Breadalbane Cricket Club Constitution

1. Name

The name of the organisation shall be Breadalbane Cricket Club, hereinafter referred to as the 'Club'.

2. Objectives

The club is established to pursue the following objectives:

- a) To foster and promote the sport of cricket, hereinafter referred to as the 'Sport', at all levels within the community and within the Sport, providing opportunities for recreation, coaching and competition.
- b) The organisation, management, and development of the Sport for all members of the Club.
- c) Membership of appropriate leagues for the purpose of establishing regular competitive play.
- d) To provide playing facilities and any help to ensure the good maintenance of the grounds and buildings.
- e) Promoting and maintaining the highest standards of technical competence and safety in the Sport. To ensure a duty of care to all members of the Club by having child protection policy which is in line with Cricket Scotland's policy (CS) and is updated whenever new legislation or guidance requires.
- f) To ensure that all members, playing and non-playing, abide by the CS Code of Conduct.

3. Affiliation

The Club shall be affiliated to Cricket Scotland & the Strathmore & Perthshire Cricket Union.

4. Membership

All members are subject to the Constitution of the Club and the regulations of Cricket Scotland.

- a) Membership is open to all and no application for membership will be refused on anything other than reasonable grounds.
- b) 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, political or other opinion.
- c) Application for membership of the Club shall be by completion of a membership application form and by payment of the relevant subscription fees as determined by the Annual General Meeting of the club.

d) The Club has different categories of membership and subscription on a non-discriminatory and fair basis. Members shall be enrolled on one of the following categories:

Full Member

Midweek Member

Under 21/Student Member

Social Member

Junior Member

- e) All paid up members will have the right to vote at Annual General Meetings (AGM) or Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM).
- f) All members will be given access to an electronic version of the relevant Code of Conduct, a copy of the Club's Child Protection Policy and a copy of the Constitution.

5. Refusal, Suspension or Termination of Membership

a) Any member who fails to pay their fees by the date required shall forfeit their right to representation on the Management Committee and at general meetings and can be suspended from taking part in any event under the control of the club until such fees are paid.

Refusal

b) The Management Committee shall be entitled to refuse any application for membership on the grounds that such membership would be prejudicial to the objectives of the club as set out in Rule 2 of this constitution. The applicant must however be given the opportunity to be heard by the Management Committee prior to the final decision being made.

Suspension or Termination

- c) All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be lodged in writing with the Secretary.
- d) The Management Committee shall appoint a Disciplinary sub-committee (a maximum of five), who will meet to hear complaints within seven days of a complaint being lodged. Any member requested to attend a Disciplinary sub-committee shall be entitled to be accompanied by a friend or other representative and to call witnesses.
- e) The Disciplinary sub-committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action, including the termination of membership. The outcome of the disciplinary hearing shall be put in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the member against whom the complaint was made within seven days following the hearing.
- f) There shall be a right of appeal to the Management Committee against either the finding, the sanction imposed or both following disciplinary action being taken. The Management Committee shall appoint an Appeals sub-committee (a maximum of three), which shall not include members involved with the initial disciplinary hearing but may include non-members of the club.

- g) The Appeals sub-committee shall consider the appeal within ten days of the Secretary receiving the appeal. The individual submitting the appeal shall be entitled to be accompanied by a friend or other representative and to call witnesses.
- h) The decision of the Appeals sub-committee shall be final and binding on all parties.

6. General Meetings

- a) A quorum for a General Meeting shall be 8 members, of which at least 3 must be Management Committee members.
- b) Annual General Meeting

The AGM shall be held each year at such time and place as determined by the Management Committee, at approximately twelve-monthly intervals, but no more than fourteen months after the date of the previous AGM.

At each AGM the following business shall be conducted:

- i) Receive and confirm the minutes of the previous AGM.
- ii) Presentation of the Club's financial accounts for the year.
- iii) Presentation of Club's projected financial situation for the forthcoming year, and the setting of all fees.
- iv) Presentation of President's report.
- v) Election of officers to the Management Committee & club captains.
- vi) Any other business brought before the meeting which has been submitted in writing to the secretary not less than seven days prior to the AGM, and any other business deemed relevant by the chairperson

Notice for an AGM shall be a minimum of twenty-one days.

c) Extraordinary General Meetings

An EGM may be called upon the written demand of:

- i) 33% of the membership.
- ii) Two thirds majority of the Management Committee.

Notice for an EGM shall be of a minimum of fourteen days' notice and stating the business to be discussed.

7. Rules for General Meetings

a) A minimum of twenty-one days' notice in writing shall be given to all members, except in the event of an EGM where the notice shall be a minimum of fourteen days.

- b) The President will take the Chair. Should the President not be present, then it will fall to the Secretary, then the Treasurer. Should none of these be present, a current Management Committee member will be chosen to Chair the meeting.
- c) All members shall register with the Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.
- d) Each member shall have one vote.
- e) All votes shall be determined by a simple majority. In the event of a tied vote, the Chair may exercise a casting vote.
- f) The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings and record all proceedings and resolutions. If the Secretary must Chair (as per 7b), then they may ask someone to minute take for them. However, it shall still be the Secretary's responsibility to produce the minutes and relevant paperwork following the meeting.

