

## **RULES OF BLACKLEY CRICKET CLUB**

- 1 **This Club** shall for all purposes be called Blackley Cricket Club
- 2 **The** objectives of the Club are to promote and finance the playing of amateur cricket.
- 3 **Funds.** All monies and other property of the Club shall be applied for the furtherance of the objectives of the Club.
- 4 **Membership** of Blackley Cricket Club shall be determined annually by any person having paid a subscription in that year, or by appointment as a life member. Membership shall be open to all, irrespective of age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, creed, colour, social status, and sexual orientation. A life member shall be appointed automatically at the age of 65 (sixty five) years, after having completed ten years membership with the Club, or at the discretion of the members at the Annual General Meeting for services rendered. Life Membership shall be for the extent of that person's life following appointment. A Voting membership shall be any person having paid the **FULL** annual subscription or a life member.
- 5 **Code of Conduct** the following statement will be displayed on the Club Noticeboard:  
  
"Players, officials, members, supporters and employees must adhere to the Club Code of Conduct which prohibits abusive comments and actions of any kind against all other players, officials, members, supporters and employees. Failure to comply with this instruction will result in disciplinary action being taken against the offender(s) as specified in the Club Constitution."
- 6 **All** Officers and Committee Members shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. Members may only be elected to **ANY** Committee after serving **ONE YEAR** as a subscribed member.
- 7 **Administration** shall be by the Committee, elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and made up of the following:
  - (a) The General Committee: President, Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Bar Treasurer, Subscription Secretary, **plus** fourteen elected members, of which at least three shall be female members.
  - (b) Cricket/Selection Committee: President and/or Chair (non-voting) Captains of the First, Second and Sunday Teams (or Vice Captains in their absence), plus the U17 Manager (U15 or U12 Manager in his/her absence) and the Cricket Chair who will be selected by the Selection Committee at their first meeting. The players at a pre-season meeting will select Captains. Selection will be by secret ballot from the nominations displayed on the notice board, which will be removed one week prior to the meeting. Captains will then select their Vice-Captain. All Captains and Vice Captains selected must be ratified by the General Committee.
  - (c) Bar Committee: Bar Committee Chair plus four General Committee Members. In the event of any member for any reason ceasing to be a member of the General Committee he/she shall automatically cease to be a member of the Bar Committee and another member of the General Committee shall be elected in their place.

- (d) Social Committee: Social Committee Chair plus four Club members.
- (e) Ground Committee: Ground Committee Chair plus four Club members.
- (f) Addison Dyson Merit Trophy Committee: The three previous winning members and subsequently the longest serving member shall be replaced annually by the new winning member.
- (g) The Executive Committee: President and/or Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and two members of the General Committee who will be elected at the AGM.

Purpose - to deal with any urgent business that may arise between the monthly General Committee Meetings.

- (h) Auditors shall be appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting.
- 8** **A quorum** shall consist of a total of five, of which one must be an Officer of the Club; unless a quorum is formed the meeting is null and void.
- 9** **The General Committee** shall meet monthly at a time to be decided.
- 10** **No** member of **ANY** Committee shall have more than one vote, except the Chair, who may have the casting vote.
- 11** **No** person shall at any time be entitled to receive, at the expense of the Club or of any member thereof, any commission percentage or similar payment on or with reference to purchases of intoxicating liquor by the Club. Nor shall any person, 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.
- 12** **The** purchase of intoxicating liquor shall be in the absolute discretion of the Bar Committee. This Committee shall in no way be restricted in freedom of purchase.
- 13** **No** money or property of the Club or any gain arising from the carrying on of the Club shall be applied otherwise than for the benefit of the Club as a whole, or for some charitable benevolent or political purpose or purposes chosen by resolution of a general meeting.
- 14** **The** financial year shall end on the 30th September each year.
- 15** **The** Annual General Meeting shall be held on the last Thursday in November each year. Notification to **ALL MEMBERS** must be circulated at least seven days prior to the meeting, together with the agenda and any proposed rule changes.
- 16** **Extraordinary General Meetings** shall be summoned by the Secretary on the receipt of a written request containing at least **THREE** members' signatures stating the reason for such a meeting.

17 **No** rule shall be altered except at an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting called for the purpose and **MUST** be carried by a **TWO-THIRD** majority of the members present.

18 **Subscriptions:**

Playing Members	)	To be agreed
Full non-playing Members	)	at the Annual
Junior Section Members	)	General
Patrons	)	Meeting

19 **The** Committee shall be empowered to elect temporary members to a maximum of twenty, of the Club, on such terms and at such subscriptions, as they shall by resolution decide. No such member shall be elected or re-elected for a period that shall exceed in all one month and Rule 4 hereof shall apply to the election of such members.

20 **Any** playing member of any visiting team, together with its committee and their partners, shall be classed as members for the day of the match on which that team is the opponent of the Club.

21 **Any** member shall be entitled to introduce guests to the Club, provided that no person whose application for membership has been declined or who has been expelled from the Club shall be introduced as a guest. The member introducing a guest shall enter the name of the guest, together with his own name in a book, which shall be kept at the clubhouse. No guest shall be permitted to purchase intoxicating liquor at the Club.

22 **Pursuant** to Section 49 of The Licensing Act 1964 intoxicating liquor may be sold by or on behalf of the Club for consumption on the Club premises to:

- (1) Persons attending club functions organised by the Club.
- (2) Persons attending functions where the premises have been hired out for the purpose of a function to non-members, such occasions to be restricted to ensure that the members are still able to enjoy the privileges of the club. The names and addresses of those attending to be provided to the club at least 7 days before the start of the function. (To substantiate that it is a bone fide function).

23 **The** Club shall be open to members during the hours of 11.00am and 11.00pm. The Committee has the power to vary these hours on special occasions.

24 **The** permitted hours for the supply of intoxicating liquor shall be between the hours of 11.00am and 11.00pm Monday to Saturday and between the hours of 12 noon and 10.30pm on Sundays and Good Friday. Christmas Day opening shall be 12 noon to 3pm and 7pm to 10.30pm.