



CONSTITUTION AND RULES

The Club Burgee is triangular in shape, horizontally halved, the top half being red and the bottom half blue, with the Bolton Elephant and Castle device in the centre in gold or yellow. Only current members of the Club have the right to use it.

A. NAME AND OBJECTS

1. The Club shall be called "Bolton Sailing Club".

2. The objects of the Club shall be:

(a) to promote community participation in and popularise dinghy and keelboat sailing and any other permitted watersports by any means which may from time to time be decided upon by the Club and to offer facilities to all those desirous of taking up these pastimes;

(b) to organise competitive events for craft of any one design or restricted class, or any other class or such other competitions as the Club may decide;

(c) to give hospitality to visiting sailors and to provide such social amenities and functions as may from time to time be determined.

3. The Club is a non-profit making organisation. All profits and surpluses will be used to maintain or improve the Club's facilities. No profit or surplus will be distributed to members or third parties.

B. MEMBERSHIP AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

4. Membership of the Club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport of dinghy or keelboat sailing, or other permitted watersports, on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. Membership may however be limited according to available facilities on a non-discriminatory basis.

Membership shall comprise of Full, Senior, Honorary, Out of Port, Associate, Junior, Family, Sailability, Paddle & Board, Junior and Responsible Person and Temporary members.

Every member on election and thereafter, is deemed to have notice of, and undertakes to comply with, the Club Rules and the current Bye-Laws and Regulations of the Club. Any refusal or neglect to do so, or any conduct which, in the opinion of the Committee, is likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute, shall render the member liable to disciplinary action by the Committee, which may include expulsion or non-renewal of membership. Provided that, before taking any such disciplinary action, the Committee shall call upon such member for a written explanation of the member's conduct and shall give the member full opportunity of making an explanation to the Committee, or resigning. A resolution to apply any sanction shall be carried by a simple majority vote of those members of the Committee present and voting on the Resolution. The Committee (or any person to whom the Committee shall delegate this power) may temporarily suspend or exclude a member from particular training sessions, racing and/or other Club activities, when in their opinion such action is in the interests of the Club.

(a) Full Members

All dinghy and keelboat sailors and those interested in taking up the pastime of dinghy or keelboat sailing being over 18 years of age on the first day of January during the year of their enrolment or membership shall be eligible for Full membership.

Full members shall have one vote at General Meetings of the Club.

(b) Senior Members

As an alternative to Full membership any person who is over the age of 50 years on the 1st January of the current year and has been a Full member of the Club for at least 15 years may take advantage of Senior membership. No Senior member shall have the right to be a boat owner, vote at General Meetings of the Club, serve on the General Committee of the Club or to hold office excepting the position of Trustee. Senior members may sail in competitions on not more than six days and must sign on non-nominated. During their first year, Senior members will be liable to perform Club duties.

(c) Junior Members

Any person, who fulfils the requirement for Full membership who has not attained the age of 18 years on the first day of January during the year of their enrolment or membership, shall be eligible for Junior membership of the Club.

No Junior member shall have the right to vote at General Meetings of the Club, serve on the General Committee or to hold office. Applications for Junior membership must have the prior written consent of their parent or guardian who must be a Full, Honorary, Associate or Paddle & Board member of the Club.

(d) Associate Members

(i) Subject to the approval of the Committee and in any one year commencing with the Annual General Meeting a Full member may introduce and sponsor their spouse/partner as an Associate member of the Club. Such sponsorship shall be clearly recorded on the Form of Application for Membership made by the Full member in respect of such year of

membership. No Associate member shall have the right to be a boat owner or vote at General Meetings of the Club.

(ii) Subject to the approval of the General Committee a spouse/partner of a former Full member may continue to enjoy Associate membership.

(e) Out of Port Members

A Full member with a minimum of three years standing who leaves the area by over 35 miles radius from the Club, or any bona fide member of a R.Y.A. affiliated Club, may apply to the Committee for Out of Port membership.

No Out of Port member shall have the right to vote at General Meetings of the Club, serve on the General Committee of the Club or to hold office. Out of Port members may sail in competition on not more than more than six days and must sign on non-nominated.

