

WEST DERBY HOCKEY CLUB

CONSTITUTION

1. The Club shall be called West Derby Hockey Club.
2. The general officers of the Club shall consist of the President, Chairman, Hon Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, (for Hon. Fixtures secretary, see Captains) Captains and Vice-Captains, who shall be elected annually, except the President who shall hold office for 2 years. Nominations duly seconded and in writing must be in the hands of the Hon. Secretary at least 4 days before the Annual General Meeting.
3. The Annual General Meeting shall be held during the week commencing the 2nd Monday in May and a minimum of 14 days clear notice shall be given to each member.
4. The Committee shall consist of the President, Chairman, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, Captains, Vice-Captains and up to 5 other members to be appointed at the Annual General Meeting. A quorum shall consist of 5 members present. The selection of the teams shall be the responsibility of a Selection Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman, Captains and Vice-Captains with the power to co-opt.
5. A statement of the Club accounts and a Balance Sheet for the past season, signed and duly audited by a person appointed at the A.G.M., shall be circulated with the notice to attend the A.G.M. The account books should be closed on the last day of the winter playing season and submitted for audit before presentation at the A.G.M.
6. The Chairman at all meetings should have a casting vote.
7. The Committee may, at any time, recruit any casual vacancies amongst the Officers of the Club, or Committee, so as to bring the number of Committee members up to the prescribed quota.
8. The Committee, at a meeting at which not less than 5 members shall be present, shall have the power to expel from the Club, any member who is found guilty of conduct which, in their opinion, renders them unfit to remain a member. Any member so dealt with shall have the right to appeal to a Special General Meeting called for that purpose.
9. A Special General Meeting may be called at the requisition of 10 full members of the Club or on the authority of the Committee, provided that 7 clear days notice shall be given to the Club members, clearly stating, date, time, place and purpose of such meeting.
10. Every application for admission to the Club must be proposed and seconded by 2 members and submitted to the Committee for consideration and approval. All new members shall receive a copy of the Club Constitution.
11. Junior members may be admitted to the Club and on attaining the age of 18 they shall become full members. Should a junior member attain the age of 18 after the A.G.M. they shall continue as such during the ensuing season. Junior members shall have an equal right with full members to be selected to play in

any of the Club's matches, may attend meetings and may vote on reaching the age of 16.

12. Any person may be elected as an Associate Member subject to the approval of the committee. Such members shall:
 - (a) be entitled to attend the A.G.M. but not vote
 - (b) have no right, title, interest or claim in any of the assets of the Club
 - (c) pay an annual subscription
13. Life members and Vice-Presidents shall be nominated by the Committee for acceptance by the A.G.M.
14. All members of an opposing Club may be elected temporary members of the Club on the day or days on which their respected Clubs play on the ground and be entitled to all the privileges of the Club, other than voting or introducing visitors or guests. It shall not be necessary to specify each such temporary member by name.
15. Annual subscription for full members, junior members and associate members shall be fixed at the A.G.M and shall be due from that date. Members then on Club books shall be considered as subscribing for the current year but any member may, on or previous to the day fixed for the A.G.M., give notice in writing to the Hon. Secretary of their intention to withdraw and therefore cease to be a member.
16. The annual subscription shall be paid not later than the 30th of September. If still unpaid by the 31st of October the Committee shall have the power to erase the name of the person concerned from the list of membership. The member will remain ineligible to play until paid up.
17. It shall be a condition of membership of the Club that the Annual Subscription shall be a debt due from the member of the club, payable to the Hon. Treasurer.
18. Any proposal by members to alter the Rules of the Club or add thereto must be in the hands of the Hon. Secretary, duly proposed and seconded, in writing not later than 21 days before the A.G.M. Amendments to proposals under discussion can be accepted at the A.G.M. A two thirds majority of members present at the A.G.M. shall be required to approve any change of rules.
19. The committee shall have the sole management of the Club property, full control over the club funds, making matches, choosing teams to play in such matches and shall determine any question which may arise on the interpretation of these rules or anything relative to the Club not provided for by them.
20. The present rules 1-20 shall be deemed to cover all membership of West Derby Hockey Club.