

CRANLEIGH RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB LTD (Club)

RULES

These Rules of the Club are made pursuant to Article 49 of the Club's Articles of Association. The terms used shall have the same meaning as in the Articles of Association. Where there is any inconsistency between these Rules and the Articles of Association, the provisions of the Articles of Association shall prevail.

1. Membership

Under Article 28, the Club consists of Voting Members and Non-Voting Members.

2. Voting Members

The Voting Members shall be:

- 2.1 people who participate in playing rugby union (whether competitively or not) for or at the Club and who are over 18 years old (**Playing Members**);
- 2.2 people who are supporters of the Club (**Social Members**);
- 2.3 coaches and/or officials who represent the Club in that capacity (**Coach Members**);
- 2.4 administrators (including members of the Board) and volunteers who have qualities to promote the objects of the Club, (**Skilled Members**);
- 2.5 individuals who are appointed as Vice – Presidents of the Club (**Vice Presidents**); and
- 2.6 individuals who have been elected as Life Members of the Club in accordance with Article 31.2.5

and for the avoidance of any doubt, an individual may only belong to one of the categories listed at Rules 2.1 to 2.5 and may accordingly only exercise one vote in respect of their membership.

3. Non-Voting Members

The Non-Voting Members shall be:

- 3.1 people who participate in playing rugby union (whether competitively or not) for or at the Club and who are under the age of 18 and who have chosen to apply to be a Non-Voting Member and who are admitted to the Club by the Board in accordance with the Articles (**Junior/Mini Members**);
- 3.2 people who are supporters of the Club who have chosen to apply to be a Non-Voting member and who are admitted to the Club by the Board in accordance with the Articles (**Associate Members**);

4. Rights and Privileges of Members

- 4.1 Voting Members are entitled (under the Articles of Association) to receive notice of, attend and vote at general meetings of the Club (either in person or through his proxy), propose and second candidates for election, receive all Club publications and to such other membership rights as the Club in general meeting shall from time to time determine.

- 4.2 In accordance with 4.1, Voting Members are entitled (under the Articles of Association) to vote at a general meeting on any proposed new Rule or any proposed variance or revocation of any existing Rules.
- 4.3 Non-Voting Members are entitled to receive all Club publications and such other membership rights as the Club in general meeting shall from time to time determine. They are not entitled to receive notice of, attend and vote at general meetings of the Club or propose and second candidates for election.
- 4.4 Junior/Mini Members will automatically transfer to being full Playing Members upon them reaching the age of 18 unless they have informed the club in writing that they wish to become an Associate Member instead.

5. Subscriptions

- 5.1 The annual subscription payable by members of the Club, subject to alteration as provided later in this rule, shall be set by the Board from time to time in accordance with the Articles. The annual subscription is currently £[].
- 5.2 The subscription year shall be from 1 September to 31 August inclusive in each year. Any change in subscription made by the Board will be notified to members by being included in any notice, newsletter, or similar document posted to the member by being addressed to him at his last known address, or by posting this information prominently on the Website, on or before 31 July next following after the decision to make the increase and will take effect on the first day of August following such notification.
- 5.3 Members admitted at any time during the year shall pay the such proportion of the annual subscription as apportioned to represent the number of full months remaining in the subscription year.
- 5.4 In the event that a member's membership is terminated for any reason, no refund of a subscription or entrance fee shall be payable unless the Board decides otherwise.

6. Expulsion of Members

The Board has power under the Articles to expel a member in accordance with Article 31.

7. Rules Concerning Provision of Alcohol on the Club Premises

- 7.1 Purchase for the Club and supply by the Club of intoxicating liquor must be in the absolute discretion of the Management Committee a sub-committee of not less than four members being Voting Members over the age of 18 and elected for that purpose by the Voting Members.
- 7.2 If any member of the sub-committee for any reason ceases to be a member, he automatically ceases to be a member of the sub-committee, and another member must be elected by the members in his place.
- 7.3 The sub-committee must not in any way be restricted in freedom of purchase.
- 7.4 No one may at any time receive at the expense of the Club any commission, percentage or similar payment on or with reference to purchases of intoxicating liquor by the Club.
- 7.5 No one may directly or indirectly derive any pecuniary benefit from the supply of intoxicating liquor by or on behalf of the Club to members or guests apart from any benefit

accruing to the Club as a whole and apart also from any benefit which a person derives indirectly by reason of the supply giving rise to or contributing to a general gain from the carrying on of the Club.

8. Rules concerning the acquisition or disposal of land by the Club

8.1 Any decision by the directors of the Club to acquire or dispose of land in the name of the Club must be approved in advance by the Voting Members of the Club at a general meeting or annual general meeting of the Club.

8.2 Any resolution of the Voting Members made pursuant to Rule 8.1 must, in order to be valid:

8.2.1 be voted upon by at least 50% in number of the Voting Members at the time that the resolution is proposed; and

8.2.2 receive the support of greater than 50% of the Voting Members who participate in the relevant voting process.

9. Guests

9.1 Any member may introduce guests to the Club, and any player, coach, other team representative, match official or spectator attending the Club's premises (by invitation of the Club) who is not a member shall be a guest of the Management Committee, provided that no one whose application for membership has been declined or who has been expelled from the Club may be introduced as a guest.

9.2 A member introducing a guest and any person introduced as a guest of the Management Committee must enter the name and address of the guest together with the name of the introducer in a book which must be kept on the Club's premises.

9.3 No one may be admitted as a guest on more than six occasions in any calendar year.

10. Opening of Club premises

The Club is open between [] and [] on each day or at such other times or for such other periods as the Management Committee shall decide.

11. Permitted Hours

The permitted hours for the supply of intoxicating liquor and provision of regulated entertainment shall be as permitted by the Club's Club Premises Certificate.

12. Interpretation of the Rules

The interpretation of the Rules shall be the prerogative of the Board.