(f) Honorary Members

(i) The Committee may nominate for election at an Annual General Meeting such Honorary members as the Committee may think fit. The total of such Honorary members shall not, however, at any time exceed five per cent of the total number of members nor shall the number of Honorary Members at any one time exceed six in number.

(ii) Honorary members shall have one vote at General Meetings of the Club.

(g) Family Membership

The family unit shall include one or two parents (as may be) and all their children (Juniors) who have not attained the age of 18 on the first day of January during the year of enrolment or membership. One of the parents must be nominated as the Full member and the other as Associate member. The Full member shall have one vote at General Meetings of the Club.

(h) Sailability Membership

Contact the Subscription Secretary for eligibility criteria.

(j) Paddle & Board Membership

Any person who fulfills the requirements for Full membership but wishes only to participate in other permitted watersports may as an alternative apply for Paddle & Board membership of the Club. No Paddle & Board member shall have the right to participate in dinghy or keelboat sailing, be a boat owner, vote at General Meetings of the Club, serve on the General Committee of the Club or hold office. Paddle & Board members may use the water at times agreed by the General Committee. Other permitted craft may not be used when dinghy or keelboat racing are taking place at the Club.

(k) Junior and Responsible Person Membership

This category of membership shall include one child (Junior) who has not attained the age of 18 on the first day of January during the year of their enrolment or membership and their

adult responsible person. No such responsible person shall have the right to sail, vote at General Meetings of the Club, serve on the General Committee of the Club or to hold office. Additional qualifying children (Juniors) can be added to the group on the payment of the appropriate Junior subscriptions.

(I) Temporary Membership

The Committee may grant Temporary membership to named persons belonging to those organisations permitted to sail on water used by the Club or who are participating in sailing events organised by the Club. Temporary membership, which will only be valid for the duration of the permit or event, may be terminated at any time should such a member misconduct themselves or fail to observe any of the Rules, Bye-Laws or Regulations of the Club or any specific conditions applying to an event. No Temporary member will be liable for a membership fee or have the right to vote at General meetings of the Club, serve on the General committee of the Club or to hold office.

5. Candidates for election to membership shall be elected by a simple majority vote of the Committee. The applicant shall submit the completed application form together with the appropriate remittance to the General Committee for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee. Candidates for membership shall have no privileges whatsoever in relation to the use of the Club or premises. On election the Club shall notify the member in writing and furnish them with a copy of the Rules. The existing membership shall be informed of the election of new members as soon as possible after they are elected. The Club Committee may refuse membership, or subject to Rule 13, remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal of membership may be made to the members at a General Meeting. In the event of an application for Membership being unsuccessful the New Members Secretary shall return all monies remitted.

6. (a) The entrance fee shall be such sum as the Annual General Meeting shall determine, and the rates of annual subscriptions shall also be determined by a simple majority at the Annual General Meeting. The current rate of entrance and subscription fee shall be displayed on the Club website. Membership subscriptions will be kept at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.

(b) (i) The Senior membership subscription shall be one-third the Full membership fee, to include the Senior member and their spouse/partner.

(ii) Paddle & Board membership subscription shall be one-half the Full membership fee, to include the Paddle & Board member only.

(c) Any new member elected before the 31st August in any one financial year will be liable to pay the full subscription for that year either in full or by regular payment according to the terms and conditions agreed by the General Committee.

Any new member elected after the 31st August in any one financial year will be liable to pay the full subscription for that year either in full or by regular payment according to the terms

and conditions agreed by the General Committee. This payment will also cover membership for the following year.

7. Financial year is to end on the 31st October in each year.

8. Subscriptions shall be due and payable after the Annual General Meeting or before the 31st day of March each year. Any alterations to subscription levels passed at an Annual General Meeting shall therefore take immediate effect. Payment may be made in full or alternatively by regular payments according to the terms and conditions agreed by the General Committee. Any member who wishes to pay using regular payments must have made the appropriate arrangements with the General Committee before the 31st day of March.

9. Any member who has not paid their subscription for the current year in full or defaults on a regular payment, shall not be entitled to the privileges of membership.

10. Any member desirous of resigning from the Club shall notify the Secretary in writing of their intention to resign, but such resignation shall not be effective until it has been accepted by the Secretary. Until such resignation is accepted the member shall continue to be liable for any annual subscription due and unpaid.

11. Any member having resigned and wishing to rejoin the Club may apply and be voted for in accordance with Rule 5 hereof.

