



ESTABLISHED 1929

CLUB RULES

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1. **Name**

The name of the Club shall be called the "WEST BRIDGFORDIANS CRICKET CLUB" as part of the West Bridgford Sports Club.

2. **Objects**

The objects of the Club are to foster and promote cricket at all levels within the local community and within the sport, providing opportunities for recreation, coaching and competition. To provide and promote social interaction amongst persons interested in cricket, to provide a clubhouse and other safe playing facilities, to ensure a duty of care to all members and generally afford members all the privileges and advantages of the Club.

The welfare, safety and protection of young people is paramount to the Club and the ECB "Safe Hands – Welfare of Young People in Cricket" Policy is actively supported, adhered to and adopted by the Club.

3. **Club Colours**

The colours of the Club shall be red and gold on black.

4. **Membership**

The Club is affiliated to the ECB and in line with the ECB Mission Statement on Equal Opportunities have an active open door membership policy.

Membership of the Club is open to all irrespective of age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, creed, colour, social status and sexual orientation.

There shall be the following classes of membership

- (a) Full playing members
- (b) Youth playing members - those members over 17 years of age and under 21 years of age at 1 September preceding the season or full-time students.

- (c) Junior playing membership - those members under 17 years of age at 1 September preceding the season.
- (d) Family membership
- (e) Non-playing and Social members.
- (f) On the recommendation of the Committee, ordinary members may be elected Honorary Life Vice Presidents at the Annual General Meeting and shall thereafter be entitled to all the privileges of membership without paying the annual subscription or any special payment for such life membership. A two-thirds majority of those present and voting shall be necessary to ensure election.

Applications for membership shall be in writing, signed by the candidate, the proposer and seconder (who shall be members of the Club) and addressed to the Secretary. The Management Committee shall confirm these applications and the candidate shall be informed accordingly.

Any member wishing to resign his membership shall give notice to the Secretary in writing, to that effect, and shall pay all monies due from him at the date of such notice, otherwise he will be liable for the subscription for the ensuing year.

5 **Subscriptions**

Members shall pay a subscription to be agreed at the Annual General Meeting of the Club.

Subscriptions shall become due on 1 June and members who have not paid by 31 July of the same year after a written reminder from the Treasurer, shall not be eligible for selection.

Playing members shall be liable for the payment of match fees to be fixed at the Annual General Meeting.

6 **Officials**

The Officials of the Club shall be:

President, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary, Ground Co-coordinator, Captains and Vice-Captains/Match Secretaries for each XI, Youth Coordinator, Welfare Officer, League Rep., Website Administrator

Any member may hold more than one office of the Club.

7 **Management**

The management, administration and control of the Club shall be vested in the "Management Committee" which shall consist of not less than 10 members with powers to co-opt.

The Management Committee will be appointed by the members at the AGM. One half of the members of the Committee shall retire annually by rotation but shall be eligible for re-election

The Management Committee shall appoint all the Club Officials (with the exception of the President) at their first meeting following the AGM.

A quorum of the Committee shall be five.

The Committee shall meet at least five times a year.

The Committee shall have the power to appoint any sub-Committee and shall prescribe the function of that sub-Committee.

The Committee shall have the power to expel any member who shall offend against the Rules of the Club or whose conduct shall in the opinion of the Committee render him unfit for membership of the Club. The Secretary shall give the member concerned seven day's written notice informing him of the complaints laid against him and requesting him to attend before the Committee.

No member shall be expelled without having an opportunity of appearing before the Committee and answering the complaints made against him nor without a two thirds majority of the Committee then present vote in favour of his expulsion. Any member thus dealt with shall forfeit his subscription and all rights to the property of the Club.

The Committee shall have the power to fill any post, left vacant at or occurring after the Annual General Meeting. The person co-opted shall complete the unexpired term of his predecessor.

The passing of any resolution by the Committee in accordance with its powers as set out in these Rules shall be by a simple majority unless otherwise specifically stated in these Rules. In the event of a tie, the Chairman shall have a casting vote.

8 **Selection**

The selection of the Club's teams shall be vested in the Selection Committee comprising the Captains and Vice-Captains/Match Secretaries of the various teams.

Any disputes shall be referred to the Committee.

The Chairman or anyone nominated by him has the right to attend any meeting of the Selection Committee if he considers it to be in the interests of the Club.

9 **Accounts**

The Treasurer shall keep an account of all income and expenditure and shall submit accounts, duly audited at the Annual General Meeting. The Banking Account shall be in the name of the Club and withdrawals made in the name of the Club on the sole signature of the Treasurer or other nominated Official(s).

10 **Meetings**

The Annual General Meeting shall be held in November of each year, at which the following business will be conducted:-

- (a) The presentation and if accepted, the passing of the accounts for the previous financial year ending on 30 September prior to the meeting.
- (b) The election of the President and Vice Presidents plus the Management Committee. (One half of the Committee shall retire annually by rotation but shall be eligible for re-election).
- (c) Such other business as shall have been communicated to the Secretary and included in the notice of the meeting sent by him to the members.

The Secretary shall, at least 14 days before any General Meeting, give written notice to all members convening a meeting stating the time and place where it will be held and the business to be transacted.

The business at the meeting shall be limited to that provided in the Rules and those further matters set out in the Notice concerning the meeting. The quorum at any General Meeting shall be fifteen.

Any seven members may convene an Extraordinary General Meeting, by giving 14 days notice in writing to the Secretary stating the purpose for which such meeting is required.

At all meetings of the Club each member, including life members, shall have one vote.

The President of the Club shall preside at the Annual General Meeting. In his absence or his inability to do so, which he has notified the Secretary, the Chairman will act in his place.

11. **Modification or Alterations to Rules**

No modification, alteration or addition shall be made to these Rules unless passed by a two-thirds majority of those present at any Annual General Meeting. Notice of any proposed modification, alteration or addition shall be communicated to the Secretary at least 7 days before the date of the Meeting.

12. **Property of the Club**

No materials, kit and equipment belonging to the Club shall be used by any members in matches other than those of the Club, except in representative matches for which members have been nominated by the Club or where written permission has been given by the Committee.

13. **Rules of West Bridgford Sports Club**

The Rules of the West Bridgford Sports Club shall apply to all members using the facilities at the Association Memorial Playing Fields and the Clubhouse situated at Stamford Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham.

14. **Copies**

A copy of these Rules shall be entered in the Secretary's Minutes Book and a copy given to all members of the Club.