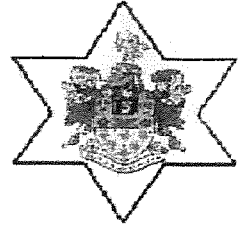


WARRINGTON ATHLETIC CLUB

CONSTITUTION AND RULES



1. The name of the club is "Warrington Athletic Club".
2. The objects of the Club are to promote, and develop Athletics in accordance with the Laws set by the Governing Bodies and to provide the Organisational, Administrative and Financial resources to enable the Objectives to be achieved.
3. The headquarters of the Club are Victoria Park, Warrington.
4. The registered Club colours are: Red vest with white piping with a white star on breast incorporating the Warrington Coat of Arms and black shorts.
5. The General Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Club and as many other members as is considered necessary in order to administer the running of the club. Positions on the Committee will be notified to the members in writing at the headquarters of the Club at least 31 days prior to the AGM. Ordinary Members will duly elect all positions on the General Committee at the AGM, with the exception of the Club President, which shall be Honorary and serve for a period of 5 years, and may be re-elected. The Committee will have the authority to co-opt further people onto the Committee as they consider appropriate.
6. The officers of the Club shall be the President, Chairman, General Secretary and Treasurer.
7. The Committee shall meet at intervals not exceeding six weeks upon being notified by the Secretary. The quorum at these meetings shall be six.
8. The Committee is empowered:
 - a) To fill any vacancies which may arise.
 - b) To co-opt members of the Committee.
 - c) To form sub-committees for special purposes, with responsibility to the Committee.
 - d) To deal with matters not in these rules.

The Chairman and Secretary shall be ex-officio members of all sub-committees, with the exception of the Disciplinary Committee.
9. The financial year shall end on 31st December and as soon after that date as possible, the Treasurer shall submit accounts to the Honorary Auditors.
10. All books concerning the Club as a whole, shall be kept in such a place as the Committee from time to time may decide and shall be opened at all reasonable times for inspection by every member, or person, having an interest in the funds of the Club, upon written request for such inspection being received by the Secretary. The income and the property of the Club shall be applied solely to its stated object. In the event of the dissolution of the Club, any income or property remaining shall not be distributed amongst the members, but revert to the property of Cheshire County Athletic Association for the benefits of athletics as they may decide. No trophy in the possession of the Club shall be disposed of without the consent of the donor or his heirs.
11. An Annual General Meeting shall be held before the end of February of each year and the business shall include:
 - a) Reports of past year's activities.
 - b) Presentation of the audited accounts.
 - c) Notices of motions.
 - d) Election of the Committee.
 - e) Election of two Honorary Auditors who shall not be members of the Committee.
12. A special General Meeting shall be called by the Secretary,
 - a) At the request of the Committee.
 - b) On written requisition of fifteen members.
13. A quorum at any General Meeting shall be twenty members, personally present and eligible to vote.

14. All motions to be put before the A.G.M. shall be presented in writing to the Secretary before 31st December.
15. Notice to all General Meetings and the business to be conducted shall be given in writing to all members at least fourteen days before each meeting.
16. Subject to rule 26 and 28 each member present at a General Meeting is entitled to vote.
17. All voting under rule 18 shall be on a simple majority, the Chairman of the meeting to have a casting vote.
18. No rule shall be made, or rescinded except at an A.G.M. or Special General Meeting called for that purpose, and any such amendment shall be subject to the concurrence of at least two thirds of the members present and eligible to vote.
19. All members of the Club shall pay such subscription as shall be determined at the A.G.M. All ages to be reckoned on 1st April in the subscription year. Once a member becomes ineligible to compete at Junior level (i.e. Under 19 on 31st December in the year of competition,) Senior Membership fees will apply. This also applies to Training Fees as determined by the Committee.
20. An application for membership of the Club must be made on the appropriate form and be accompanied by one year's subscription. The application can only be approved at a properly convened Committee Meeting.
21. An accepted applicant will be given a current membership card and a copy of the Club rules. All members must acquaint themselves with the hazards of athletics and their particular events, and must co-operate with Administrators, Officials and Coaches of the Club, and consider the safety of fellow athletes and others likely to be affected.
22. Life members shall be elected only at General Meetings and shall have all the privileges of ordinary members.
23. Vice Presidents shall be approached and accepted by the Committee.
24. Any member violating the rules and regulations of the Club or who, in the opinion of the Committee, is guilty of any misconduct, likely to bring the Club into disrepute, or whose subscription is in arrears, maybe expelled by the Club on recommendation of the Disciplinary Committee, in accordance with the Disciplinary Procedures.
25. A member wishing to resign must give notice to the same in writing to the Secretary no later than 24th March if he is to avoid liability for further years subscription.
26. Only first claim members who have paid their current subscriptions are entitled to
 - a) Vote at General Meetings.
 - b) Compete in Club Championships.
 2nd Claim members can compete for the Club in accordance with the Laws of the Governing Body.
27. Any person nominated for or elected to the General Committee must pay membership fees.
28. Second claim members can compete in Club handicap races and can represent in the Club in non-trophy matches only.
29. Any member under the age of 14 shall be ineligible.
 - a) To vote at any meeting of the Club.
 - b) For election to any Committee, except in the capacity of captain.
 Any Parent/Guardian, who is not a member of the Club, of any member under the age of 14, may vote at an AGM or EAGM. These votes having a 50% voting right of full members.
30. A.A.A. BLACKLIST RULE. The Committee shall have the power to expel any member whose subscription is six months in arrears, providing a months notice in writing shall have been sent to such member by a registered letter addressed to his or her last known address, informing him or her of the proposed action of the Committee.
31. The name and address of any person so expelled from the Club shall be forwarded to the Honorary Secretary of the Cheshire County.A.A. and North of England A. A. Every person whose name has been entered into the "The Black Book", kept for that purpose, shall be suspended from competing at any meeting held under A.A.A. laws until the liability causing his said expulsion, shall have been discharged.