

OXFORD UNIVERSITY CRICKET CLUB



CONSTITUTION

to be proposed for adoption at the Annual General Meeting on 14th March 2014

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1. The Club is called Oxford University Cricket Club ("OUCC"). The Club's objects are to play, support, develop, improve and promote the game of cricket in the University of Oxford. The Club shall at all times be administered in accordance with the regulations for University clubs which are published from time to time in the Proctors' and Assessor's Memorandum.
2. All resident student members of the University shall be eligible to play in the OUCC teams, namely the 'Blues' and other teams representing Oxford University, the MCC University team which combines players from Oxford and Oxford Brookes Universities, the Authentics, and any other team for the time being determined by the Committee to be an appropriate team to be organised by the Club. A student member is a matriculated member of a college or hall who is reading and registered for a recognised degree, diploma or certificate. A member is resident if during term the member satisfies the requirement for residence laid down by the University. A member shall continue to be eligible until he is given permission to supplicate for his degree, diploma or certificate regardless of whether or not he continues to be liable to pay fees to the University.
3. The members of the Club shall be:-
 - (a) all persons who were members of the Club at the date on which this Constitution was adopted;
 - (b) all resident student members who play or have played for any of the OUCC teams, who shall pay such membership subscription if any as may be determined from time to time by the Committee;
 - (c) all persons who were or if this constitution had been in effect would have been members when resident, together with the President and all Officers, Vice-Presidents and others elected pursuant to Rule 6; and
 - (d) all other persons (whether members of the University or not) who wish to support the Club and may from time to time be elected as members by the Committee.

Resident student members who are eligible to play for any of the OUCC teams shall make such contribution to the expenses of the Club as the Committee may from time to time determine. Other members shall not be obliged to pay any subscription, but may make a contribution to the expenses of the Club as the Committee may from time to time recommend or otherwise as they consider appropriate.

4. Only members who are members of the University shall have a vote at Annual or other General Meetings. All other members shall be entitled to attend and (if allowed by the Chairman of the meeting) to speak, but not to vote. The Chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to require any person claiming to be a member of the University to establish this to the Chairman's satisfaction before a vote is taken and the Chairman's decision as to such entitlement shall be final and conclusive.
5. There shall be an Annual General Meeting of all members in Hilary Full Term, convened by the Secretary on 14 days' notice. All notices to members may, if the Committee so decides, be given only by electronic means to those members who have supplied an electronic address for this purpose.
6. The Annual General Meeting shall:-
 - (a) receive the report of the Committee and the accounts of the Club for the previous financial period, both having been approved by the Committee and in the case of the accounts reported upon (but not audited) by a chartered or certified accountant;
 - (b) elect (if any of these offices be vacant) the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and the Senior Member to be members of the Committee; the Committee's nominations for these offices shall be contained in the notice of meeting, and any alternative nominations must be proposed and seconded by voting members, have the consent of the nominee and be received in writing by the Secretary not less than 7 days before the date of the meeting;
 - (c) elect (in accordance with recommendations of the Committee and if any of these offices be vacant) a President, Vice-Presidents and Life Members, including Honorary Vice-Presidents and Honorary Life Members; and
 - (d) consider any motions of which due notice has been given and any other relevant business.
7. An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called promptly, giving 14 days' notice, by the Secretary in any Full Term if demanded by the Chairman or the Senior Member, or the Club Captain or Team Secretary, or upon receipt of a written requisition from 7 or more voting members, stating the reason for which the meeting is to be called.
8. Notice of the agenda shall be included in the notice of all General Meetings.

9. The quorum for a General Meeting shall be 5 members (whether or not entitled to vote) present in person. When any financial business is to be conducted, the Treasurer or the Senior Member (or another member of the Committee deputed by one of them to represent his views to the meeting) must be present.
10. The affairs of the Club shall be administered by a Committee ("the Committee") consisting of 4 Non-Student Members and 6 Student Members as follows:-
 - (a) The Non-Student Members shall be the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and the Senior Member elected as provided in Rule 6; and
 - (b) The Student members shall be the Captain, the Team Secretary, the Team Treasurer, the captain of the Authentics and 2 others appointed by the Captain.

The Committee shall have responsibility for all activities of the Club.

