

# PENRITH CRICKET SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB CONSTITUTION

## 1 TITLE

- 1.1 The Club shall be called the Penrith Cricket Sports and Social Club, hereinafter referred to as “the club” and shall be affiliated to the England and Wales Cricket Board Limited (ECB) and the Cumbria County Board and shall adhere to and follow directives and guidance and other policies of the ECB.
- 1.2 The official colours of the Club shall be green and gold.

## 2 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 To foster and promote the game of Cricket at all levels within the community and to provide opportunities for recreation, coaching and competition for Cricket, other sports and community use.
- 2.2 To manage Penrith Cricket Sports and Social Club.
- 2.3 To ensure a duty of care to all members of the Club by adopting and implementing the ECB “Safe Hands – Welfare of Young People in Cricket” policy and any future versions of the policy.
- 2.4 To use all surplus income or gains solely for re-investment in the Club. Distribution of Club assets to members or third parties, either in cash or in kind, is expressly forbidden.

## 3 MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Membership of the Club shall be open to any person completing a membership application form and by paying the relevant subscription fees as determined by the Annual General Meeting of Club members.
- 3.2 Members of the Club shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting or by the Executive Committee regardless of age, race, colour, creed, nationality, gender or disability or sexual orientation.
- 3.3 There shall be six classes of membership available. These are:

Playing Member	£35.00	(or £25 if paid by standing order)
Social Member	£10.00	
Junior Member	£ 7.50	(under 15 on 1st September)
Family Membership	£25.00	(social membership to cover either or both parent(s)/carer(s) and any number of junior members under the age of 15 on 1st September)
Student Member	£15.00	(playing members over the age of 15 but in full time education)
Life Member		(honorary membership as determined by the members at an Annual General Meeting)

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- 3.4 All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the club, will be deemed to accept these regulations and the club’s code of conduct.

## **4 OFFICERS**

**4.1 The officers of the Club shall be as follows:**

- **President**
- **Chairperson**
- **Vice-Chairperson**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Subscription Secretary**
- **Team Secretary**
- **Club Welfare Officer**
- **Club Development Officer**
- **Club Coaching Co-ordinator**

## **5 ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

- 5.1 All officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, from and by the members of the Club**
- 5.2 All officers are elected for a period of one year, but may be re-elected to the same office or another office the following year.**

## **6 CLUB COMMITTEE**

- 6.1 The affairs of the Club shall be controlled by a Committee comprising of the Executive Officers of the Club, the Captains of the First, Second and Third Teams, together with a representative from the Ladies/Girls Section and a Junior Member.**
- 6.2 A further five members can be elected to the Committee at the Annual General Meeting or co-opted by the Executive Committee (to represent such areas as Clubhouse Maintenance, Ground, Cricket Teas and Social Functions etc.).**
- 6.3 The Executive Committee may appoint Sub-Committees for any purpose and may include other members of the Club on such Sub-Committees, but there must be a majority of Committee members on each Sub-Committee.**
- 6.4 The Sub-Committee may make any Regulations, provided that they comply with these Rules, on any matters specifically referred to them and shall report their proceedings to the Executive Committee.**
- 6.5 Any member shall be entitled to introduce guests to the Club provided that the guest has not had an application for membership declined or has been expelled from the Club. A guest shall be permitted to purchase liquor for consumption on the premises, but may not be supplied with liquor for consumption off the premises.**
- 6.6 Persons attending private wedding receptions, private parties, private socials or charitable functions organised by non-profit making organisations, shall be permitted to purchase liquor for consumption on the premises, but may not be supplied with liquor for consumption off the premises. The Executive Committee must first approve all receptions, parties, socials or charitable functions. The maximum numbers which may held in any one calendar year shall be:**
- (a) not more than fifty wedding receptions, birthday celebrations, retirement parties and similar functions organised by the club members and**
  - (b) not more than twelve charitable functions organised and private socials organised by persons who are members**

