

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF STEWART'S MELVILLE CRICKET CLUB

NAME

1. The Club shall be called "Stewart's Melville Cricket Club" (hereinafter called the "Club") and shall be affiliated to the Daniel Stewart's and Melville College Club.

OBJECTS

2. The objects of the Club shall be to play and foster the game of cricket under the laws of the game and in membership of "Cricket Scotland" and the "East of Scotland Cricket Association".

COLOURS

3. The Club colours shall be black, scarlet and gold

MEMBERSHIP

- 4. Membership of the Club (either playing or non-playing) shall be open to -
 - (a) Former pupils of Stewart's Melville College (or its predecessor constituent schools) and Mary Erskine's School.
 - (b) Staff and former staff members of Stewart's Melville College and Mary Erskine's School,
 - (c) Parents of present pupils and former pupils of Stewarts Melville College and Mary Erskine's School,

Note: Present pupils of Stewart's Melville College and Mary Erskine's School are eligible for membership of the Juniors section of the Club in terms of paragraph 5.

- 5. Membership of the Juniors section of the Club, and hence the Club, shall be open to all boys and girls under the age of 18 on the 1st day of September in the preceding year.
- 6. In addition any person unconnected with the Club in terms of paragraph 4 above may be admitted to playing membership or non playing membership
- 7. Non playing membership of the Club shall be open to any former playing member (including those admitted under paragraph 6 above) and to other persons admitted by the Management Committee.
- 8. Application for membership of the Club shall be submitted to the Honorary Secretary who may refer applications to the Management Committee for election by ballot. No application for membership will be refused on other than reasonable grounds. There will be no discrimination on grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation or political or other opinion.
- 9. Any member desiring to withdraw from the Club shall give notice to the Honorary Secretary no such resignation shall be considered unless all monies due by the said member be paid.
- 10. Any member violating the rules or guilty of any misconduct of a cricketing or non cricketing nature detrimental to the reputation of the Club may either be suspended for such period as deemed appropriate or have their membership withdrawn at the discretion of the Management Committee provided that the

member concerned shall have the right to be heard by the full Management Committee before any final decision is made.

11. Honorary Life Membership may be granted by the members in General Meeting to any person who has given outstanding service over a period of years.

OFFICE BEARERS

- 12. Office-bearers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall consist of an Honorary President, Honorary Vice-Presidents, President, Vice-President, Captains of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and Women's X1s, Honorary Secretary, Fixture Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Honorary Assistant Treasurer, Junior Convenor and Child Protection Officer
- 13. Office-bearers will hold office for one year but will be eligible for re-election.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- 14. The Office Bearers elected at the Annual General Meeting shall subsequently form a Club Management Committee to manage the affairs of the Club for the following year, consisting of a minimum of 5 elected Office-Bearers excluding the Honorary President and Honorary Vice-Presidents.
- 15. The Management Committee shall have the delegated power to determine on all such matters coming under its notice and can invite to Committee meetings such persons as it decides may best help to resolve such matters but may be answerable to the members at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the members.
- 16. The Management Committee may at its discretion form sub-committees of not less than two club members. All sub-committees will report to the Management Committee.
- 17. The Management Committee shall have the power to fill vacancies which may occur in their membership between Annual General Meetings, or as a consequence of a position being left unfilled at the Annual General Meeting, and to attach such description to any such committee member elected in terms of paragraph 12 as may be deemed appropriate.

DUTIES

- 18. The Honorary Secretary shall maintain a record of names and email addresses of all members, and shall generally transact the correspondence of the Club, attend meetings on behalf of the Club and deliver a report on the Club's activities to the Annual General Meeting.
- 19. The Honorary Treasurer shall collect all subscriptions and all monies due to the Club, issue receipts, intromit with the funds, keep the accounts and at the Annual General Meeting shall present an annual report and accounts examined and reported upon by an Independent Examiner elected at the Annual General Meeting but not being a Member of Committee.
- 20. The Independent Examiner shall examine the books of account, bank statements and other supporting documents of the Club, report whether in his opinion the accounts are in accordance with the books and records presented to him.
- 21. The Club bank account shall be operated by any one of the following signatories President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Assistant Treasurer.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 22. The subscriptions inclusive of any match fees payable for the ensuing season shall be determined each year by the members at the Annual General Meeting. Subscriptions shall be determined separately for the following categories:
 - (a) Playing members of the Club (other than (b) below),
 - (b) Playing members of the Club in full-time education, unemployed or under 20 on 1st April of the season in question,
 - (c) Under 18 playing members of the Club,
 - (d) Juniors playing members of the Club,
 - (e) Non-playing members of the Club.
- 23. The subscription is due and payable on the first day of April and not later than the last day of August of the current year. A member in arrears with his subscription shall be debarred from taking part in matches and may not vote at any General Meeting or enjoy Club privileges; such action may be taken at the Management Committee's discretion on the advice of the Honorary Treasurer against any member who unreasonably delays paying of his subscription and will be automatic for all members in arrears on 1st September of the current year.
- 24. Match fees in lieu of a subscription for occasional players over 18 shall be determined at the discretion of the Management Committee.

MEETINGS

- 25. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the close season and shall be called by circular stating the business to be considered and given fourteen day's clear notice thereof.
- 26. The agenda of the Annual General Meeting shall include the following :-
 - (a) Previous year's minutes,
 - (b) President's remarks,
 - (c) Secretary's report,
 - (d) Treasurer's report,
 - (e) Election of Office-Bearers,
 - (f) Other competent business.
- 27. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time on a requisition to the Honorary Secretary in writing by at least eight members or by the Management Committee. Such meeting shall be called by circular giving seven days' clear notice thereof and stating the business to be considered.
- 28. Meetings shall be chaired by the President or, in his absence the Vice-President. In the absence of both, the meeting shall appoint a Chairman. The Chair shall have a deliberate, as well as a casting, vote.
- 29. At a General Meeting of the Club, ten members shall form a quorum. At a Management Committee meeting, three members shall form a quorum.

CONSTITUTION

- 30. Alterations and additions to the rules shall only be made at the Annual General Meeting of the Club or at an Extraordinary General Meeting called for that purpose.
- 31. Notice of such alteration must be given in accordance with paragraphs 25 and 27.

32.	Copies of this Constitution shall be kept by the Honorary Secretary and made available to any members who may request such a copy and to members in General Meeting.)
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