

HALLAMSHIRE SKI CLUB

RULES AND CONSTITUTION

MAY 2009

1. The Club Name

The club shall be known as The Hallamshire Ski Club.

2. Aims and Objects

The aims and objects of the club shall be to promote and encourage the pursuit of Skiing and associated winter sports interests.

3. Officers

The officers of the club shall be;

- a) President
- b) Chairman
- c) Vice-Chairman
- d) Secretary
- e) Treasurer

4. Management of Committee

- a) The affairs of the Club shall be managed by the Committee of between six and ten members, including officers.
- b) The Committee shall have the right to co-opt assistance from within the Club Membership; such co-opted members will not have voting rights on the Committee issues.
- c) All matters decided by the Committee shall be by majority vote, the Chairman to have a second (or casting) vote, a majority being 60% or more of the total elected committee members.

5. Election of Committee

- a) Members of the Club shall elect officers and other members of the Committee at the Annual General Meeting.
- b) Each member shall have one vote per officer and other members of the committee at the Annual General Meeting.
- c) All proposals and secondments for officers and Committee Members shall reach the secretary at least seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

6. Honorary Membership

- a) The Committee, at its discretion, shall be empowered to appoint an Honorary President and Honorary Members. Likewise the Committee shall be empowered to rescind such appointments.
- b) Honorary appointees shall automatically become members of the club and be entitled to all the rights of Membership, free from obligation to pay the annual subscription.

7. Membership

- a) There shall be three forms of membership:
 - **Personal Membership** - Open to people age 18 and over

- **Family Membership** - Open to families comprising one or two adults and any children up to 18 years of age.

A child is defined as a person under the age of 18 (The Children Act 1989)

All children will be the sole responsibility of their Parents or Guardians at any event organised by the Club or during a Club holiday.

- **Honorary Membership** - See Above

- b) Membership (other than Honorary Membership) of the Club shall be allowed on receipt of the subscription and a completed application form. Yearly renewal of membership shall be allowed on receipt of the subscription only.
- c) Any person participating in Club events, whereby the Club may become liable to third parties for actions or in actions of such person should become members of the Club.

8. Subscriptions

- a) The annual subscription for the following year shall be determined at the AGM or at a specially convened EGM and shall fall due immediately after the AGM/EGM unless decided otherwise at that meeting.
- b) Existing members subscriptions must be paid by the first day of September following the AGM or by the date decided by an EGM.
- c) Failure to pay by the due date shall result in the review of membership by the committee.
- d) Subscriptions are non-returnable.

9. Resignation and Termination of Membership

- a) Any member may terminate that membership by giving notice in writing to the secretary.
- b) The Committee may terminate membership of any member, who shall be entitled to an explanation if requested. The final decision of the Committee however, is final.

10. Property

- a) The property of the Club shall be vested in the Committee, who may appoint Trustees in whom shall be vested such part or parts of the property of the Club as the Committee shall direct, and a record of same shall be kept by the secretary.
- b) The trustees shall be members of the Club and shall be indemnified by the Club against clam, question, Act of God, and expense as a result of such vested interests.
- c) The Club is neither responsible nor liable to members for any injury, damage or loss sustained by them whilst utilising any property belonging to the Club or engaging in any activity or event organised by the Club.

11. Annual General Meeting (AGM)

- a) The AGM shall take place during the month of May of each year.

- b) All members shall have at least three weeks notice of the date and venue of the AGM.
- c) The business transacted at the AGM shall include election of Officers and other Members of the Committee for the forthcoming year and the approval and passing of accounts for the previous year ending the 30th April.
- d) Members wishing to raise issues at the AGM relating to matters of the Club shall notify the secretary, in writing by the end of March.
- e) All issues relating to Club policy raised by members as in d) above, shall be notified to the membership via the Newsletter or Club Notice Board prior to the AGM.
- f) Discussion of matters raised under ' Any Other Business' at the AGM shall be limited by the Chairman to 10 minutes but may be extended, at the discretion of the Chairman, for particularly important or relevant matters, subject to g) below.
- g) There shall be an overall time limit on the AGM such that it shall end no later than 10 minutes before the closing time of the premises in which it is held.

12. Extraordinary General Meeting

An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Secretary on instructions from the Committee, or at the written request of at least 10 members, or 15% of the membership whichever is the greater.

13. Alteration of the Rules and Constitution

- a) Alterations to these Rules and Constitution shall only be made at the AGM or at a specially convened EGM.
- b) Such alterations shall not become effective unless supported by two-thirds of the total number of members present.
- c) Any member proposing an alteration to the Rules and Constitution shall notify the Secretary of the same, in writing by the end of March (in the case of the AGM) or at least twenty-eight days before the relevant meeting (in case of an EGM).
- d) Any such proposed alteration shall be notified to the membership via the Newsletter or Club Notice Board prior to the AGM or EGM.