



CLUB RULES

BARNES CRICKET CLUB

as at December 2021

1. Name

The Club shall be called the Barnes Cricket Club (hereafter called “the Club”) and the colours shall normally be Oxford Blue and White. The Club shall be affiliated to the England and Wales Cricket Board through the Middlesex Cricket Board.

2. Aims and Objectives

To foster, promote, and provide facilities for, the amateur sport of cricket at all levels in Barnes and surrounding areas, providing opportunities for recreation, coaching, competition and community participation.

To ensure that all members, playing and non-playing abide by the ECB Code of Conduct which incorporates the Spirit of Cricket and the Laws of Cricket.

To ensure a duty of care to all members of the Club by adopting and implementing the ECB ‘Safe Hands – Cricket’s Policy for Safeguarding Children’ and any future versions of the Policy.

To encourage all members to participate fully in the activities of the Club.

The Club shall adopt and implement both the ECBs One Game Strategy and the club Inclusion and Diversity Policy and any future versions of these documents

3. Officers, Captains and Committee

- a) All officers, captains and committee members shall be club members.
- b) The officers shall consist of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Fixtures Secretary, Club Captain, Head of Colts Section, Membership Secretary, Fund Raising Manager, Merchandising and Equipment Manager, and Club Safeguarding Officer, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- c) Captains and Vice Captains for 1st XI, 2nd XI, 3rd XI and 4th XI Saturday teams and for the 1st XI and 2nd XI Sunday teams shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- d) The Committee shall consist of the officers, all elected team captains and up to three members who may be co-opted at the discretion of the Committee.’
- e) The Committee will have due regard to the law on disability discrimination and child protection.

4. Meetings of Committee

The Committee shall normally meet monthly and five members shall form a quorum.

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5. Powers of Committee

- a) Each member of the Committee shall have one vote and in the event of the votes cast for and against a motion being equal the Chairman shall have an additional casting vote.
- b) The Committee shall manage the affairs of the Club in accordance with these rules. Co-opted members may be playing or Honorary Members. Sub-committees which may include playing or Honorary Members who are not members of the Committee may be formed. The Committee shall fill any office that falls vacant.
- c) The Committee shall nominate up to four of their number to represent the Club on the Board of Directors of Barnes Sports Club (hereinafter called the Sports Club).
- d) The Committee shall be empowered to decide all questions not provided for by these rules, but any addition to, or alteration of, the rules shall be subject to confirmation at the next Annual or Special General Meeting.
- e) The Committee may co-opt Members to fill any office that falls vacant. Co-opted Members may be Playing or Honorary Members.
- f) Sub-committees may be formed, which may include playing or Honorary Members who are not Members of the Committee.
- g) The committee may at any time remove an officer, captain or committee member, only for good cause, such as failure to discharge his / her duties or to represent the best interests of the club.

6. General Meetings

- a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held before December 1 each year for the purpose of approving the annual reports and accounts, for electing of officers and captains and for considering any other business.
- b) The Secretary may be instructed by the Committee at any time to call a Special General Meeting and he will do so within 14 days of a written request signed by not less than 10 Full Members.
- c) The subjects or subjects for discussion shall be stated in the notice convening a Special General Meeting and no other matters shall be considered at that meeting.
- d) At least seven days notice shall be given of General Meetings and 15 Full Members shall form a quorum.
- e) Each Full Member of the Club shall be entitled to one vote at a General Meetings.

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7. Members

a) Full Member

- i. Playing members including minors shall pay the appropriate subscriptions as determined by the Committee and the Sports Club and such subscriptions shall be payable by June 1 each year.
- ii. Members who have paid a Full Member subscription shall be elected to membership of the Sports Club and shall pay the appropriate subscription before enjoying the privileges of the Club.
- iii. Any playing member wishing to resign their membership must notify the secretary by April 1.

b) Junior Member

- i. Playing members under 18 years of age at January 1st of the current playing season may pay a Junior Member subscription as determined by the Committee, rather than a Full Member subscription.
- ii. Junior members who have paid an appropriate subscription shall receive all the privileges of playing members except that they may not propose, second or vote at a General Meeting.

c) Non Playing Member

Membership is open for non-players to be members of the Club, who, provided they pay a Full Member subscription, will enjoy all the privileges of a playing member.