11. The Senior Member must be a member of Congregation who will be able to represent the Club to the Proctors of the University as the 'Senior Member' of the Club for University purposes.
12. The President, all Vice-Presidents, the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and the Senior Member shall all serve for 3 years from the meeting or date when they are elected and shall then be eligible for re-election, and if re-elected can serve for an indefinite number of successive 3-year terms.
13. The Captain shall be elected for the ensuing year annually by those Blues who played in the preceding 4-day Match against Cambridge University as soon as practicable after the end of the match. The Captain shall as soon as practicable after his election appoint the Team Secretary, Team Treasurer, the Captain of the Authentics and 2 others to be members of the Committee.
14. If during the period between elections any vacancies occur in an elected office, the Committee shall have the power to fill the vacancies by co-option up to the next Annual General Meeting, and the co-opted officer shall then be eligible for election as if for the first time. In the case of a vacancy in an appointed office, the appointor shall have the power to appoint a new officer.
15. The Chairman or a person nominated by him shall preside at all meetings of the Committee. If he and his nominee are absent, the Committee shall choose another of its members to take the chair.
16. The Secretary shall act as Secretary to the Committee.
17. The Committee shall have control of the funds and property of the Club, Provided that any decision involving expenditure by the Club of more than £5,000 shall not be valid or effective unless it is approved by the Senior Member.

18. Without derogating from its primary responsibilities, the Committee may delegate any of its functions to sub-committees, as it considers appropriate. The Committee may also co-opt any person or persons to be additional members of the Committee, Provided that the number so co-opted shall not at any one time exceed 4 and any person so co-opted shall not continue as such for longer than 3 years without the approval of a General Meeting .
19. The quorum for all meetings of the Committee and any sub-committee shall be 3 members present in person.
20. The Committee shall have power to make regulations and by-laws, in accordance with this Constitution, and to settle any disputed points not otherwise provided for in this Constitution.
21. The Club shall observe all Codes of Conduct and follow all such procedures as are acceptable to the Proctors, and ensure compliance therewith by members of the Club.
22. No member of the Committee shall be removed from office except by the approving votes of three-quarters of the voting members of the Club present in person at a General Meeting.
23. The income and property of the Club shall be applied to the objects of the Club.
24. No member of the Club shall receive payment for his or her service as an officer or member.
25. The Committee shall have power to terminate or suspend for such period as it thinks fit the membership of a member or reprimand a member for any infringement of this Constitution, any regulation or by-law made by the Committee, or for any conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Club or contrary to the spirit of cricket. The procedure for the exercise of this power shall be prescribed by the Committee: details shall be kept by the Secretary and available for inspection by members at all reasonable times.
26. So far as may be permitted by law, every member of the Committee and every officer of the Club shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Club against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him or her in the execution or discharge of his or her duties or the exercise of his or her powers, or otherwise properly in relation to or in connection with his or her duties. This indemnity extends to any liability incurred by him or her in defending any proceedings, civil or criminal, which relate to anything done or omitted or alleged to have been done or omitted as a member of the Committee or as an officer of the Club and in which judgment is given in his or her favour (or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his or her part), or in which he or she is acquitted, or in connection with any application under any statute for relief from liability in respect of any such act or omission in which relief is granted to him or her by the Court.

27. So far as permitted by law, the Club may purchase and maintain for any member of the Committee or officer of the Club insurance cover against any liability which by virtue of any rule of law may attach to him or her in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he or she may be guilty in relation to the Club and against all costs, charges, losses and expenses and liabilities incurred by him or her and for which he or she is entitled to be indemnified by the Club by virtue of Rule 26.
28. The Club may be dissolved at any time by the approving votes of three-quarters of the voting members of the Club present in person at a General Meeting. The Club may also be dissolved (without the need of any resolution of members) by not less than 30 days' notice from the Proctors to the Secretary if at any time the Club ceases to be registered with the Proctors.
29. In the event of the Club being dissolved, its assets shall not be distributed amongst the members but shall be applied in support or encouragement of the playing of cricket by members of the University, as approved by the University.
30. Any question about the interpretation of these Rules shall be settled by the President and the Chairman or (if they fail to agree) by the Senior Member.
31. Any provision of this Constitution may be amended with the approval of three-quarters of the voting members present in person at a General Meeting of which due notice (of both the meeting and of the proposed amendment) shall have been given, Provided that (1) such amendment shall be approved by the Proctors, and (2) no amendment of Rule 17 shall be effective unless approved by the Senior Member.

