

C O N S T I T U T I O N

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THE MILNGAVIE MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

1. NAME AND OBJECTS.

The Club shall be called "The Milngavie Mountaineering Club".

Its objects shall be:

- (a) To foster an active interest in mountains amongst persons resident in the district of Bearsden and Milngavie and surrounding district.
- (b) To afford opportunities to its members of acquiring knowledge of mountaineering techniques and of obtaining access to mountains by the arrangement of suitable transport facilities.
- (c) To encourage its members to participate in the activities of Mountaineering Clubs.

2. MEMBERSHIP.

Membership shall be open to anyone over the age of 17 years.

3. ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

Applications for membership shall be in writing and addressed to the Secretary. There is reserved to the Committee the right, on recommendation of not less than two of its number, to refuse admission to any applicant without reason being stated, if this is considered to be in the best interests of the Club.

4. SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Each member shall pay an annual subscription which shall be due on 1st October. The subscription of a Member Elect shall fall due on the date of election to the Club. The amount of the subscription for the ensuing financial year shall be fixed by the Club at the Annual General Meeting.

5. ARREARS.

Any member whose subscription is three months in arrears may be deemed, at the discretion of the Committee, to have forfeited the privileges of membership and to have resigned from the Club. Resignations to the Club must be intimated to the Secretary not later than 1st November in any year; otherwise liability for the current year's subscription will be incurred.

6. GUESTS.

Members may introduce guests to any meet or meeting. No guests who are qualified for membership of the Club may be introduced to more than three meets in any one year.

7. FINANCIAL YEAR.

The financial year of the Club shall commence on 1st October and end on the 30th day of September.

8. THE CLUB COMMITTEE.

The affairs of the Club shall be administered by a Committee consisting of a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and five

members. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined. Five shall form a quorum. At meetings, the chair shall be taken by the President, in the absence of whom it shall be taken by a Committee member elected at the meeting. The Committee shall have powers to appoint such Sub-Committees as they think necessary. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex officio trustees of the Club. The Committee shall have the power to interpret these rules and to deal with matters not provided for by them.

9. HONORARY PRESIDENT.

The Committee may appoint a mountaineer to act as Honorary President.

10. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE.

The President, Secretary and Treasurer and Members of the Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office from the day following the meeting until the succeeding Annual General Meeting. All Office-Bearers and Committee Members shall be eligible for re-election, with the exception of the President who shall not remain in office for more than two years successively. Each candidate for election to the Committee must be proposed by two members of the Club and in the case of a candidate being nominated in absentia; the written consent of the candidate so proposed must be produced.

If at the Annual General Meeting the number of candidates duly proposed as Members of Committee does not exceed the number of respective vacancies, then the Chairman of the meeting shall declare the candidates elected. If the number of candidates for any post exceeds the number of vacancies, the meeting shall forthwith proceed to an election by show of hands.

11. CASUAL VACANCY.

The Committee shall have the power to fill by co-option any casual vacancy in its number pending the next Annual General Meeting.

12. AUDITOR.

The Committee shall appoint an Auditor to audit the accounts of the Club for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

13. TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

The Treasurer shall, at the Annual General Meeting, submit accounts for the previous financial year, ending on preceding 30th September.

14. GENERAL MEETINGS.

The Club shall hold a General Meeting at least once a year at a place and time to be fixed by the Committee between 30th September and 30th November. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time by the Committee or on the receipt by the Secretary of a request signed by at least five members of the Club specifying the object for which the meeting is to be called. The Secretary shall be bound to call such a meeting within four weeks of receipt of such request.

15. CHAIRMAN.

The Chair at a General Meeting shall be taken by the President, in whose absence by a chairman elected by the members present. The Chairman at a General Meeting shall, in the case of an equality of votes, have a second or casting vote.

16. ALTERATION TO CONSTITUTION.

Any General Meeting of the Club shall have power by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes recorded, to alter or add to the existing constitution. Notice of any such proposed alteration or addition shall be posted to all members at least one month before the date of the said General Meeting.

17. The Committee shall have power, by a majority; to expel from the Club, or to take disciplinary action against, any member for any cause which it shall deem sufficient.

18. DISSOLUTION OF CLUB.

A General Meeting of the Club shall have power, by a majority of not less than three quarters of the votes recorded with a minimum of recorded votes of not less than two thirds of all the members on the roll of the Club at the time of the vote, to dissolve the Club. The proposal to dissolve shall only be made by the Committee or in pursuance of a request made to the Secretary signed by not less than ten members of the Club, The voting shall be open, and members not present shall be entitled to vote by letter. Notice of the proposal to dissolve shall be posted to all members at least one month before the date of the said meeting.

In the event of a dissolution, any surplus funds shall be divided equally among the members on the roll of the Club at the date of dissolution, or donated to some suitable organisation.