

# Clwb Rhwyfo'r Borth Rowing Club



## 1 Name

The organisation shall be called **Clwb Rhwyfo'r Borth Rowing Club** (hereinafter referred to as the Club).

## 2 Membership

Applications for membership will be accepted from anyone over the age of 11 years. The age restriction on membership is due entirely to safety considerations. There is no upper age limit.

The Club does not restriction membership applications on the basis of physical disability, mental disability, gender, ethnicity, sexual preference, political or religious beliefs.

## 3 Objectives

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- To promote, encourage and assist participation in rowing.
- To participate in rowing events organised by the Welsh Sea Rowing Association (WSRA) and other rowing organisations that may invite participation of the class of boats that the Club maintains.
- To coach all beginners using Qualified British Rowing Level 2 Coaches.

## 4 Affiliation

The Club shall be affiliated to the Welsh Sea Rowing Association ("WSRA").

The Club thereby binds itself and its members to observe the rules of the WSRA.

Two nominated representatives from the club may attend WSRA meetings. Other members are entitled to attend these meetings, but are not able to vote.

## 5 Officers

The Officers of the Club shall consist of at least

- Chairman
- Captain
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Welfare Officer
- Safety Officer

The Officers shall be elected annually at the annual general meeting of the Club.

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## 6 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall take place in the first two months of the year.

The AGM will

- Elect the Club's Officers for the coming year.
- Agree the financial statement for the 12 months to the end of the previous calendar year.
- Set the annual Membership fees, payable from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March each year, which includes membership of the WSRA and personal insurance.
- Proposals for changes in the rules or in the constitution shall be notified to the members of the Club by the secretary at least 10 days before the AGM at which they are to be considered. Changes to the constitution shall be approved by a two-thirds majority of the meeting. Such rules and regulations shall be binding on club members.
- The person in the Chair shall have a casting vote in addition to a vote he/she may have as a member.

## 7 General Meetings

The Club shall be managed by general meetings of Club Members. A minimum of five voting members shall form a quorum at general meetings.

Voting shall be by show of hands unless the Chair shall decide otherwise and each member shall have one vote. The person in the Chair shall have a casting vote in addition to a vote he/she may have as a member.

A general meeting shall be advertised to all members at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

No person shall be allowed to row or vote at general meetings who is in arrears of subscription or has been suspended.

## 8 Suspension and Removal

Members may be suspended by the Captain of the Club for:

- Failure to abide by the rules and regulations of the Club.
- Failure to pay due subscriptions.
- Behaving in an unsafe manner during the Club's rowing activities.
- Abusing, intimidating, harassing and/or bullying other members of the Club.

Any suspension of a member will be discussed at the Club's next general meeting and will be approved or rejected by a majority vote of the members present.

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Any member who is suspended may appeal at a Club general meeting.

The Club will not condone any incidence of intimidation, harassment, bullying, or criminal activity by a member within the environs of the Club.

## 9 Finance and Control of Expenditure

All monies raised by or on behalf of the Club shall be applied to further the objects of the Club and for no other purpose.

The Treasurer is responsible for the finances of the Club and the financial year shall end on 31<sup>st</sup> December in each year.

The funds of the Club shall be deposited at a bank or building society as decided by a general meeting and in an account in the name of the Club.

All cheques drawn on an account in the name of the Club shall be signed by any two of the signatories.

The Club's Officers shall appoint a person to audit the accounts.

In addition to any duties and powers contained in this constitution the General Meeting shall have the following powers:

- To borrow funds for the Club on such terms or security as it deems fit and to purchase, hire, lease or sell equipment and property on behalf of the Club
- To reimburse the reasonable expenses of the members incurred in carrying out the business of the Club, provided such payments are declared in the annual accounts presented to the Annual General Meeting

## 10 Dissolution

The Club shall be dissolved upon a resolution being passed by a majority of two-thirds of those voting at a Special General Meeting convened for that purpose, 21 days notice of which shall have been sent to all members and must be displayed in notice boards and meeting places in the villages within the Club's catchment area.

Upon dissolution the Officers shall be empowered to dispose of the assets of the Club including cash, investments and equipment, to other league clubs having similar objects to the Club, as agreed at the Special General Meeting.

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## 11 Disputes

The members shall determine, at a general meeting, any dispute arising out of or not covered by this constitution or the rules of the Club.

## 12 Adoption of Constitution

This constitution was adopted on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011 by the persons whose signatures appear at the bottom of this document.

Signed

Adoption of Constitution 19th Jan, 2011.

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