12. Any member having resigned shall forthwith pay all sums of money owing by them to the Club.

13. To expel a member from the Club, notice shall be sent to the Secretary signed by 12 members, informing them of the circumstances giving rise to such notice. The Secretary shall then communicate with such member in order that they may have the opportunity of explaining their conduct or withdrawing from the Club. Such communication shall be addressed by the Secretary to the member in question by way of registered letter post. Having allowed the member in question twenty-one days in which to communicate any explanation of their conduct to the Secretary, the Secretary shall call a meeting of the Committee who are empowered to decide the question of expulsion. If a two-thirds majority of the members of the Committee present vote for their expulsion the member shall be expelled. Any member so expelled shall have the right to appeal to a special general meeting of the Club to be summoned within 21 days of their expulsion when a majority of two thirds of those present shall be required to confirm the expulsion. If the expulsion is not confirmed the member shall be reinstated. In all cases where the expulsion of a member is carried out as provided for in these Rules the member so expelled shall have no remedy against the Club or the Committee or any of the Officers individually and all subscriptions paid by such expelled member shall be forfeited.

C. OFFICERS, TRUSTEES & COMMITTEE

14. (a) The Officers of the Club shall be elected from eligible members, and will be termed:

Flag Officers: The Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore.

Senior Officers: President, Vice President, Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer.

Other Officers: Bosun, Subscription Secretary, Bar Manager, Chief Instructor, Training Centre Principal, New Members Secretary, Marketing Officer & Social Media Manager

The Commodore, Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore must be Full members and of the others not more than two may be eligible members who are not Full or Honorary members. Full, Associate & Honorary members are regarded as eligible. They will be elected at the Annual General Meeting, will retire annually and be eligible for re-election. The term of office of the Commodore shall not exceed three years. (b) Candidates for election as Flag Officers must have served on the General Committee for at least one year. Nominations for the position of senior or other officers (except President and Vice President) must be made in writing to the Secretary in the same manner as that detailed in Rule 17. For the nomination of members to serve on the committee, election will be by ballot as detailed in Rule 17.

The offices of President and Vice President are established as positions of honour, without specific duties, nominations for these two posts can only be made by the General Committee. Retiring Commodores and any person who has rendered special service to the Club shall be eligible for these titles.

15. The Trustees of the Club shall be elected by the Club at a General Meeting from among any Full, Family or Honorary members who are willing to be so appointed. A Trustee shall hold office for a maximum of ten years providing the Trustee remains a member of the Club or until death or they shall resign by notice in writing or unless removed from office by a resolution of the Club. The number of Trustees shall not be less than three. In the event of death, resignation, or removal from office of a Trustee, the Committee shall nominate a new Trustee in their place and shall as soon as possible thereafter take all lawful and practicable steps to procure the vesting of all Club property into the names of the Trustees as constituted after such a nomination. The property of the Club (other than cash which shall be under the control of the Treasurer) shall be vested in them on trust for the use and benefit of the Club. They shall deal with the property of the Club as directed by resolution of the Committee (of which an entry in the minute book shall be conclusive evidence) and they shall be indemnified against risk and expense out of the Club property.

All Challenge Trophies or other Article heretofore and hereafter presented to this Club shall, in the event of a dissolution of the Club, be returned to the Donors, if living and in the event of their decease, if claimed by their heirs, within six months of such dissolution

16. (a) The General Committee (hereinafter referred to as The Committee) shall consist of the Senior Officers and not less than three or more than six full members of the Club, who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. In addition, the retiring Commodore shall serve for one year immediately following their term of office as Commodore. The Club Trustees shall be ex-officio members of the committee. Other officers of the Club may stand for election to serve on the Committee as one of the Full Members. (b) The Committee shall

manage the affairs of the Club according to the Rules and shall cause the funds of the Club to be applied solely to the objects of the Club or for a benevolent or charitable purpose nominated by a General Meeting. In particular, the Committee shall ensure that the property and funds of the Club will not be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of members other than reasonably allowed by the rules and that all surplus income or profits are re-invested in the Club.

(c) The Committee upon a two-thirds majority of the members then present may make such Bye-Laws and Regulations as it shall from time to time think fit and shall cause the same to be exhibited on the Club website at least fourteen days before the date of implementation. Such Bye-Laws and Regulations shall remain in force until approved or set aside by a vote at a General Meeting of the Club.

