

# CONSTITUTION CREWE JUDO CLUB



(updated April 2023)

## 1 TITLE

- 1.1 The Club shall be called Crewe Judo Club, hereafter to be referred to as "the Club" and shall be affiliated to the British Judo Council (BJC) Governing Body.

## 2 OBJECTS

- 2.1 To foster and promote the sport(s) of Judo at all levels, providing opportunities for recreation and competition.

## 3 MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Membership of the Club shall be open to any person, regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non-discriminatory basis.
- 3.2 There shall be THREE classes of membership available. Subscriptions are on a non discriminatory and fair basis and will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.
- These are:
- 3.2.1 Individual Adult Membership (16 and over)  
3.2.2 Individual Junior Membership (Under 16 years of age)  
3.2.3 Volunteer Membership (Non participant)
- 3.3 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. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the Club Management Committee.

## 4 NON-PROFIT MAKING

- 4.1 All surplus income or profits are re-invested in the club. No surplus or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.

## 5 OFFICERS

- 5.1 The Officers of the Club shall be as follows:

Chairperson	}	
Secretary	}-	Executive Officers
Treasurer	}	

## **6 ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

- 6.1 All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, from, and by, the valid members of the club on the basis of a single vote per member.
- 6.2 Parents of members under the age of 16 shall be entitled to cast a vote on their child's or children's behalf. They will be entitled to a single vote, regardless of how many children they have.
- 6.3 All candidates put forward for election must be an Instructor, Adult Member or Volunteer Member of the club.
- 6.4 Any Non-Elected officer positions, Chairperson, Vice-chairperson or Assistant Treasurer, vacated before the AGM shall be filled at the AGM. The current committee must approve candidates for nomination who may then be elected by valid members of the club on the basis of one vote, one member.

## **7 GENERAL COMMITTEE**

- 7.1 The affairs of the Club shall be controlled by a General Committee comprising of the Executive Officers of the Club and 5 other Members elected from, and by, the Full Members of the Club. The General Committee shall meet at agreed intervals and not less than four times per year.
- 7.2 The duties of the General Committee shall be:
  - 7.2.1 To control the affairs of the Club on behalf of the Members
  - 7.2.2 To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the Club through the Treasurer. These should be available for reasonable inspection by Members and where possible, should be audited before every Annual General Meeting.

The Club shall maintain a bank current account and the following Officers shall be authorised to sign Club cheques: Club Chairman plus any ONE from Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary.
  - 7.2.3 To co-opt additional members of the Committee as the Committee feels this is necessary. Co-opted members shall not be entitled to a vote on the Committee.
  - 7.2.4 To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes, the Chairperson shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

## **8 GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 8.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held not later than the end of November each year. 14 clear days written notice shall be given to Members of the Annual General Meeting by circulating a copy of the notice to every member at their home address and posting the notice on the Club notice board. Members must advise the Secretary in writing of any business to be moved at the Annual General Meeting at least 7 days before a meeting. The Secretary shall circulate or give notice of the agenda for the meeting to Members not less than 7 days before the meeting.
- 8.2 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be to:
  - 8.2.1 Confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any General Meetings held since the last Annual General Meeting.
  - 8.2.2 Receive the audited accounts for the year from the Treasurer.
  - 8.2.3 Receive the annual report of the Committee from the Secretary.
- 8.3 Special General Meetings may be convened by the General Committee or on receipt by the Secretary of a request in writing from not less than 4 Full Members of the Club. At least 7 days notice of the meeting shall be given.
- 8.4 Nomination of candidates for election of Officers shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days in advance of the Annual General Meeting date. Nominations can only be made by Full Members and must be seconded by another Full Member.
- 8.5 At all General Meetings, the chair will be taken by the Chairperson or, in their absence, by a deputy appointed by the Club or by Full Members attending the meeting.
- 8.6 Decisions made at a General Meeting shall be by a simple majority of votes from those Full Members attending the meeting. In the event of equal votes, the Chairperson shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.
- 8.7 The Executive Committee shall meet at agreed intervals, but not less than four times per year. A quorum for a General Meeting shall be four. When less than 4 committee members are in attendance after 15 minutes from the published start time, then the number in attendance, if greater than one, shall be a quorum.
- 8.8 Each Full Member of the Club shall be entitled to one vote at General Meetings.

## **9 ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

- 9.1 Any proposed alterations to the Club Constitution may only be considered at an Annual or Special General Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposal. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a Full Member of the Club and seconded by another Full Member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than two-thirds of those Full Members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

**10 DISSOLUTION**

- 10.1 If at any General Meeting of the Club, a resolution be passed calling for the dissolution of the Club, the Secretary shall immediately convene a Special General Meeting of the Club to be held not less than one month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.
  
- 10.2 If at that Special General Meeting, the resolution is carried by at least two-thirds of the Full Members present at the meeting, the General Committee shall thereupon, or at such date as shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realise the assets of the Club and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Club.
  
- 10.3 After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Club, the remaining assets shall not be paid or distributed amongst the Full Members of the Club, but shall be given or transferred to another registered BJC/BJA club, charity or the sports governing body (BJC).

**Signed:..... Chairperson**

**Date:.....**

**Signed:..... Secretary**

**Date:.....**



