

## **Cambridge University Cycling Club Constitution**

Passed at the Annual General Meeting June 2017

### **1. Name**

The name of the Club shall be “Cambridge University Cycling Club” herein after referred to as “the Club”

### **2. Object**

The Club shall exist to further interest and participation of its members in all aspects of Cycling.

### **3. Affiliation**

- a. The Club shall be affiliated to British Cycling, British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) and Cycling Time Trials, and any other appropriate cycling body as decided by the committee.
- b. The Club colours shall be as registered with British Cycling.

### **4. The Constitution**

- a. A copy of the constitution shall be kept by the General Secretary and shall be available to view on the Club Website.
- b. Amendments to the constitution may only be made by majority vote at an Annual General Meeting (AGM) or Extraordinary General Meeting, for which at least ten Club Members must be present. Amendments must be made available to view by Club Members no fewer than 24 hours before the AGM.
- c. A copy of the Constitution will be lodged with the Senior Treasurer.

### **5. Membership**

- a. The Club Membership shall be open to any matriculated Member of Cambridge University, or members of Staff at the University or affiliated Colleges and Faculties.
- b. The Committee reserves the right to refuse or revoke the Membership of any person or group of persons for which it has good reason.
- c. Membership matters shall be the responsibility of the Junior Treasurer but are under the final authority of the Committee
- d. Membership fees shall be as determined at the AGM.

### **6. Honorary Members**

- a. Any past Member of CUCC may be nominated to be an honorary Member of the club, provided the relevant criteria outlined in the section entitled ‘Membership’ have been met. Election to honorary Member status will be by unanimous Committee vote.
- b. Honorary Members will have equal rights to any offers, subscriptions or other benefits that sponsorship may bring.
- c. Honorary Members shall not be liable for Membership fees.
- d. A copy of the current list of honorary Members shall be lodged with the Senior Treasurer to ensure continuity of record keeping.
- e. The period of honorary Membership will be life.

## **7. Club Governance**

- a. The running of the Club shall be the responsibility of an elected Committee, herein after referred to as the “Committee”, and advised by a group of former Club Members, herein after referred to as the “Senior Committee”.
- b. There shall be a Senior Treasurer who is an MA or PhD of Cambridge University and to whom the incoming and outgoing Junior Treasurers shall submit the Club accounts at the end of each accounting year for audit before the AGM. The Senior Treasurer shall not be liable for any debt or other obligation of the Club except where they have personally authorised it in writing.
- c. The Committee will meet at least once a term.
- d. Sebastian Dickson is hereby declared to be divine and will be venerated as such.
- e. Ultimate power for making decisions shall rest with the Committee, in accordance with its Standing Orders.
- f. Standing Orders for the Committee shall be amended at an AGM by simple majority.
- g. The Committee shall be elected by majority at the AGM in accordance with article 10.
- h. Committee positions may be removed by majority at an AGM.
- i. Committee Members may be removed from their post by the unanimous decision of the other Committee Members.
- j. There shall be a Senior Committee made up of up to 8 former Club Members, to advise the Committee and provide continuity in club governance. It shall operate in accordance with its Terms of Reference. This shall be chaired by the Senior Treasurer, with additional members in accordance with the ‘Membership’ section in that document.

## **8. Committee Structure**

- a. The Committee shall consist of the following posts:
  1. President
  2. General Secretary
  3. Junior Treasurer
  4. Men’s Captain
    - a. Men’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Captain
  5. Women’s Captain
  6. MTB Secretary
  7. Touring Secretary
  8. Events Secretary
  9. Website Secretary
  10. Social Secretary
- b. Responsibilities for running the Club shall be divided up by the Committee by majority decision.
- c. Two members may jointly hold a post on the committee.
- d. No one shall hold more than one post unless those posts are otherwise unfilled.
- e. If a Committee Member resigns, the remaining Committee may elect a replacement by majority, or redistribute the responsibilities between themselves and other willing Members of the Club. Committee Members resign an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called to hold election for the vacated posts.

## **9. General meetings**

- a. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held in the Easter Full Term.
- b. Extraordinary General Meetings may be called at any time during Full Term at the request of at least five Members of the Club.
- c. General Meetings shall be open to all Members of the Club and at least one week's notice must be given.
- d. A simple majority of the Members present shall reach all decisions, except the dissolution of the club.

## **10. Elections**

- a. Nominations for officer positions shall be presented to the General Secretary before the deadline set annually at the end of Easter Full Term.
- b. The nominations for elected positions shall be published no less than 24 hours before the AGM.
- c. Voting shall be by simple majority, by secret ballot. Committee positions shall be voted for in order of most senior to least senior as laid out in the section entitled Committee Structure.
- d. In the event of a tie, the role can be split or put to a revote, at the discretion of the Committee.
- e. If a nomination for a post has not been received, or the position is unfilled following the election, the responsibilities of the role shall be split between the other Members of the new Committee, or an election will be held at a Special General Meeting at the earliest reasonable date.
- f. Any elected Member of the Committee may be removed from a position by way of a two-thirds majority vote of Members present at a General Meeting.
- g. Committee Members will remain in their posts after the election until the end of the Easter Full Term in which the election takes place

## **11. Club Colours**

- a. Club Colours for racing kit shall be Cambridge Blue and of a design agreed upon by the Committee.
- b. The Club emblem shall be a left-facing Cambridge Lion in red and outlined in black. The design is to be administered by the President.
- c. The Club tie shall be Cambridge Blue with narrow diagonal white and red stripes. The design is to be administered by the President.
- d. All Blues of the Club shall be entitled to wear a Cambridge Blue Flannel Blazer with a Cambridge Lion and the letters CUCC in Old English Font under the lion, all embroidered on the pocket.
- e. All Half-Blues of the Club shall be entitled to wear all of the above, in half-blue colours.

## **12. Dissolution of the Club**

- a. The Club shall only be dissolved by a two-thirds majority vote of all Members taken at a General Meeting for which no less than 1 weeks' notice shall have been given of the proposal.
- b. In the event of dissolution, all assets of the club shall be transferred to charitable organisations determined by a majority vote of the Members.