(d) The Committee shall have power to decide on disputes arising under the Rules, Bye Laws and Regulations of the Club.

(e) Any member of the Committee other than a Senior Officer or Trustee of the Club absenting themselves from three consecutive meetings without reasonable cause shall cease to be a member of the Committee.

(f) The Committee shall meet at least once every two months and seven members shall form a quorum. Each Committee member present at a meeting shall have one vote. In the case of equality of votes the Commodore or Chairman of the meeting as the case may be, shall have a second or casting vote.

(g) The Committee may at any meeting appoint subcommittees to act on their behalf for any specific purpose. Sub-committees may be constituted of members of the Committee or other members. Senior Officers shall be ex-officio members of all subcommittees.

Any business done on behalf of the Club by any sub-committee in accordance with these terms of reference shall be reported to the next meeting of the Committee for ratification.

17. The election of full members to serve on the Committee shall take place in the following manner.

(a) Any two members of the Club shall be at liberty to nominate a member to serve on the Committee. The name of each member so nominated shall be sent in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days before the Annual General Meeting, such notice being accompanied by a letter from the candidate consenting to serve on the Committee if elected.

(b) A list of candidates' names shall be placed on the website at least 10 days before the Annual General Meeting. The balloting lists shall be prepared containing the names of the candidates only and each voting member present at the Annual General Meeting shall be entitled to vote for any number of such candidates not exceeding the number of vacancies. In case there shall not be a sufficient number of candidates nominated, the Committee shall fill up the remaining vacancies. If two or more candidates obtain an equal number of votes, the Committee shall select by lot the candidate or candidates to serve on the Committee.

(c) Of the members of the Committee other than the Senior Officers and Trustees, three shall retire each year at the Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible for re-election. Members shall if necessary for the purpose of creating vacancies on the Committee retire in order of seniority, and in case of equal seniority the order of retirement shall be determined by lot.

18. Any casual vacancy amongst the Senior Officers, other Officers or the Committee Members shall be filled by the Committee, and any member so chosen shall retire at the following Annual General Meeting. The service of any member so chosen to fill a casual vacancy on the Committee shall not be reckoned in calculating the seniority of such member if subsequently elected to serve on the Committee.

D. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

19. (a) The Senior Flag Officer present shall take the chair and be responsible for conducting the business of the Club at all meetings. In the absence of a Flag Officer the meeting shall appoint a chairman pro tempore.

(b) The Secretary shall keep the Minutes of meetings and conduct the general business and correspondence of the Club subject to the direction of the Committee. The Secretary shall keep records convening meetings and giving notice as provided for in these Rules.

(c) The Subscription Secretary shall collect the entrance fees and subscriptions and account to the Treasurer for the same.

E. MEETINGS

20. (a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held in any date in February of each year. At such meeting the Committee shall furnish a report to be read by the Secretary of the Proceedings of the Club during the previous year. The Treasurer shall present and report on the independently reviewed annual accounts. No item may be inserted in the notice convening the meeting, except that which the Committee may order, unless notice thereof be given in writing by a member entitled to vote to the Honorary Secretary at least forty-two days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.

The meeting shall also appoint the Officers and Committee for the following year as provided for in Rules 14, 16, 17 and 18 and shall be notified of the names of the existing Trustees and shall fix the amounts of the entrance fee and the rates of the annual subscription as provided in Rule 6 hereof. Finally, the meeting shall consider any other business.

(b) A special general meeting of the Club shall be convened by the Secretary whenever, so decided by the Committee or upon the request in writing to the Secretary by any five Full members of the Club who shall deposit the sum of £100 towards the cost of calling such meeting, and shall state to the Secretary the purpose for which it is desired that the meeting should be convened.

(c) 14 days notice of the Annual General Meeting and of any special general meeting shall be given in writing or by electronic means by the Secretary to the members. Such notice shall include an Agenda of matters to be discussed at the Meeting.

(d) At any General Meeting of the Club every member of the Club shall be entitled to be present and every Full and Honorary member shall be entitled to vote upon every question raised. In the case of equality of voting (except as provided in Clause 21 hereof) the Chairman of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote. (e) One-fifth of the Full and Honorary membership of the Club for the time being shall form a quorum at any General Meeting.