- 6.7 Guests of members and members of visiting teams and officials, together with entertainers appearing in the Club, shall be temporary members of the Club. Any such temporary member shall be permitted to purchase liquor for consumption on the premises, but may not be supplied with liquor for consumption off the premises.
- 6.8 The Club may open for the sale of intoxicating liquor during such hours as may be permitted by the Committee, such hours to be within permitted hours allowed by the Licensing Authorities.
- 6.9 The Executive Committee shall have the power to make arrangements for the supply of liquor on the premises for the period of any special or general extension to the above periods granted by the Licensing Authorities for the area and any such hours shall be subject to any alterations made by the Licensing Authorities to the general permitted hours for the Penrith Licensing Area. The above shall not be construed as placing a liability upon the Club to open the premises for the supply of intoxicating liquor during such hours; the actual hours during which liquor shall be supplied (within the maximum permitted hours) shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.

## **7 DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- 7.1 To control the affairs of the Club on behalf of the members.
- 7.2 To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the Club through the Treasurer. These should be available for reasonable inspection at every Annual General Meeting. The Club shall maintain a bank account and the following officers shall be authorised to sign Club cheques; two from the Chairperson; Treasurer and Secretary.
- 7.3 To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes the Chairperson shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.
- 7.4 Seven Committee Members shall form a quorum.

## **8 MEETINGS**

- 8.1 The Annual General Meeting shall be held in January each year. 14 days clear written notice shall be given by the Secretary to the members of the Annual General Meeting by posting a notice on the Club notice board and also by publishing details in the local press. Members must advise the Secretary in writing of any business to be moved at the Annual General Meeting at least 7 days before the Annual General Meeting and the Secretary shall circulate or give notice of the agenda of the meeting to members not less than 7 days before the meeting.
- 8.2 The Annual General Meeting shall be open to the public, but only members of the Club shall be entitled to vote.
- 8.3 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be to:
  - (a) Confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
  - (b) Receive the annual accounts for the year from the Treasurer.
  - (c) Receive the annual report from the Secretary.
  - (d) Elect the officers of the Club as outlined in 4.1 above together with the Captains and Vice-Captains of the First, Second and Third teams and other committee members.
  - (e) Transact such other business received in writing by the Secretary from members 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and included on the agenda.
  - (f) The Annual General Meeting shall be "Chaired" by the President.

- 8.4 Extraordinary General Meetings may be convened by the Club Committee or on receipt by the Secretary of a request in writing from not less than ten members of the Club Committee. At least 7 days notice shall be given.
- 8.5 Nominations of candidates for election of officers shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 7 days in advance of the Annual General Meeting date. Nominations can only be made by members and must be seconded by another member.
- 8.6 At all general meetings the chair will be taken by the Chairperson or, in their absence by the Vice-Chairperson or a deputy appointed by the members attending the meeting.

## **9 ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

- 9.1 Any proposed alterations to the Club's constitution may only be considered at an Annual General or Extraordinary General Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposal. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a member of the Club and seconded by another member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than two thirds of those members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

## **10 TRUSTEES**

- 10.1 The property of the Club (other than that which shall be in the control of the Treasurer and consumable stores which shall be in the control of the Committee) shall be vested in the Trustees of the Club, who shall be indemnified against any expenses or liability incurred out of the property of the Club. If as a result of undertakings or guarantees which they shall have given at the request of the Committee, the Trustees are called upon from their own funds to make payments which exceed the realisable value of the Club property, the general membership of the Club shall reimburse the Trustees in respect of such excess.

## **11 DISSOLUTION**

- 11.1 If at any Club meeting a resolution be passed calling for the dissolution of Penrith Cricket Sports and Social Club, the Secretary shall immediately convene an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club to be held not less than one month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.
- 11.2 If at that Extraordinary General Meeting, the resolution be passed by at least two thirds of the members present at the meeting, the Committee shall thereupon, or at such date as specified in the resolution proceed to realise the assets of the Club and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Club.
- 11.3 After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Club, the remaining assets shall not be paid or distributed amongst the members of the Club, but shall be given or transferred to another cricket club which is a registered Community Amateur Sports Club or to the ECB being the national governing body for cricket, as specified in the resolution and agreed at the Extraordinary General Meeting.