

Redhill Road Runners Club Constitution

Amended at AGM Wednesday, Wednesday 21st March 2108

(1) Name

The name of the Club will be Redhill Road Runners. The Club will be affiliated to the United Kingdom Athletics, Midland Counties Athletic Association and Nottinghamshire Amateur Athletic Association.

The address of the Club will be Redhill Leisure Centre, Redhill Road, Arnold, Nottingham NG5 8GX.

(2) Aims and Objectives

The aims and objectives of the Club will be:

- To provide facilities for members to enjoy and improve their running.
- To offer competitive opportunities in road running and cross country (including trail running and fell running).
- To provide coaching to individuals of all abilities.
- To offer a friendly and active social programme.

(3) Membership

Membership should consist of Officers and Members of the Club.

All Members will be subject to the regulations of the Constitution and by joining the Club will be deemed to accept these regulations.

Membership shall consist of persons who are members at the time of the adoption of this Constitution and such other persons whose application for membership is accepted by the Committee in accordance with this Constitution. The following categories of membership will be available:

- **Senior Membership** – For the payment of the appropriate membership fee; Senior Members can compete for the Club in any affiliated road, cross country or track race after paying the appropriate entry fee for the race (where applicable). Senior Membership also allows full voting rights at the AGM/EGM.
- **Life Membership** – Bestowed on long serving members who the Executive Committee deem have given loyal and outstanding service. Life members have free membership of the Club and can compete in all eligible races and have full voting rights at AGM/EGM.

- **Associate Membership** – For the payment of the appropriate fee; Associate Members will receive information on the Club's activities but are not allowed to compete for the Club in any capacity or have any voting rights.
- **Young Adult** (Age 16 or 17 at renewal): For the payment of the appropriate membership fee; Young Adult Members can compete for the Club in any affiliated road, cross country or track race that is open to runners of their age, after paying the appropriate entry fee for the race (where applicable). Young Adult Membership also allows full voting rights at the AGM/EGM.

(4) Membership Fees

Membership fees will be set annually and determined at the Annual General Meeting.

Fees will be paid annually and are due on the 1st January. In the case of new Members, subscriptions shall be due on the first day of the month following election to membership. The Executive Committee shall have powers of discretion to determine the level of subscription for Members who join the Club in the latter part of the year.

Members who have not paid their fees by 31st March after the due date will be deemed to no longer be a Member of the Club.

(5) Officers of the Club

The Officers of the Club will be:

- Chairman
- Vice-Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Membership Secretary

Additional Officers may be appointed as agreed by the Executive Committee, to include roles relating, for example, to Road Racing, Cross Country, Fell Running, Publicity and Communications, Coaching, Kit, Social. The position of Officer may be shared between more than one elected member.

Officers will be elected at the Annual General Meeting and will be eligible for reappointment.

(6) Committee

7. The Club will be managed by the Executive Committee consisting of the Officers of the club. The Executive Committee will be convened by the Secretary of the Club and held each month at a date and venue agreed by the Chairman and Vice-chairman, except where quorum cannot be achieved.

The quorum required for business to be agreed at Executive Committee meetings will be: four Officers.

The Executive Committee will be responsible for adopting new policy, codes of conduct and rules that affect the organisation and running of the Club.

The Executive Committee will have powers to appoint sub-committees as necessary and appoint advisers or Officers to the Executive Committee as necessary to fulfil its business.

(7) Finance

All Club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the Club.

The Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the Club.

The Executive Committee can authorise sub-committees to hold their own accounts in the name of the Club if deemed necessary.

The financial year of the Club will end on 31st January. The Club Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting will present a statement at that date. This must be reviewed by an individual that is independent to the Executive Committee.

Any cheques drawn against the Club funds must bear the signatures of two competent Officers drawn from the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.

(8) Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Club will be held in March each year.

The Secretary will give notice of the AGM. Not less than 21 clear days' notice must be given to all members.

The business to be transacted will include:

- a report (either written or verbal) from Officers of the Club;
- the presentation of the Treasurer's report and statement of accounts as defined above in (7) Finance;
- election of Officers;
- the consideration of any other matters raised by Members of the Club provided they have been submitted to the Secretary no later than 14 days prior to the date of the AGM.

Nominations for Officers of the Club must be nominated and seconded by Club Members. Nominations will be displayed on the Club noticeboard from at least 28 days before the AGM, or may be made at the AGM.

If there is only one nomination for a committee post, the properly nominated candidate shall be deemed to be elected at the AGM without the need for a vote to be taken.

All eligible Members have the right to vote at the AGM. Any Member who is unable to attend will be allowed a proxy vote provided the request is submitted to the Secretary, in writing, not less than 7 days prior to the date of the AGM.

The quorum for AGMs will be 20 Senior Members or 15% of the membership eligible to vote at the date of the AGM (whichever is the smaller number). If within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned, to be reconvened to the earliest practicable date in accordance with the notice procedure.

(8.1) Extraordinary General Meeting

An Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) may be convened at any time by the Executive Committee or by requisition signed by not less than twenty Members at that time and sent to the Secretary at the address of the Club and setting out the business required to be transacted. The Secretary must convene a meeting within 14 days of receiving the requisition or request by the Committee. No other business may be considered at such a meeting other than that set out in the requisition.

All Members have the right to vote at an EGM. Any member who is unable to attend will be allowed a proxy vote provided the request is submitted to the Secretary, in writing, not less than 24 hours before the date of the EGM and must be confined to specific issues on the agenda of the EGM.

(9) Club Colours

The colours of the Club will be red, white and grey vests. The Committee, that shall also approve the design of any badge or emblem purporting to show membership of the Club, will determine any change to the club colours.

The wearing of club colours is confined to fully subscribed Members.

(10) Property

All Members of the Club must care for the properties belonging to the Club or loaned to the Club and be expected to pay for or replace to the satisfaction of the Committee any property lost or damaged by any Member, fair wear and tear excepted.

(11) Discipline and Appeals

All Members must abide by the rules of UK Athletics. Any Member guilty of behaviour contrary to UK Athletics rules or to this Constitution may be cautioned once or expelled

from the Club by a majority decision of the Executive Committee. Any person expelled will have the right to appeal to an Executive Committee meeting called at their request not later than 14 days from the date of expulsion.

All complaints regarding the behaviour of Members should be submitted in writing to the Secretary.

(12) Duty of Care

All Officers of the Club must recognise that they may have access to confidential information about the Club membership. Confidentiality must be maintained at all times. All coaches must have or be working toward a recognised UK Athletics coaching qualification and should encourage a spirit of fair play and good sportmanship.

(13) Dissolution

A resolution to dissolve the Club can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the Membership, either present or by postal vote.

In the event of dissolution, any assets of the Club that remain will become the property of the Nottinghamshire Amateur Athletic Association.

(14) Amendments to the Constitution

The Constitution can be changed only through agreement by majority vote at an AGM or EGM.

(15) Declaration

Redhill Road Runners hereby adopts and accepts this constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of Officers and Members.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

Name: _____ (Chairman)

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

Name: _____ (Secretary)