

CLUB RULES (CONSTITUTION)

1. NAME

The Club shall be called "Sandown Park Ski Racing Club" (SPSRC) and shall be affiliated to the British Ski Federation through Membership of Snowsport England and British Alpine Ski Racing Rules.

2. OBJECTIVES

The Club's objectives shall be:-

- a. To encourage and develop a keen interest in ski racing.
- b. To develop racing techniques and expertise to the highest possible level.
- c. To enter home and away ski racing events and to provide a team or teams of such standard as to improve the competitiveness.
- d. To show the sport to be deserving of as much public support and interest as possible.
- e. To provide such other social and recreational pursuits as may be deemed desirable by the Management Committee.

3. OFFICERS

The Officers shall consist of:

- i Chairman
- ii Hon Secretary
- iii Hon Treasurer
- iv Hon Head of Training *
- v Hon Child Protection

* The Honorary Head of Training must be a Parent of a Junior or Above, but in the past may have previously served on the Training Sub-Committee as:

- a Deputy Head of Junior's Training
- b Deputy Head of Children's Training
- c Deputy Head of Mini's Training

All of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

A person may not be eligible to serve as an Officer of the Club until he or she has served as a Member of the Management Committee for a minimum of one year with the exception of the Honorary Child Protection Officer.

In addition, the Club may invite appropriate persons to be President and Vice President.

4. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Club shall be controlled by the Management Committee consisting of:

- i The Officers
 - ii Five other Social Members
 - iii Club Coach
- All of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

A prospective Committee Member must be the Parent of a current Trainee or a person associated with the Club and invited by the Officers and the Committee to stand.

The property and assets of the Club shall be vested in the Management Committee.

The Management Committee shall meet monthly or as deemed necessary throughout the year. The proceedings of such meetings shall be duly recorded in a Minute Book and shall be distributed to all Management Committee Members prior to the next meeting.

At meetings of the Management Committee, five Members present form a quorum.

The Management Committee shall review all Applications for Membership of the Club.

The Management Committee shall also have the power to suspend or expel any Member deemed guilty of conduct prejudicial to the good name of the Club.

The Management Committee shall have the power to declare a seat vacant should a Member be absent from three consecutive meetings without an explanation deemed to be satisfactory. This seat will then remain vacant until the next General Meeting.

Should two or more vacancies occur an Extraordinary General Meeting will be called for the purposes of electing replacements.

The Management Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional assistance as deemed necessary.

It shall be normal practice that at any point in time not more than one Member of a family shall serve on the Management Committee.

5. SUB-COMMITTEES

The Management Committee shall have the power to appoint Sub-Committees as may from time to time be deemed necessary and shall receive reports from such Sub-Committees at its meetings.

A Sub-Committee shall normally consist of:

- i Not less than two Social Members of the Club appointed by the Management Committee
- ii A Chairman, who shall be a Member of the Management Committee
- iii A Sub-Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional assistance as deemed necessary

At least the following Sub-Committees shall exist:

5a. Training Sub-Committee

The purpose of this Sub-Committee shall be to consider all matters relating to:

- Plastic Training
- Logistics of Snow Camps
- Artificial and Indoor Races and Snow Races
- Equipment Ensuring it considers equally the differing Training and Race requirements of different Age Groups within the Club

The Training Sub-Committee shall be chaired by the Hon Head of Training who shall also be responsible for Junior and Above Training.

It shall include:

- i Head Coach
- ii Deputy Head of Junior's Training who shall be elected at the AGM

- iii Deputy Head of Children's Training who shall be elected at the AGM
 - iv Deputy Head of Mini's Training who shall be elected at the AGM
 - v Head of Travel Committee as required
 - vi Other Social Members as required
- The Hon Head of Training and the Deputy Head of Junior's Training shall be a Parent with a Junior or Above Racer in the Club
 - The Deputy Head of Children's Training shall be a Parent with a Children 1 or Children 2 Racer in the Club
 - The Deputy Head of Mini's Training shall be a Parent with a Mini Racer in the Club
 - **Note:** In both cases this refers to the forth-coming 'Training Year' i.e. Summer Camp through to the British Championships

5b. Sponsorship and Fund Raising Sub-Committee

To ensure that sufficient funds are available in the Club by, i.e. Organising Events and other activities to raise funds. It shall consist of:

- i One Management Committee Member
- ii Whomever else deemed necessary

5c. Travel Committee

To be responsible for arranging the travel, accommodation and non skiing supervision for the Club's Snow Camps. It shall consist of:

- i One Management Committee Member
- ii Whomever else deemed necessary

6. MEMBERSHIP

There shall be six classes of Membership:

6a Full Skiing Members:

- All Children and Minis not living further than a certain distance from Sandown Park Ski Slope
- All others doing regular dry slope training

6b Junior Skiing Members:

- Those Juniors who do not wish to train regularly on the dry slope, but who attend Fitness Sessions and / or Snow Training

6c Student Skiing Members:

