



Founded 1908

Quatt Cricket Club

Constitution 1989



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CONSTITUTION AND RULES 1989

Rule 1 NAME

The name of the club shall be QUATT CRICKET CLUB. The club colours shall be green and yellow.

Rule 2 OBJECT

The object of the club shall be to promote the game of Cricket and such other sports and pastimes as the Committee may decide from time to time for the benefit of the community.

Rule 3 CONSTITUTION AND COMMITTEE

Quatt Cricket Club will consist of a President, Vice Presidents, playing Members and non-playing Members.

The management of the club shall be vested in a Committee comprising the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary and Club Captain together with such other members as the Committee may from time to time determine. (Appendix 1) Four shall form a Quorum and the Chairman will have a casting vote as required.

The Committee is empowered to vary the composition of the Committee to be proportionate to membership from time to time.

The Committee is empowered to appoint Vice Presidents and Honorary Life Members whose appointment will follow distinguished service to the club.

The Committee is empowered to borrow such monies as may be considered necessary from time to time.

Rule 4 TRUSTEES

The Trustees of Quatt Cricket Club shall be The Chairman, The Honorary Secretary and The Honorary Treasurer for the time being (Appendix 2).

Rule 5 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held between November and February at a time specified in the clubhouse or such other venue as the Committee may determine.

The Notice of Meeting shall be posted on the Noticeboard in the clubhouse at least 21 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting together with any proposals for Changes of Rules.

Seven members present shall be considered a Quorum.

At this meeting Officers shall be elected. Nominations should be sent to the Hon. Secretary at least 7 days beforehand together with confirmation that the nominee is willing to stand. The Committee may make nominations at any time prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Voting shall be by Ballot and a simple majority will decide. The Chairman will have a casting vote as required.

Rule 6 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club shall be called by the Hon. Secretary at any time or upon the requisition of five or more members, in writing, who must state the object of calling the meeting.

21 days Notice of the meeting shall be given. All other arrangements for an Extraordinary General Meeting will be in accordance with those for an Annual General Meeting.

Rule 7 MEMBERSHIP AND SUBSCRIPTION

The Club operates an open membership policy and accepts all members irrespective of age, gender, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or ability.

Candidates for admission to membership of the Club will be approved by the Committee who shall have the power to refuse an application for membership if the person concerned would be likely to be contrary to the best interests of the sport or the good conduct and interests of the club. All candidates have the right to appeal any decision made by the Committee (see Rule 10).

Membership of Quatt Cricket Club will be by the payment of Subscription determined by the Annual General Meeting. Membership is from 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007.

Subscriptions shall become due on the 1st April each year or upon admission to the Club. Subscriptions not paid by 31st May each year shall be liable to a levy for late payment as determined by the Committee. The name of each member failing to pay the said subscription before 1st July shall be posted on the Clubhouse noticeboard. Such members shall not be considered for selection until the subscription, together with late payment levy, has been paid.

If any member allows the said subscription to remain unpaid after 1st September the Hon. Secretary shall give him notice of fact and if the amount is not paid within 14 days, membership will be forfeited.

Newly elected members shall not be considered for selection if their subscriptions have not been paid within 30 days.

All members should adhere to the ECB's Preamble – The Spirit of Cricket (Appendix 3). Members should also adhere to the rules and regulations set out by the Proactive Shropshire Premier Cricket League and the Women's Midlands League. Members should refer to various league handbooks distributed by the Hon. Secretary at the start of every season.

If a member does not adhere to these rules and regulations the Committee shall have the power to discipline the member or even terminate membership. All members have the right to appeal any decision made by the Committee (see Rule 10).

Rule 8 NON-PROFIT ORGANISATION

Any surplus income or gains are to be reinvested in the club. In no circumstances will surpluses be distributed to members or third parties.

Rule 9 APPLICATION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution all assets owned by the club will be applied for by another registered Community Amateur Sports Club. In no circumstances will assets be distributed to members or third parties.