(f) Proxy voting shall not be permitted at General Meetings of the Club.

F. ALTERATION OF RULES

21. No repeal or alteration of or addition to these or future rules shall be made except at a General Meeting of the Club and unless notice of such intended repeal, alteration or addition shall be sent by the Secretary 14 days at least before such meeting to each member of the Club and unless three-quarters of the members present at such meeting and voting shall agree.

G. ADDITIONAL RULES

22. If any Club event or regatta shall be cancelled as a result of circumstances which in the opinion of the Committee are unavoidable then no liability shall attach to the Club or any of its members or officers individually in respect of any expenses or loss of fees or subscription incurred by any member as a result of such cancellation.

23. An electronic suggestions database shall be kept by the Secretary who shall enter all suggestions made to them in writing or email by members. Such suggestions shall be brought before the Committee at the next meeting.

24. (a) Only mono-hull centreboard dinghies and keelboats up to sixteen feet in length which have been approved, and in accordance with any conditions/restrictions specified, by the General Committee, will be granted a permit to berth and/or be used on the property of the Bolton Sailing Club, excepting that the committee upon a two thirds majority of members present may grant a temporary permit to berth and/or sail other craft. The temporary permit will not extend beyond the next AGM without obtaining the approval of a three-quarters majority of the members present. The term Craft above refers to any craft permitted by the lease of the water. A copy of the Temporary Permit to sail and/or berth showing its terms will be displayed on the Club's notice-board.

(b) With the written permission of the Committee, and in accordance with any specified conditions, stand-up paddleboards, canoes, kayaks and windsurfers (other permitted craft) may be used on the property of Bolton Sailing Club. Other permitted craft may not be used when dinghy or keelboat racing are taking place at the Club. Such permission and any specific conditions to be reviewed regularly.

(c) The term Craft above refers to any craft permitted by the lease of the water.

(d) The committee may allow the use of any craft for special events, such as raft races, training sessions, army or youth groups, etc.

(e) Class racing is organised for G.P. 14's and Supernovas.

(f) Class racing for other specified classes and handicap racing for boats within specified Portsmouth yardstick limits is also provided as detailed in the Bye-Laws and Regulations. (See Bye-Law 1).

25. Limitation of Boats:

The maximum number of boats or other permitted craft allowed at the Club shall be defined by the Committee and will depend on the available berthing space and other facilities existing at the time. The maximum number permitted in any one class may also be defined by the Committee as they deem necessary.

26. Waiting Lists:

If the maximum number of boats has been reached either in total or in any one class, the name of any member who applies to bring a boat shall be put on a waiting list. When a vacancy occurs, it will be offered to the person at the head of the list.

H. PURCHASE AND SUPPLY OF EXCISABLE GOODS

27. The Purchase for the Club of excisable goods and the supply of same upon Club premises shall be exclusively and solely under the control of the Committee, or of a special sub-committee appointed by the Committee.

28. Alcohol may only be sold for consumption on or off the Club premises to persons over the age of eighteen who are entitled to the use of the Club premises in pursuance of the Rules, Bye-Laws and Regulations for the time being in force. No Person under the age of eighteen may purchase or attempt to purchase alcohol within the Club premises.

Alcohol may only be consumed on the Club premises as permitted by the Club Premises Certificate and as directed by the General Committee.

29. By virtue of the provision of the Licensing Act 2003 alcohol may be sold by or on behalf of the Club for consumption on the premises to the following:

(i) Persons, not being members of the Club, who attend any social function organised by and/or under the authority of the General Committee of the Club.

(ii) Persons not being members of the Club who attend any social function organised by a member of the Club with the consent and under the authority of the General Committee.

30. Alcohol shall not be brought onto the Club premises without prior consent of a Flag Officer of the Club, or of the General Committee.

J. SCHOOL, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY GROUPS AND YOUTH CLUBS

31. The Committee of the Club is empowered in its discretion to accept or refuse the applications of any School, College, University Group or Youth Club to permit pupils of the School or students of the College or University Group or members of the Youth Club to sail on water used by the Club.

