## **HORSHAM JOGGERS - CLUB RULES**

### 1. TITLE

The name of the Club is HORSHAM JOGGERS.

### 2. HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the club is The Bridge Leisure Centre, Wickhurst Lane, Broadbridge Heath, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 3YS

# 3. OBJECT

The main purposes of the club are to provide facilities for and to promote participation in the amateur sports of road, cross country and track running, and social activities for club members, in the Horsham area.

### 4. MANAGEMENT

The management of the club is vested in a committee consisting of a CHAIRPERSON, TREASURER, SECRETARY, and minimum of 4 other members, all to be elected annually: 5 to form a quorum. The maximum number on the committee to be set at 11 members. The Committee has the power to fill any vacancy which may arise.

### 5. CLUB NIGHT

The main club night is Tuesday, when members meet up in time for a 7pm start from The Bridge Leisure Centre.

### 6. MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport on application, regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs, except as a necessary consequence of the requirements of running.

The club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.

The club committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the members.

There shall be two classes of members: full members shall be those aged 16 years and over on 1st April, and junior members shall be those aged less than 16 years. Junior members will not be entitled to vote at any annual general meeting or special meeting of the club, nor be entitled to call a special meeting as referred to in club rule 12.

Honorary membership may be granted to those members who have reached the age of 65 years and who have been full club members for at least the previous 10 years. Honorary membership is at the discretion of the committee and may also be awarded to recognize significant service to the club over the years. Honorary members shall be entitled to vote at any annual general meeting or special general meeting of the club, and be entitled to call a special meeting as referred to in club rule 12.

A candidate for membership must apply in writing on a form provided for the purpose. New members already belonging to an England Athletes (EA) affiliated club are to declare at time of joining that they are already registered against another club.

### 7. CLUB COLOURS

Club race vest and t-shirt colours are white with maroon inserts. Club race vests or t-shirts must be worn at all Sussex Grand Prix, West Sussex Fun Run League or any other competition in which the club participates.

### 8. SUBSCRIPTION

On first becoming a member, all adult and family memberships shall pay an initial joining fee. There is no joining fee for junior memberships. The fee is not applicable in subsequent years of unbroken membership. Memberships that have expired or been cancelled for more than 90 days are subject to paying the joining fee to reinstate or renew a membership. The annual subscription shall be fixed by the committee each year prior to 1st April. Junior members shall pay a reduced subscription. Annual subscription shall not exceed £25 for each full member. The annual subscription for club membership is payable by the 1st April each year.

The Committee shall have the power to expel any member whose subscription is three months in arrears provided a month's notice in writing has been sent to such a member, addressed to their last known address, informing them of the proposed action of the Committee.

No member whose subscription is in arrears is eligible to take part in any race or event promoted by the Club.

### 9. RESIGNATION

A member intending to withdraw membership from the club shall give notice in writing to the Secretary and their membership terminates on the date of that notice unless they are financially indebted to the club, in which case, the committee may withhold acceptance of the resignation until they have discharged their liability.

A Member not having renewed their subscription within 90 days from March 31<sup>st</sup> of any year shall be deemed to have resigned their membership.

### 10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A General Meeting shall be held every year, in April unless the Committee decide to postpone for good reason(s) to a later month, to receive the Committee's report and financial statement, elect Officers of the Committee and deal with any other matters specified on the agenda. The Secretary shall give 21 days' notice of the General Meeting, and notice of any business which it is desired to place on the agenda must be given in writing to the Secretary at least 7 days prior to the meeting. Nominations may be accepted on the night at the Chairman's discretion.

An audited copy of the accounts will be presented at the AGM.

## 11. AUDITOR

An auditor shall be appointed by a General Meeting of the club. The appointment will continue until the resignation of the auditor or a new appointment is made by a General Meeting. Any suitably qualified person who is not a member of the Committee may be appointed as auditor. The duties of the auditor are to review the annual accounts of the club prepared by the Treasurer, and to certify whether or not these give a true and fair view of the clubs' financial affairs, and that adequate records have been kept.

# 12. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A Special General Meeting must be called by the Secretary within 14 days of the receipt by them of a requisition in writing signed by 20 fully paid-up Members of the Club, stating the business to be brought before such a Meeting. The Secretary shall give at least 7 days' notice of the time and place of any Special General Meeting and the business to be dealt with, and no other business shall be dealt with at any such meeting.

### 13. ALTERATION IN RULES

No alteration or addition may be made to the Rules except by an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting called for the purpose. Notice of any proposed amendment must be given as provided in Rules 10 and 12.

### 14. CODE OF CONDUCT

As part of the application to join Horsham Joggers new members will agree to abide to the Club's Code of Conduct. This Code of Conduct is defined in the New Members Booklet as well as on the website (<a href="www.horshamjoggers.co.uk">www.horshamjoggers.co.uk</a>) and Club Noticeboard.

### 15. SURPLUS INCOME OR PROFITS

All surplus income or profits are to be reinvested in the club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties - note that this does not prevent the club from making donations to registered charities.

# 16. APPLICATION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another registered

CASC, a registered charity or the sport's governing body for use by them in related community sports.

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