- Juniors, Children and Minis unable to attend Dry Slope Training or Fitness due to residential location or Education
- The granting of this status remains at the discretion of the Management Committee

6d Members Representing the Club:

- Previous Members of the Club who wish to continue to race under the name of Sandown Park Ski Racing Club but who do not attend any training with the Club

6e Social Members:

- Officers
- Parents of Skiing Members
- At the discretion of the Committee, other adults and former skiing Members who wish to be associated with the Club

6f Honorary Members:

- Members who are past or present Members of the British or their National Alpine Teams and have reached 50 FIS points or below, may be granted Honorary Associate Membership at the discretion of the Management Committee
- The Club Coach and Trainers shall be granted Honorary Senior Membership

6g Applicants for Skiing Membership:

Applicants will be invited by the Management Committee to an agreed Trial for which a fee is payable in advance. Subject to a satisfactory report from the Club Coach they will then be accepted into the Club.

Once a Member of the Club, their attendance and improvement will be regularly assessed and then continued Membership reviewed. Renewal of Membership is always subject to Management Committee approval.

6h Guest Skiers:

Guest skiers shall be allowed to attend Club Training Sessions or Snow Camps subject to:

- Prior approval of the Club Coach and / or Training Committee
- Availability of space at the specified Session or Snow Camp
- Membership of a recognized Ski Racing Club / Snowsport GB
- Payment of a fee

6i Register of Club Members

A Register of Club Members shall be kept by the Hon. Secretary.

A Member wishing to resign shall give notice to this effect to the Hon. Secretary, such notice being accompanied by payment of all Club dues at that date. There shall be no refund of Membership Fees upon termination of Membership.

6j Condition of Membership

It is a condition of Membership Categories: 6a, 6b and 6c that Members must:

- Nominate SPSRC as their First Club when registering with Snowsport England under their Coaching Scheme governing racing on artificial slopes.
- Not race for another Club if selected by SPSRC for a Team event.

All Members shall be eligible for selection to represent the Club at ski events and shall have equal rights in this respect.

- All Skiing Members attending the Club for Trainings must produce a valid Membership Card and sign the Club Register on arrival.

7. SUBSCRIPTIONS and FEES

Subscriptions and Fees shall be set each year by the Management Committee and ratified at the AGM. Categories will be:

- Full Skiing Members
- Junior Skiing Members
- Student Skiing Members
- Members Representing the Club
- Social Members
- Trial Fee
- Joining Fee
- Guest Fee

The Club's Year shall be from 1st May in any year to 30th April in the following year. Skiing Members subscriptions and Family Social subscriptions for new Members shall be reduced pro-rata.

In the event of non-payment of Subscriptions within two months of the notice of rates for the year, Membership shall be deemed to have terminated.

8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting shall be held within 6 weeks of the Club's Year End.

The Honorary Secretary shall give at least 21 days written notice of the Meeting to all Members. Such notice shall include:

- i List of current Members of the Management Committee and Sub-Committees
- ii Invitation to volunteer for, or to nominate someone for, a position on one of the Committees.

The Meeting shall receive and approve:

- a) A Report from the Honorary Head of Training
- b) A Report from the Honorary Treasurer
- c) An audited statement of accounts including a balance sheet and an analysis of income and expenditure.
- d) A motion from the Management Committee changing the Club Rules in order to formally implement the level of Subscriptions for the coming year.

The Meeting shall also:-

- i) Elect the Officers and Management Committee by ballot
- ii) Appoint an Auditor
- iii) Transact any other business as the Chairman may allow

A vote at the Meeting will be allowed to each Social Member and to each Skiing Member over the age of 16 years.

Each Proposal and each Candidate for election as an Officer or as a Member of the Management Committee shall be Proposed and Seconded by a Social Member.

9. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened by the Management Committee when deemed necessary and also on the written request of not less than 3 voting Members.

The Honorary Secretary shall give not less than 7 days written notice of such a Meeting to all Members. Eight voting Members shall form a quorum.

10. FINANCE

The Management Committee shall cause to be kept proper books of account which shall be audited annually. Official receipts for all moneys received shall be signed by the Honorary Treasurer.

The funds of the Club shall be banked at a suitable Bank as defined by the Management Committee, who shall authorize cheques to be signed by the Authorizing Officer or Management Committee Member.

11. ALTERATION TO RULES

No alteration to the Rules shall be made except at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting, convened for that purpose and only if supported by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting at such a meeting.

The Hon. Secretary must notify Members of any proposed alteration to the rules on the Notice of Meeting.

12. CLUB COLOURS

The Club Colours shall be chosen / changed by the Membership and ratified by the Management Committee.

13. CLUB BADGE AND UNIFORM

The Club Badge and Uniform shall be determined by the Management Committee.

14. SAFETY RULES

Skiing Members must at all times wear protective equipment as directed by the Club Coach and Trainers. Members not complying with this rule may be asked to leave the slope.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS?

Any matters not governed by the foregoing rules shall be dealt with by the Management Committee, the decision of which body shall be final and binding.

***Annual General Meeting
23 June 2011***