

MOORFOOT RUNNERS CONSTITUTION

1. Name

This shall be the Moorfoot Runners Club (hereinafter called “the Club”).

2. Objects

The object of the club shall be to promote athletics.

3. Membership

- a) Prospective members must complete an application form and pay the required subscription.
- b) Applications must be approved by the committee.
- c) Fees shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting.
- d) Subscriptions must be paid for the current season before the member can compete for the club, except where the club chooses to waive this rule. Fees cover the period 1st April-31st March the following year.
- e) To resign, a member must inform the club secretary in writing.
- f) Any member guilty of misconduct (i.e. behaviour contrary to this Constitution or the standard set by UK Athletics) may be cautioned once or expelled from the club by a majority vote of the Committee. Any person expelled will have the right to appeal to a Committee Meeting called at his request, not later than 2 weeks from the date of the expulsion.
- g) Members must wear club colours when representing the Club at competitive meetings.

4. Management

- a) The Committee shall consist of President, Club Secretary, Club Treasurer, (any or all of whom may be honorary members), Club Captain, Junior Coaching Representative and up to four other members, all of whom will be elected at the Annual General Meeting or co-opted. The President shall act as chairman at all committee and General Meetings. In the event that he is unable or unwilling to do so, a deputy shall be appointed by the committee. The Treasurer will keep proper books and will show them to any member on request, within a reasonable timeframe.
- b) An Honorary President may also be chosen by the Annual General Meeting.
- c) The committee shall decide the positions held within the committee at a subsequent meeting, including any positions in addition to those listed in a) above.
- d) Committee members' term of office is 2 years, after which time they may step down or stand for re-election, up to a maximum of 6 years service. After 6 years continued service is at the discretion of the Committee. Committee members can resign in writing to the Secretary during their term of office, giving reasonable notice.
- e) The Committee shall meet at least once a quarter or at the request of any two committee members.
- f) A Quorum for the Committee shall be 4.

- g) All decisions will be by a majority vote; the President shall only have a casting vote in the event of a tie.
- h) The Committee has the power to co-opt extra members up to a limit of three, to create trustees, and to form sub-committees as and when considered necessary.
- i) Committee Members are subject to the same disciplinary measures as ordinary members.

5. Annual General Meeting

- a) The Annual General Meeting will be held every calendar year and the following business undertaken:
 - i. The President's report will be read and discussed.
 - ii. The Accounts will be presented and approved by membership.
 - iii. Proposed fees approved by membership.
 - iv. The committee will be elected.
 - v. Any other business will be discussed.
- b) Motions to be discussed must be submitted in writing to the Club Secretary at least two weeks before the meeting.
- c) Standing Orders or Rules may be changed by a majority decision.
- d) One fifth of all paid up and voting members will constitute a Quorum.
- e) Only members of 17 years and over will be eligible to vote.
- f) Only members with fully paid subscriptions for the previous season may vote.
- g) The chairman shall have only a casting vote.

6. Ordinary General Meeting

An Ordinary General Meeting may be called after two weeks' notice to all members by the Committee, or upon receiving a petition from 4 paid up and voting members, to discuss matters of pressing urgency. A fifth of members will constitute a quorum.

7. Amendments to Constitution

- a) Amendments require a two thirds majority (of those present and entitled to vote) at an AGM or OGM.
- b) Voting rights as at the Annual General Meeting pertain.

9. Dissolution

- a) The Committee, by a two thirds majority at a quorate meeting, may decide to dissolve the club. They must then call an Extraordinary General Meeting giving 4 weeks' notice to all club members. If the motion is passed by a two thirds majority the club is then dissolved.
- b) Alternatively 10 ordinary paid up members (Voting) may petition the Secretary in writing, to call an Extraordinary General Meeting in which the conditions in 9(a) above will apply with respect to calling the meeting and voting at it.
- c) Voting rights as at the Annual General pertain.

- d) Upon dissolution, any funds remaining after all debts have been met will be donated to a charity of the Club's choosing, decided upon at the AGM or OGM.

10. This Constitution was adopted by the membership.

Date

Signed

(President)

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(Club Secretary)