

# MCNW



## CLUB RULES Jan 2012

### 1 NAME AND OBJECTS

- (a) The name of the Club shall be 'The Mountaineering Club of North Wales'.
- (b) The objects of the Club shall be to encourage the pursuits of Mountaineering and Rock Climbing.

### 2 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

- (a) The Officers of the Club shall be Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Editor and Hut Custodian.
- (b) The Committee shall consist of Officers and five Committee Members.
- (c) The Officers and the Committee members shall be elected annually by the Annual General Meeting.
- (d) Any vacancy arising may be filled by the Committee, the person so appointed serving until the next Annual General Meeting.

### 3 MANAGEMENT

- (a) The Management of the Club shall be vested in the Committee who shall pay due regard to the Resolutions of the Annual General Meeting.
- (b) All matters of business discussed by the Committee shall be decided by a plain majority. A second or casting vote shall be vested in the Chairman.

### 4 PROPERTY

- (a) There shall be up to five Trustees of the Club who shall be appointed from time to time as necessary by the General Committee from among full and honorary members who are willing to be so appointed. The property of the Club, (other than cash which shall be under the control of the Treasurer), shall be vested in them, to be dealt with by them as the Committee shall from time to time direct by resolution, of which an entry in the Minute Book shall be conclusive evidence. The Trustees shall be indemnified against risk and expense out of the Club property. The Trustees shall hold office until death or resignation, or until removed from office by a resolution of the Committee, who may for any reason which may seem sufficient to a majority of them present and voting at any meeting, remove any Trustees or Trustee from the office of Trustee. Where by reason of any such death, resignation or removal it shall appear necessary to the Committee that a new Trustee or Trustees shall be appointed or if the Committee shall deem it expedient to appoint an additional Trustee or additional Trustees the Committee shall by resolution nominate the person or persons to be appointed the new Trustee or Trustees. For the purpose of giving effect to such nomination the Chairman is hereby nominated as the person to appoint new Trustees of the Club within the meaning of Section 36 of the Trustees Act 1925 and he shall by deed duly appoint the person or persons so nominated by the Committee as the Trustee or Trustees of the Club and the provisions of the Trustee Act 1925 shall apply to any such appointment. Any statement of fact in any such deed of appointment shall, in favour of a person dealing bona fide and for value with the Club or the Committee by conclusive evidence of the fact so stated.
- (b) If at any time a majority of members shall decide to dissolve the Club all assets shall be realised and the proceeds divided amongst the full Members in such a manner that each share is proportional to the number of the completed years of full membership. Club records shall then be lodged with Gwynedd Archives Office or their successors.

### 5 NEW MEMBERS

- (a) Election to membership is at the discretion of the Committee either at a committee meeting or via circulation of the application form to committee members.
- (b) A prospective member must be proposed and seconded by two Members of not less than one year's standing as such and must attend at least one and not more than two outdoor meets before his/her nomination will be considered by the committee. It is the responsibility of the proposer to ensure that the candidate complies with all the requirements of the Club.
- (c) The name of new members shall be circulated to members any of whom shall have the right to object to the election. If such objection is made, the Committee may terminate the membership objected to.
- (d) All new members shall pay their subscriptions within three months of election.

- (e) When visiting the hut all new and existing members should abide by the Hut rules as found in the Hut Manual the Committee can revise these rules as and when seen fit and fair to do so.

## CLUB RULES CONTINUED

### 6 HONORARY MEMBERS

The election of Honorary Members shall be at the sole discretion of the Committee.  
Honorary Members shall have full voting rights on all Club business but shall not be required to pay a subscription.

### 7 SUBSCRIPTIONS

- (a) The Annual Subscription for any given year will be fixed at the discretion of the Committee prior to 31<sup>st</sup> December of the preceding year.
- (b) All subscriptions shall be payable to the Treasurer not later than 1<sup>st</sup> January each year, save in exceptional circumstances.
- (c) A new Member, elected after 30<sup>th</sup> September in any year shall, on paying the subscription for that year, be excused payment of subscription for the year next following.
- (d) The Committee may, at their discretion, re-instate any person who has lost membership by reason of nonpayment of subscription on payment of arrears accruing up to the time of such loss of membership.

### 8 EXPLUSION OF MEMBERS

- (a) If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the Committee be incompatible with membership of the Club or injurious to the good name and reputation of the Club, the Committee shall call his/her attention to the said conduct and request the Member to offer an explanation thereof and if the Member so requested shall not offer an explanation satisfactory to the Committee within fourteen days or resign his/her membership, he/she shall cease to be a member of the Club.
- (c) Any Member of the expelled under the Rule shall forfeit to the Club any subscriptions he/she may have paid.

### 9 PUBLICITY

Club Members shall not use the name of the Club in newspaper articles, magazines, lectures, advertisements, on radio or television, without the prior consent of the Committee.

### 10 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (a) A General Meeting shall be held at a date to be fixed by the Committee not later than 13 months after the previous General meeting. At least fourteen days written notice shall be given to all Members and Honorary Members.
- (b) The business at such Meetings shall be the election of Officers and Committee for the ensuing year, the passing of the Accounts of the preceding year and any such other business as may arise.
- (c) All business discussed by the Annual General Meeting shall be decided by a plain majority of Members present and entitled to vote. A second or casting vote shall be vested in the Chairman.

### 11 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

- (a) An EGM may be called by the committee on giving at least 14 days written notice to Members.
- (b) Such a meeting may be called by a Quorum of 25% of the total membership at that time, provided that such members give the Committee 14 days written notice and state the reasons for calling such a meeting.
- (c) An EGM shall only be competent to deal only with the Business for which the meeting was called as stated in the notice convening the meeting.

### 12 AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES

These rules or any single rule may be repealed added to or amended at any General meeting provided that the nature of the addition or amendment is in the written notice convening the meeting.