Rule 10 RIGHT OF APPEAL

Any member has the right to appeal any decision by submitting an appeal in writing to the Trustees within 7 days of a decision. If an appeal is lodged it will be reviewed by the Appeals Committee. The composition of the Appeals Committee will be determined by the Trustees to ensure that the member lodging the appeal is given a fair hearing.

Appendix 1

Trustees and Committee Members for 2006

Trustees

Chairman: Paul Griffiths
Secretary: Kelly Evans
Treasurer: Adrian Evans

Committee

Vice Chairman: Gwyn Evans
Fixture Secretary: Adam Evans
Club Captain: Barry Jones
Assistant Treasurer: Craig Jones
Grant Co-ordinator: Bethan Williams
1st Team Captain: Adrian Evans
1st Team Coach: Roger Griffin
2nd Team Captain: Matthew Fleming
3rd Team Captain: Paul Griffiths
Ladies Captain: Vicky Bale
Midweek Captain: Nathan Hakeman / Ben Vale

Appendix 2

Responsibilities of trustees

Trustees:

- have ultimate responsibility for the work of the club
- must act in the best interests of the club
- take decisions about the future of the club
- ensure the organisation remains sustainable
- consider likely future challenges and prepare the club to face them
- ensure the club is working within the law
- be accountable for the organisation
- support the committee
- monitor to ensure the club is meeting objectives
- ensure the committee is working effectively and efficiently

Roles of Trustees

Chair:

- leads the management committee, ensuring it fulfils its responsibilities for the governance of the club
- sets the agenda and chairs committee meetings
- act as a figurehead for the club, representing it at functions, meetings, events and for publicity purposes
- if the organisation has paid staff it will be the chair's role, in conjunction with other trustees, to supervise the staff

Secretary:

- carries out the secretarial functions necessary to support the work of the committee
- liaises with the chair to put together the agenda for meetings
- takes accurate minutes of the meetings which form the legal record of the decisions taken by the organisation
- sends out copies of the minutes and agenda to other committee members
- deals with any written correspondence as requested by committee members
- passes on relevant written enquiries to the appropriate group member
- prepares papers and carries out the administration of the Annual General Meeting

Treasurer:

- prepares and presents regular financial reports to the committee
- maintains the financial records
- prepares financial records to support applications for funding
- ensures payment of expenses and acts as signatory for cheques

Appendix 3

The Preamble – The Spirit of Cricket

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action which is seen to abuse this spirit causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the captains.

1. There are two Laws which place the responsibility for the team's conduct firmly on the captain.

Responsibility of captains

The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws.

Player's conduct

In the event of a player failing to comply with instructions by an umpire, or criticising by word or action the decisions of an umpire, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the game into disrepute, the umpire concerned shall in the first place report the matter to the other umpire and to the player's captain, and instruct the latter to take action.

2. Fair and unfair play

According to the Laws the umpires are the sole judges of fair and unfair play.

The umpires may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the captain to take action where required.

3. The umpires are authorised to intervene in cases of:

- Time wasting
- Damaging the pitch
- Dangerous or unfair bowling
- Tampering with the ball
- Any other action that they consider to be unfair

4. The Spirit of the Game involves RESPECT for:

- Your opponents
- Your own captain and team
- The role of the umpires
- The game's traditional values

5. It is against the Spirit of the Game:

- To dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture
- To direct abusive language towards an opponent or umpire
- To indulge in cheating or any sharp practice, for instance:
 - (a) to appeal knowing that the batsman is not out
 - (b) to advance towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
 - (c) to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persistent clapping or unnecessary noise under the guise of enthusiasm and motivation of one's own side

6. Violence

There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play.

7. Players

Captains and umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Every player is expected to make an important contribution to this.

Proactive Shropshire Premier Cricket League

www.shropshirepl.play-cricket.com

Shropshire Cricket Leagues

<http://shropshiecl.play-cricket.com/home/home.asp>

Women's Midlands League

www.wml.play-cricket.com