

## **OVERTON HARRIERS & ATHLETIC CLUB - CLUB RULES**

- 1) The Name of the Club is Overton Harriers & Athletic Club
- 2) The Headquarters of the Club is The Recreation Centre Bridge Street Overton Hampshire.
- 3) The object of the Club is the promotion of Amateur Athletics.

4) The Management of the Club is vested in a Committee consisting of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Men's Captain, Ladies Captain, plus six other members. All Committee members must be elected annually. Two thirds of the Committee form a quorum. The Committee has the power to fill any vacancy that may arise.

The Committee may nominate suitable members of the Club for election as Life Vice Presidents at the Annual General Meeting. Upon election Life Vice Presidents cease to be liable for annual subscriptions but continue to enjoy all the rights of fully paid members of the Club. Life Vice Presidents are ex officio members of the Club.

5) Membership of the Club is confirmed to Amateurs as defined by 'An Amateur is a person who as defined by UK Athletics as a person who is eligible to compete under the rules of UKA'.

A candidate for membership must apply in writing on a form provided for the purpose, and be proposed by one member and seconded by another member, and elected by ballot at the next ensuing Committee meeting. They must ensure they are fully subscribed and paid up members of Overton Recreation Centre prior to being proposed and seconded.

Anyone who is not a fully paid up member of the Club will not be allowed use of the Club facilities after the persons first three visits to the Club.

A member intending to withdraw from the Club shall give notice in writing to the honorary Secretary, and their membership terminates on the date of that notice unless they are financially indebted to the Club, in which case the Committee may withhold acceptance of the resignation until they have discharged their liability. A member not having tendered their resignation prior to 1<sup>st</sup> May shall be liable for the ensuing year's subscription.

6) Only paid up full members (first claim) of the club shall be entitled to hold club records or be awarded any trophy or prize in official club competitions. Any member setting a club record performance must have been a member of the club for for 7 days prior to the performance for the record to be ratified by the Committee.

7) Members must be fully paid up, first claim, members to be entitled to a club place in any ballot for the London Marathon entries, for at least six months prior to any ballot. Members may only enter a ballot if they can provide proof of a rejection slip for the current year's London Marathon ballot and have not been awarded a club place for at least three years. If there are more club places than members who have submitted a rejection slip, then allocating the remaining places will be at the Committee's sole discretion.

8) The annual subscription of the Club is £40 (or £10 for members under the age of eighteen years of age). Family membership is £80 (two paying seniors - all children under eighteen free). These payable on election and

subsequently payable on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May each year. Second claim members will pay 50% of the annual subscription. The Committee has the right to vary subscription rates following notification of the Club members at the AGM.

If the election date of a member to the Club occurs after 31<sup>st</sup> December but before 1<sup>st</sup> May of the following year, then the subscription due on election will also cover the twelve months following 1<sup>st</sup> May of the year of election.

9) The Committee shall have the power to expel any member whose subscription is twelve months in arrears provided a months notice in writing shall have been sent to such a member by a registered or recorded letter addressed to their last known address, informing them of the proposed action of the Committee.

The name and address of the person so expelled from the Club in the Southern District shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary of the appropriate Regional or National Association who shall enter the name in a book (known as the suspension book) kept for that purpose. Every person whose name has been so entered in the suspension book shall be suspended from competing at any meeting under UKA Rules until the liability causing the said expulsion, which shall not exceed one years subscription, shall have been discharged.

No member whose subscription is in arrears is eligible to take part in any competition promoted by the Club.

10) General Meeting shall be held during the month of April in every year to receive the Committee's Report and Financial Statement, elect Officers and Committee and deal with any other matters specified on the Agenda. The Honorary Secretary must give every member 21 days notice of the meeting, and notice of any business which it is desired to place on the agenda must be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

Club members under 16 years of age shall not be entitled to propose or second any notion or cast a vote at the Annual General Meeting nor stand for the Committee.

11) A special General Meeting must be called by the Honorary Secretary within 14 days of the receipt of the requisition in writing signed by Members (ten) of the Club, stating the Business to be brought before such a meeting.

12) No alteration or addition may be made to the rules except by an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting called for the purpose. Notice of any proposed amendment(s) must be given as provided in rules 10 & 11.

13) The Honorary Secretary shall give at least 7 days notice to every member, of, the time, and place of any General Meeting and the Business to be dealt with, and no other business shall be dealt with at any such meeting.

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