

TATTENHALL RUNNERS CONSTITUTION

1. Title

The club shall be known as: TATTENHALL RUNNERS

2. Objects

The objects of the Club are:

2.1 to promote community participation in amateur athletics, including running, with particular reference to the inhabitants of Tattenhall and its surrounding areas;

2.2 to provide coaching, competition and other services to support these activities;

2.3 to promote competition, and to organise teams as the Committee sees fit, in the following disciplines:

- a. cross-country running;
- b. fell, hill and trail running;
- c. road running.

3. Ethos

3.1 The Club is committed to ensuring that equity is incorporated across all aspects of its operations, activities and development. In doing so, the Club acknowledges and adopts the following Sport England definition of sports equity:

'Sports equity is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. It is about changing the culture and structure of sport to ensure it becomes equally accessible to everyone in society.'

3.2 The Club respects the rights, dignity and worth of every person and shall treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, sex, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion, sexual orientation, pregnancy/maternity, civil partnership/marriage and wider characteristics (e.g. socio-economic status).

3.3 The Club is committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from threat of intimidation, harassment and abuse.

3.4 All Members have a responsibility to oppose discriminatory behaviour and promote equality of opportunity.

3.5 The Club will deal with any incidence of discriminatory behaviour seriously according to the Club's disciplinary procedures.

4. Membership

4.1 Membership shall be open to all persons who are amateurs as defined by UK Athletics.

4.2 There shall be a minimum age entry of 18 years for membership of the Club.

4.3 Members will be required to complete the Tattenhall Runners membership application form on joining the club and to pay an annual subscription fee.

5. Management

5.1 The Management of the club shall be vested in a Committee which shall consist of: Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary (the "Officers"), together with additional members as deemed necessary by the Committee.

5.2. The Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and remain in office until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the following year. The Committee shall have the power to fill vacancies if and when they arise during the year. The Committee shall also have the power to co-opt members for particular projects and co-opted members shall have a Committee vote for so long as they remain co-opted.

5.3 The Committee shall hold meetings in order to co-ordinate and organise the objects of the club. The quorum for a Committee meeting will be 4.

6. Annual General Meeting

6.1 The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of March or April for the purpose of:

- a. receiving the Annual Report of the Chairman;
- b. receiving the Annual Report of the Treasurer;
- c. receiving the Annual Report of the Secretary;
- d. electing the Officers for the ensuing year; and
- e. considering any amendments to this Constitution of which due notice has been given to all members. Any proposed change to a Constitution Rule by a member must be received by the Chairman or Secretary at least 21 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting in order that all members shall have sufficient notice of the proposal.

6.2 The quorum for the Annual General Meeting will be 10% of club members.

6.3 At least 14 days' notice shall be given to members of the date, venue and agenda items for the Annual General Meeting. Each fully paid-up member present at the meeting shall have one vote.

7. Finances

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

7.2 The Treasurer will be responsible for the administration of the finances of the club and present the statement of accounts at the Annual General Meeting for the previous financial year with the club financial year ending on 31 December.

7.3 Any payments made from club funds should be approved by the Treasurer and one other authorised signatory, as approved by the Committee.

8. Extraordinary General Meeting

8.1 An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called by the Secretary or Chairman within one month of the receipt of a request signed by at least 15 members stating the purpose of the meeting. At least 14

days' notice shall be given to all fully paid-up members of the date, venue and purpose of an Extraordinary General Meeting. No other business shall be conducted at such a meeting.

9. Constitutional Amendments

9.1. No part of the Constitution may be altered, added to, or deleted except at an Annual General Meeting, or at an Extraordinary General Meeting called for that purpose, and then only by a two thirds majority of those present and voting.

10. Personal Risk

10.1 Members acknowledge and accept that playing or participating in sport of any kind can be dangerous and may result in injury and damage to property. Members and guests shall take personal responsibility for their own actions and play or participate in the Club's sporting activities at their own risk.

10.2 Subject to rule 10.3 below, the liability of the Club and its Officers to any Member is limited to the net assets of the Club.

10.3 Nothing in these Rules shall limit or exclude liability:

- a. for death or personal injury caused by negligence;
- b. for any loss or damage caused by criminal or fraudulent conduct; or
- c. for any other liability which cannot lawfully be limited or excluded.

11. Indemnity

Without prejudice to any other indemnity to which an Officer may otherwise be entitled, every Officer of the Club shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Club against any liability incurred by him or her in the proper discharge of his or her duties to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12. Declaration

The Club duly adopted these Rules as its governing document on 29th March 2024.

SIGNED

DATED

NAME

CLUB CHAIRMAN

SIGNED

DATED

NAME

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CLUB SECRETARY