32. The Committee shall have power to make, amend and alter special Bye-Laws to be applicable to Schools and their pupils, Colleges and University Groups and their students and Youth Clubs and their members whose pupils, students and members are permitted to sail on the water used by the Club.

33. Pupils of Schools, students belonging to College and University Groups and members of Youth Clubs permitted to sail on water used by the Club:

(a) Shall thereby become Temporary members of the Club;

(b) Shall forthwith cease to enjoy the privileges of using facilities offered to them by the Club if: (i) payment due in respect of their permits is in arrears,

(ii) they misconduct themselves (of which misconduct the Committee of the Club shall be the sole judge), (iii) they fail to observe any of the Rules or Byelaws of the Club or any of the Special Byelaws or Rules applicable to pupils of Schools, students belonging to College or University Groups and members of Youth Clubs.

(c) Except when specially permitted by a Resolution of the Committee shall not be entitled to use or have access to the Clubhouse.

34. The Committee shall have power at any time to cancel existing permits given to the pupils, students or members of any particular School, College, University Group or Youth Club. The Secretary shall communicate with the pupils, students or members of any particular School, College, University Group or Youth Club in writing stating the reasons for the Committee's decision for the cancellation of the permit. Having allowed its representatives twenty-one days to communicate reasons why the permit should not be cancelled, a meeting of the Committee shall be convened to allow the representatives to appeal the decision. A majority of two thirds of the Committee members present shall be required to confirm the cancellation of the permit. If the cancellation is not confirmed, the permit shall be reinstated.

K. ABANDONED BOATS

35. If at any time berthing fees payable to the Club by any member or former member shall be three months or more in arrears:

(a) The Committee shall be entitled to move the boat to any other part of the premises without being liable for any loss of or damage to the boat howsoever caused.

(b) The Committee shall be entitled upon giving one month's notice in writing to the member or former member, at their last known address shown in the register of members to sell the boat and to deduct any monies due to the Club (whether by way of arrears of subscriptions or berthing fees or otherwise), from the net proceeds of sale before

accounting for the balance, (if any), to the member or former member. (c) Alternatively, any boat which in the opinion of the Committee cannot be sold may, upon such notice as aforesaid, be disposed of in any manner the Committee may think fit and the expenses recovered from the member or former member. Any arrears as aforesaid shall be deemed to be a debt owing to the Club by the member or former member. Further, the Club shall, at all times, have a lien over the members' or former members' boats parked on the Club's premises, grounds or Club moorings in respect of all monies due to the Club whether in respect of arrears of mooring fees or subscriptions or otherwise.

L. MODEL YACHTS

36. Radio-controlled model sailing yachts: Any Club member may sail radio controlled yachts not exceeding 50" in overall length. These yachts may not be sailed at times when organised racing is taking place. The operators must confine themselves to that part of the shore leased by the Club. Model yachts may not be left on the Club premises when not in use.

M. LIMITATIONS OF CLUB'S LIABILITY

37. Members of the Club, their guests and visitors, may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and impliedly accept that:

(a) The Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club.

(b) The Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of the use of Club premises, and any other facilities of the Club, or out of participation in any race organised by the Club whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the Trustees, Senior Officers, other Officers, Committee or servants of the Club.

N. POLICIES

38. The Health and Safety Policy and the Child Protection Policy are displayed on the Club's website. P. DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

39. If, upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club, there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed amongst the members of the Club. The Committee shall dispose of the net assets remaining to one or more of the following: (i) to another Club with similar sports purposes which is a charity and/or

(ii) to the sport's national governing body for use by them for related sports.

BYE-LAWS & REGULATIONS

1. (a) Junior Handicap racing for various dinghies is also provided. The age limits for helm and crew will be as defined under Junior subscriptions.

(b) Senior Handicap racing for mono-hull centreboard dinghies with an RYA Portsmouth yardstick of between 948 and 1190 is also provided.

(c) Keelboats should not be launched when there is no longer an island or when the water is below the spillway by more than 1.2 metres.

(d) Craft having been granted a temporary permit to sail by the committee and keelboats may only take part in Junior or Senior Racing as appropriate (see Rule 24) if permitted by the committee.

2. Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn at all times on the water, either in a vessel or on the jetty. Inflatable type buoyancy must be worn inflated. Wetsuits do not constitute adequate buoyancy equipment. All dinghies, keelboats and other permitted craft must be fitted with adequate buoyancy equipment. Wellington type boots are not recommended to be worn on the water.

