

# OLD SALTLEIANS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED (“THE CLUB”)

## RULES

These rules of the Club are made pursuant to Article 2.1.11 and Article 46 of the Club’s Articles of Association. The terms used shall have the same meaning as in the Articles of Association. Where there is any inconsistency between these Rules and the Articles of Association, the provisions of the Articles of Association shall prevail.

### 1. Membership

The Club consists of Voting Members and Non-Voting Members.

### 2. Voting Members

The Voting Members shall be:

- (i) individuals who participate or participated in playing rugby union (whether competitively or not) for or at the Club and who are over 18 years old.
- (ii) coaches and/or officials who represent or represented the Club in that capacity.
- (iii) present or former elected administrators, who have suitable qualities to promote the objects of the Club.

Those described in i), ii) & iii) above shall have served a minimum of twelve months as an Associate Member and shall be known as “Full Members” and who are admitted to the Club by the Board upon application in accordance with the Articles;

- (iv) those described in i), ii) & iii) above may be invited by the Board to become a Vice President; and
- (v) individuals who have been elected as Life Members of the Club in accordance with Article 30.2.5.

### 3. Non-Voting Members

The Non-Voting Members shall be:

- (i) individuals who participate in playing rugby union (whether competitively or not) for or at the Club and who are under the age of 18 and who are admitted to the Club by the Board upon application in accordance with the Articles (“Youth Members”);

- (ii) individuals who are taking part in ancillary activities in the Clubhouse or Grounds which the Board may from time to time approve (“Social Members”); and
- (iii) individuals who wish to join the Club and participate in the primary Objects of the Club (“Associate Member”). Individuals must apply to the Board and upon acceptance serve a minimum of twelve months before being eligible to apply for Full Membership. There is no automatic move from Associate to Full membership.

#### **4. Rights and Privileges of members**

- 4.1 Voting Members are entitled (under the Articles of Association) to receive notice of, attend and vote at general meetings of the Club (either in person or through his proxy); propose and second candidates for election; receive all Club publications; and to such other membership rights as the Club in general meeting shall from time to time determine.
- 4.2 Non-Voting Members are entitled to receive all Club publications and such other membership rights as the Club in general meeting shall from time to time determine. They are not entitled to receive notice of, attend and vote at general meetings of the Club or propose and second candidates for election.
- 4.3 Voting Members and Vice Presidents are eligible to apply to the Club for International Tickets.

#### **5. Entrance Fee**

There shall be such entrance fee for members as the Board may from time to time resolve in accordance with the Articles.

#### **6. Subscriptions**

- (a) The annual subscription payable by members of the Club, subject to alteration as provided later in this rule, shall be set by the Board from time to time in accordance with the Articles.
- (b) The subscription year shall be from 1 September to 31 August inclusive in each year.
- (c) Members admitted at any time during the year shall pay the full annual subscription/such proportion of the annual subscription as apportioned to represent the number of full months remaining in the subscription year.
- (d) In the event that a member’s membership is terminated for any reason, no refund of a subscription or entrance fee shall be payable unless the Board decides otherwise.

#### **7. Expulsion of Members**

The Board has power under the Articles to expel a member in accordance with Article 29.

## **8. Rules concerning provision of alcohol on the Club Premises**

- 8.1 Purchase for the Club and supply by the Club of intoxicating liquor must be in the absolute discretion of the Management Committee (***provided these are all elected by the Members and over 18***). The day-to-day matters will be dealt with by a sub-committee. This sub-committee shall comprise of the Treasurer, the Secretary together with any duly appointed Bar Manager.
- 8.2 If any member of the sub-committee for any reason ceases to be a Member, he automatically ceases to be a member of the sub-committee, and another Member must be elected by the Management Committee in his place.
- 8.3 The sub-committee must not in any way be restricted in freedom of purchase.
- 8.4 No one may at any time receive at the expense of the Club or any Member any commission, percentage or similar payment on or with reference to purchases of intoxicating liquor by the Club.
- 8.5 No one may directly or indirectly derive any pecuniary benefit from the supply of intoxicating liquor by or on behalf of the Club to Members or guests apart from any benefit accruing to the Club as a whole and apart also from any benefit which a person derives indirectly by reason of the supply giving rise to or contributing to a general gain from the carrying on of the Club.

## **9. Guests**

- 9.1 Any Member may introduce guests to the Club, and any player, coach, other team representative, match official or spectator attending the Club's premises (by invitation of the Club) who is not a Member shall be a guest of the Management Committee, provided that no one whose application for membership has been declined or who has been expelled from the Club may be introduced as a guest.
- 9.2 The exception to this shall be the members of visiting teams. The Club extends an invitation to any player, coach, other team representative, match official or spectator attending the Club's premises for the purpose of playing or watching sport at the Club.

## **10. Opening of Club premises (compliance to planning conditions)**

- 10.1 The clubhouse shall only be open between 0600 and 2300 hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive; 0900 and 2300 hours on Saturdays and between 0900 and 1700 hours on Sundays.

10.2 There shall be no use of any of the playing and training pitches before 0900 hours and after 2200 hours on any day.

10.3 The lights around pitch 2 shall only be used on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings between 1800 and 2100 hours during the period commencing 1 September and ending on 30 April.

#### **11. Permitted hours**

The permitted hours for the supply of intoxicating liquor and provision of regulated entertainment shall be as permitted by the Club's 'Club Premises Certificate'.

#### **12. Club Colours**

The Club colours shall be predominately red and yellow horizontal bar shirts; navy shorts; red and yellow horizontal bar socks.

#### **13. Club Motto**

The Club Motto is "Spectemur Agendo". (Let us be judged by our actions).

#### **14. Management Committee**

14.1 The purpose of the Management Committee is:

- (a) to represent the members in making recommendations to the Board;
- (b) to represent particular aspects of the running and development of the Club;
- (c) to uphold the Club policies, rules, ethos and values;
- (d) to represent the Club in the community and the sport; and
- (e) to support the Board.

14.2 The Management Committee shall consist of:

Chairman\*

Treasurer\*

Secretary\*

Vice Chairman

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Youth Section Representative (to be nominated by the Youth Section. The Nominated person must be a Voting Member of the Club)

Women's Section Representative (to be nominated by Women's Section. The Nominated person must be a Voting Member of the Club)

Assistant Treasurer

Assistant Secretary

Club Captain

Chair of Rugby

Safeguarding Officer (to be nominated by the Youth Section and must have current CRB clearance).

Positions marked with \* will automatically hold the position of Director.

The Committee will have the power to fill any vacancies should they arise and to co-opt members should they feel it appropriate. A person co-opted shall be entitled to vote at a meeting of the Management Committee. A quorum of the Committee shall be 5 members.

## **15. Playing & Selection Sub-Committee**

15.1 Playing & Selection Sub-Committee shall consist of Chair of Rugby, all team captains and/or vice captains, Club Coach, Director of Rugby and Fixtures Secretary.

15.2 Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall consist of Club Chairman, Chair of Rugby, Club Captain and the captain or vice captain of the team in which an incident occurred. For nonplaying issues, the latter will be replaced by a member of the Management Committee. A meeting should be convened at the earliest opportunity following the incident. This Sub-Committee will have the authority to impose such penalties as it deems appropriate and pending any penalties imposed by the Constituent Body or the RFU. Any appeal against the penalties imposed by the Sub-Committee must be in writing.

## **16. Club Coach**

The Club Coach will be appointed or removed by the Management Committee. The Management Committee may negotiate a reasonable financial reward for the services of the Coach.

## **18. Interpretation of the Rules**

The interpretation of the rules shall be the prerogative of the Board.

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