



## **TITLE**

The title of the club shall be **KIPPAX AND DISTRICT HARRIERS**

## **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the club shall be:

- a) To encourage the practice and development of amateur athletics.
- b) To provide coaching for members and to organise competitions.
- c) To organise teams to represent the club in championships and leagues, and in such other competitions as the management committee shall decide.
- d) The club shall cater for:
  - I. Cross country running
  - II. Road running
  - III. Road and cross country relays
  - IV. Walking
  - V. Fell and hill running.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership shall be open to persons who are amateurs as defined by the British Athletics federation there shall be a minimum entry age of 7 years. Each applicant for membership must complete the official application form, and must be proposed, seconded and elected or otherwise at a properly convened meeting of the committee.

## **MANAGEMENT**

The management of the club shall be vested in a management committee, which shall consist of:

- Chairperson
- Honorary secretary
- Honorary treasurer

The above shall be officers of the club, together with a committee of 5 members, which shall include:

- A captain of the male section
- A captain of the female section

All the forgoing shall be elected at the annual general meeting and remain in office until the annual general meeting of the following year. The committee shall have the power to fill vacancies if and when they arise. The committee shall have the power to co-opt members for particular projects but co-opted members shall not have a committee vote.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The annual general meeting shall be held in the month of **January** for the purpose of:

- a) Receiving the annual report of the committee.
- b) Receiving the audited Statement of accounts and the balance sheet.
- c) Electing the officers and committee for the ensuing year.
- d) Electing the honorary auditors.
- e) Considering any amendment to the constitution rules 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 chairperson or honorary 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.
- f) Voting on annual membership fee.

At least 14 days notice shall be given to members to the date, venue, and agenda items for the annual general meeting. Each fully paid up member present at the meeting shall have one vote.

## **AFFILIATION**

The club shall seek to be affiliated to the following:

- North of England Athletic Association.
- Any such other bodies, as the management committee considers appropriate in order to carry out the objectives of the club.

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

The amount of the annual subscription shall be:

- Members under the age of 16 years Nil
- Members over the age of 16 Full Membership
- Unemployed members or those of pensionable age 50% of Full Membership
- Social Members 25% of Full Membership

The yearly subscription must accompany the application for membership and thereafter is due on the first day of January in each year.

## **NON-PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS**

The committee shall have the power to expel any member whose subscription, is twelve months in arrears. Providing that one months notice in writing has been sent to that member by registered or recorded delivery, at the members last known address, informing of the proposed action of the committee.

The name and address of any person expelled from the club shall be sent to the honorary secretary of the appropriate regional or national association who shall enter the name in a book called "The Suspension book" kept for the purpose. Every person whose name has been entered in the Suspension book shall be suspended from competing at any meeting or event held under federation rules. This will apply until the liability causing the expulsion, which shall not exceed one year's membership subscription, shall have been discharged.

## **RESIGNATIONS**

Any member wishing to resign must do so in writing addressed to the chairperson or honorary secretary. The resignation shall be considered by the committee within one calendar month of receipt and will be held as effective on the date of tendering. Resignations will not be accepted if the member is financially indebted to the club i.e. has not paid his or her subscription for the current year, and acceptance will be withheld until the debt has been discharged.

## **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

The honorary secretary or chairperson shall call an extraordinary general meeting within one month of the receipt of a requisition signed by at least 25% of the members stating the purpose of the meeting. At least 14 days shall be given to all fully paid members of the date, venue and the purpose of the extraordinary meeting. No other business shall be conducted at such a meeting.

## **CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS**

No constitution rules may be altered, added to, or deleted except at an annual general meeting, or at an extraordinary general meeting called for this purpose, and only by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

## DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

In the event of the club being dissolved, an independent auditor should be sought to confirm the total value of the club's assets and oversee the dissolution of the club.

All saleable assets should be sold and included in the total value of the club. On receipt of the final balance the funds shall be distributed amongst all existing fully paid up members based upon the number of continuous years membership.

The share entitlement of each individual member will be assessed as follows:

For each years membership:

- As a Full member you will receive – 1 share
- As a Retired member you will receive – ½ (half) share
- As a Social member you will receive – ¼ (quarter) share

Signed

Signed

Chairperson

Secretary

Date

Date