3. All craft whilst either on the Club premises or sailing on the Club water shall be covered by a policy of insurance including third party and passenger liability to a minimum of £2,000,000. Model yachts must be covered by appropriate insurance.

4. The Club premises must be kept clean and tidy by the members using them.

5. Smoking is not allowed on the Club premises.

6. Dogs and other animals are not allowed upon the Club premises.

7. All members are expected in turn to undertake appropriate duties. This may involve acting as Officers of the Day at Club events, races or regattas, being responsible for the running of such events, etc. Racing and other sailing events shall not take place if there are less than three Officers of the Day actively involved in the duties and at least one fast safety boat is available and operational from the commencement to the conclusion of the event.

In the event of doubtful weather conditions the Officer of the Day (after consultation if necessary with any Flag Officer(s) present) shall decide whether or not any advertised Club event shall take place.

8. (a) Members are allowed to bring guests on to Club premises provided that: (i) Each guest shall be limited to six visits per year and may not sail on more than two race days. (ii) Both member and guest sign their names in the Visitor's Book, such signatures shall be evidence of the Visitor's compliance with the Rules of the Club.

This Bye-Law is not applicable to any guest under the age of eight years, but is applicable to spouses/partners not being Associate Members.

(b) Visitors who are members of another Sailing Club and who are temporarily residing in the district may be granted the use of the facilities of the Club for a period of 3 months at a fee of 25% the subscription of a Full member.

9. The following Regulations shall apply to persons under 18 years of age:

a) A parent, guardian or named responsible person must be responsible for all persons under 18 years at all times while they are on Club premises.

If a responsible person is used that person must be identified to the Club by the parent or guardian. Parents, guardians or any responsible person are warned that the Club is only able to provide safety boat cover during Club racing and formal training.

Even during Club racing or formal training the Club cannot accept responsibility for children, or any other persons, not engaged in racing or formal training.

b) If the person is aged 17 they can attend without a parent, guardian or named responsible person providing the parent, guardian or named responsible person has indicated they are content for the person to do so.

c) If the person is under 17 they must be accompanied by the parent, guardian or named responsible person at all times.

d) Junior members under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult whilst in a safety boat. They may only drive the boat if they hold the appropriate RYA Power Boat certificates.

e) The parent or guardian of a competent Junior aged 14 or over may apply in writing to the General Committee for permission to sail in a Senior fleet. If granted by the General Committee this permission will be reviewed periodically and may be revoked at any time. Juniors who have been given permission to sail in a Senior fleet may not then compete for any Junior prize.

f) No child under the age of 8 years shall be allowed in or upon any part of the Club premises unless accompanied by a parent or adult guardian who shall ensure that the child shall not approach the water's edge without wearing a suitable buoyancy aid.

10. The permit referred to under Rule 24 (Additional Rules) must be produced at any time if requested by any United Utilities representative.

11. No member shall use the address of the Club on any prospectus or advertisement or otherwise, as their published address for any business purpose, or habitually use the Club for such purpose.

12. Oared craft are permitted only for going aboard moored craft or providing for any accident.

13. Landing on the island or foreshore other than in the area designated by the Club for this purpose is not permitted except in an emergency.

14. No cleaning, painting, oiling or greasing or any other operation shall be carried out nearer than thirty feet from the water's edge.

15. Craft and other apparatus must be carefully and adequately cleaned before introduction into water.

16. Fishing is banned.

17. The flying of drones is prohibited.

18. The Club is not responsible if at any time sailing has to be suspended either by order of United Utilities or because of lack of water in the Reservoir.

19. Any moorings laid down shall conform to a standard pattern and be in such places as are approved by the Committee.

20. The safety of all craft on moorings or hauled out is the responsibility of their respective owners.

21. Road trailers when not in use are to be removed from the Club property. As an alternative, a disabled road trailer may be stored either on a member's own berth provided it does not inconvenience in any way members occupying adjacent berths or, on payment of a berthing fee, in an area on the dinghy park designated by the General committee. All road trailers left on the dinghy park must display prominently the name of the boat owner and the sail number of the boat. The Committee will dispose of any road trailers which are either not marked or stored in an approved way.