A parent of a Junior Member may become a non-playing member of the Club and provided they have paid a Junior Member subscription on behalf of their child will enjoy all the privileges of a playing member except that they shall not be considered available for selection for matches, except in special circumstances approved by the Committee.

d) Honorary Member

- i. By resolution at the Annual General Meeting or a Committee meeting, individuals may be invited to become Honorary Members with the object of marking the appreciation of the Club for services rendered both on and off the field and generally to strengthen the membership.
- ii. No special subscriptions shall be payable but any donations made by Honorary Members shall form part of the funds of the Club.
- iii. Honorary Members shall receive all the privileges of playing members except that they shall not be considered available for selection for matches, except in special circumstances approved by the Committee and that they shall not propose or second or vote at a General Meeting although they may, if they so wish, speak on any subject before the meeting.

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e) Eligibility

Membership shall be open to anyone interested in the sport of cricket, irrespective of age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, nationality, creed, colour, social status, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs.

However, membership may be limited based on available facilities on a non discriminatory basis.

The Club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non discriminatory and fair basis. The Club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.

The Club has adopted and implemented the ECB Cricket Equity Policy and any future versions of this policy.

f) Removal of Membership, Discipline and Appeals

- i. The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause, such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute.
- ii. Any complaints regarding the behaviour of members, guests or volunteers should be lodged in writing with the Secretary.
- iii. Any person that is the subject of a written complaint or appeal shall be notified of the procedures to be followed by the relevant committee in reasonable time to prepare for any hearing.
- iv. The Committee shall appoint a disciplinary sub-committee ("Disciplinary SubCommittee") who will meet to hear complaints within 21 days of a complaint being lodged. Any person requested to attend a Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall be entitled to be accompanied by a friend or other representative and to call witnesses. The Disciplinary Sub-Committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action on behalf of the Committee, including the termination of membership or exclusion from Club premises.
- v. The outcome of the disciplinary hearing shall be put in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the person against whom the complaint was made within 14 days following the conclusion of the hearing(s).
- vi. There shall be a right of appeal within 14 days of receipt of the disciplinary decision or decision to refuse membership:
 - (a) against the Disciplinary Sub-Committee's findings or the sanction imposed or both; and
 - (b) against the Committee's refusal to admit a new member,in either case, the Committee shall appoint an appeals committee ("Appeals Committee"). The Appeals Committee shall have a maximum of three members

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which shall not include members involved with the initial disciplinary hearing but may include non-members of the Club. The Appeals Committee shall consider the appeal within 21 days of the lodging of the appeal. The individual who submitted the appeal shall be entitled to be accompanied by a friend or other representative and to call witnesses. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on all parties.

8. Selection Committee

The Selection Committee shall consist of the Chairman or Secretary of the Club, the Club Captain and the Captains of each team, one of whom should act as Chairman. They shall meet once each week during the cricket season to select the teams for matches.

The role of the Chairman will be to ensure the Selection Committee is selecting teams in line with the Club's selection policy.

9. Property and Funds

The property and funds of the Club cannot be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of Members, or third parties, other than as reasonably allowed by the Rules, and all surplus income or profits must be reinvested in the Club.

The Club may provide sporting and related social facilities, sporting equipment, coaching, courses, insurance cover, medical treatment, away-match expenses, post match refreshments and other ordinary benefits of Community Amateur Sports Clubs, as provided for in the Finance Act 2002.

The Club may also in connection with the sports purposes of the Club:

- a) sell and supply food, drink and related sports clothing and equipment;
- b) employ members (though not for playing) and remunerate them for providing goods and services, on fair terms set by the Committee without the person concerned being present;
- c) pay for reasonable hospitality for visiting teams and guests;
- d) indemnify the Committee and members acting properly in the course of the running of the Club against any liability incurred in the proper running of the Club (but only to the extent of its assets).

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10. Dissolution

The members may vote to wind up the Club if not less than three quarters of those present, and able, to vote support that proposal at a properly convened General Meeting.

The Committee will then be responsible for the orderly winding up of the Club's affairs.

After settling all liabilities of the Club, the Committee shall dispose of the remaining net assets of the Club to one or more of the following:

- a) to another Club with similar sports purposes which is a registered charity and/or,
- b) to another Club with similar sports purposes which is a registered CASC and/or,
- c) to the Sport's governing body for use by them for related community sports.

11. Alteration to Rules

Except as otherwise provided, any alterations or additions to these Rules shall only be made at an Annual or Special General Meeting and notice in writing of such alterations and additions must be received by the Secretary at least 14 days before such Meeting so that they may be included in the notice convening the meeting.

12. Rules of Barnes Sports Club

The Rules of the Sports Club shall be observed by all members of the Club.

Interpretation of all the Rules shall be consistent with the statutory requirements for Community Amateur Sports Clubs ("CASCs") as first provided for by the Finance Act 2002.

Adopted at AGM xx December 2021

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