branches in Bingley and the surrounding area.
- Rule 3.** The management of the Club shall be vested in a committee comprising of:
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| President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Presidents, Senior Coaching Co-ordinator, Junior Coaching Co-ordinator, Membership Secretary, Social Secretary, |   |
| Women's Track & Field Representative,   | Men's Track & Field Representative,                                     |
| Women's Cross-Country & Road Representative, Representative,  | Men's Cross-Country & Road Representative, Women's Fell Representative, |
| Veteran Women's Representative,   | Men's Fell Representative,  |
| Junior Girls Representative,  | Veteran Men's Representative,   |
|   | Junior Boys Representative  |
- together with not more than seven committee members.  
Five to form a quorum. Committee meetings will normally take place monthly, a minimum of six meetings to be held annually.
- Rule 4.** The Annual General Meeting to be held in the month of September or as soon as is practicable to:
- Receive the reports of the President, Team Managers, Secretary and Treasurer.
  - To receive the audited accounts for the previous year.
  - To elect 1 Honorary Auditor
  - To elect Officers, Vice Presidents and appoint Life Members.
  - To consider any proposed amendment to the rules of the Club in accordance with Rule 7.
  - To determine subscriptions for the coming year
- Only fully paid up members of the Club shall be entitled to vote or participate in proceedings at the AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting and must be aged 18 or over on the day of the meeting. 25 to form a quorum.
- Rule 5.** Nominations for all elected officers of the Club must be made in writing and received by the Honorary Secretary at least 28 days before the AGM. In the event of an absence of nominations, the AGM shall have the power to accept nominations at the meeting. In the event of any positions not being filled at the AGM, the committee shall have the power to co-opt at a later date.
- Rule 6.** At the first meeting following the AGM the committee shall appoint the following: Development Officer, Volunteer Co-ordinator, Schools Liaison Officer, 2 Welfare Officers,
- Rule 7.** That no rule be made, altered or rescinded except at the A.G.M. or at a Extraordinary General Meeting, of which 14 days notice shall have been given. 25 to form a quorum. The proposed alteration to appear on the agenda. Any proposal to alter any rule shall be given to the Honorary Secretary at least 28 days before the meeting. This rule shall not be operated to prevent the movement of any amendment to any proposed resolution.
- Rule 8.** The committee may, when it thinks fit and shall, upon a requisition signed by at least ten members convene an Extraordinary General Meeting. The business of such meeting shall be confined to the matters set out in the requisition. Such a meeting shall be held within two months of the requisition and 28 days notice shall be given.
- Rule 9.** That a copy of these rules be given to a member on election, and payment of their subscription shall be deemed an acceptance of these rules for all purposes.
- Rule 10.** The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to members. The Committee shall have the power to expel any member whose subscription is six months in arrears, provided a reminder notice has been sent to such a member, addressed to their last known address, informing them of the proposed action.
- Rule 11.** Membership of the Club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs, except where limitation is a necessary consequence of the requirements of athletics. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non-discriminatory basis. The Club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non-discriminatory and fair basis. The Club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating. Any person desiring to become a member must make application on the forms provided for the purpose; such person must be an amateur as defined by the governing body's rules for competition and shall be elected by a majority vote of the committee. Subscriptions are due on joining and thereafter immediately after the AGM. New members joining after 1<sup>st</sup> April will not be required to pay the following year's subscription. The Club is open to second claim members.
- Rule 12.** That the Club colours be 1" blue and white hoop vests.
- Rule 13.** Any member suspected of a rule infringement or misconduct shall be dealt with in accordance with the appropriate ruling body's guidelines. Any member suspected of such infringement or misconduct may be liable to temporary suspension from all or specified club activities, pending investigation, by a majority of the committee.
- Rule 14.** All surplus income or profits are to be reinvested in the Club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.
- Rule 15.** Upon dissolution of the Club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another registered Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC), a registered charity or the sport's governing body for use by them in related community sports.

**Notes:**

- Should any question arise upon which these Rules do not touch, the Committee shall have the power to deal with the same.
- The Club has adopted the following policies and codes and aims to operate within their principles and procedures: UK Athletics Disciplinary Code, UK Athletics Equity and Diversity Policy, UK Athletics Welfare Policy and Procedures, and the Bingley Harriers Code of Conduct for Athletes, Juniors, Parents, Officials and Volunteers and Coaches. Copies of these documents are available to members on request.

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