8. Election of Officers to the Management Committee

- a) The members of the Management Committee shall be drawn from the membership, as defined in section 4 of this constitution.
- b) Candidates shall be elected by vote at the AGM and shall be members of the Management Committee from the conclusion of that AGM until the conclusion of the following AGM.
- c) All nominations of candidates for election shall: have the consent of the nominee; be in writing; be seconded; be received by the secretary not less than fourteen days before the AGM.
- d) Uncontested posts may be filled by nomination(s) and election at the AGM.
- e) The Secretary shall send all members a list of all nominations not less than seven days prior to the AGM.

9. Members of the Management Committee

- a) The Management Committee shall consist of seven members.
- b) The Management Committee shall include, but not restricted to, the following roles:

President

Club Secretary

Treasurer

Fixture Secretary

Club Captain

- c) Those on the Management Committee who do not hold a defined role can either hold a general post or a specific remit as decided by the Club's requirements at that time.
- d) Members of the Management Committee can hold more than one role, as long as there are still seven members on the Management Committee. For example, the President could also hold the role of Club Captain.

- e) All elected members of the Management Committee shall be entitled to one vote each at Management Committee Meetings, except the Chair of the meeting who may have the deciding vote in the event of a tie.
- f) The committee may co-opt any member to any unfilled post until the conclusion of the following AGM, providing that the number of co-opted members shall not exceed one third of the total number of persons serving on the committee at that time.
- g) The Management Committee may appoint any sub-committees it may deem necessary to deal with the matters of the club, until the conclusion of the following AGM. The proceedings of all such committees shall report to the Management Committee by a representative elected by that sub-committee.
- h) The committee may co-opt a person to assist the committee with a specialised role. However, this person will hold no voting rights.

10. Rules for The Management Committee

- a) The President will take the Chair for Management Committee Meetings. Should the President not be present, then it will fall to the Secretary, then the Treasurer. Should none of these be present, a current Management Committee member will be chosen to Chair the meeting.
- b) Fourteen days' notice of any meeting of the Management Committee shall be given by the Secretary, except when:
- i) The date of the meeting had been agreed at the previous management meeting, in which case seven days' notice shall be given.
- ii) In an emergency the Secretary may call a meeting at four days' notice.
- c) The quorum shall be four of those committee members entitled to vote, as listed at Rule 9.
- e) All votes shall be determined by a simple majority. In the event of a tied vote, the Chair may exercise a casting vote.

11. Finance

The Treasurer of the Club shall be responsible for the financial management and reporting of the Club and for providing a report on the financial position as required by the Committee.

- a) The income and property of the club, however derived, shall be applied solely towards the objectives of the club as set out in Section 2, of this constitution.
- b) The club shall have the power to raise money by means of yearly affiliation fees and match fees as determined by the Management Committee at the Annual General Meeting.
- c) All monies shall be lodged in a bank account in the name of the club.
- d) The President, Treasurer and Secretary shall be authorised signatories to sign cheques on behalf of the club, of which two signatories shall be needed.
- e) The financial year of the club shall run from 1st September to 31st August

12. Child Wellbeing and Protection Officers

- a) The Management Committee will be responsible for ensuring the Club has at least one Child Wellbeing and Protection Officer (CWPO) in place.
- b) Every effort should be made by the Management Committee to have both a male and female CWPO in place.
- c) The CWPO does not need to be a member of the club.
- d) The CWPO will have the right to attend General Meetings, their voting rights will depend on their member and Management Committee rights as outlined earlier in the constitution.

13. Amendments to the Constitution

Any proposed alterations to this Constitution may only be considered at an Annual or Extraordinary General Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposal. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a Member of the club and seconded by another Member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than two-thirds of those Members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

14. The Dissolution of The Club.

- a) Any resolution to dissolve the club may be passed at an AGM or EGM, provided that:
- i) the terms of the proposed resolution are received by the Secretary at least forty-two days before the meeting at which the resolution is to be brought forward, and that
- ii) at least twenty-eight days' notice of the proposed resolution shall be given in writing by the Secretary to all members, and that
- iii) at least one-third of the membership are present for voting upon the resolution, and that
- iii) such a resolution shall receive the assent of two thirds of those present and entitled to vote.
- b) If, upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club there remains, after the satisfaction of all the Club's debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall be given or transferred to some other organisation or organisations having objects (that is, aims and activities) similar to the objects of the Club by Resolution passed at a General Meeting at or before the time of the dissolution, and in so far as effect cannot be given to such provision then to some charitable objects.
- c) The responsibility for the winding up or dissolution of the Club will fall upon the standing Management Committee. Should the vote take place at an AGM where the Management Committee would be due to complete the term, then their term will extend to carry out the required responsibilities.

15. Declaration

It is hereby certified that this document represents a true and most up to date version of the Constitution of Breadalbane Cricket Club, as adopted at an Extraordinary General Meeting on 13/02/2023.

SIGNATURES

President - Glenn Douthwaite

Date

13 - 7 - 23.

Secretary - Andrew Smith

Date

