

Hereford Triathlon Club

Club Constitution

Aims

The aims of Hereford Triathlon Club are to:

- Promote and encourage people's participation in triathlon and endurance sport through organised racing, suitable training and social events.
- Encourage our members to have fun and to be the best that they can be through a shared camaraderie

Objectives

The objectives of Hereford Triathlon Club are to:

- Promote the aims on behalf of its Membership
- Encourage and facilitate its members to participate in training and competition consistent with the aims
- Establish and maintain links with the British Triathlon Federation and other sporting bodies sympathetic to the aims
- Using email and other media, communicate regularly with the Membership
- Protect the rights of its Members, acknowledging their rights as individuals in sport
- Develop links with other local sporting clubs and associations sympathetic to the aims

Membership

- Membership is open to people who have either paid the appropriate fee and completed an application form, or who have applied and are exempted from payment. People who are exempt from payment are those who are aged 18 or under, registered unemployed, full-time students or honorary members as agreed by the Committee. An application for membership implies that the applicant agrees to abide by the club rules and/or constitution.
- Membership starts when the full appropriate fee and application form have been passed on to a club official. The membership period starts each year on January 1st and ends on December 31st. New members who apply and pay the full fee early after September 30th but before January 1st will be covered by membership for the period up to December 31st the following year.

- Membership can be ended for a specified period by the Committee if the majority of the Committee agree that a member has brought the club into disrepute. The member must be given seven days' notice of any meeting to be held about such matters and can make or attend and make representations about the circumstances. The Committee's decision will be final.
- Membership fees will not be reimbursed if a member resigns or is expelled before the end of the club year.

Administration

- The Members shall meet once each year at the Annual General Meeting at a date prior notified by not less than 14 days
- The Membership shall comprise of Ordinary Members paying an annual fee set at the AGM and Honorary Members as agreed by the Committee
- Hereford Triathlon Club shall affiliate as a club to the British Triathlon Federation and to other sporting bodies as determined by the AGM
- Hereford Triathlon Club will take up insurance each year as advised by the British Triathlon Federation which will cover the club and its officers/members acting on behalf of the club for public liability
- Hereford Triathlon Club will be run and managed by a Committee comprising the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Officer, Welfare Officer and up to ten additional members all of whom will be elected at the AGM. These appointments will run for one year from the date of the AGM and can only be held by officers of the club
- If 20 per-cent or more of the Membership, as specified by the Treasurer and Membership Officer's records, request a Special or extraordinary general meeting then these appointments can be opened up for re-election at such a meeting at any time during the year
- The Committee will meet at least every three months and no less than four times per year and can make decisions about the running of the club only if four or more Committee members are present. Members can make their concerns and ideas known to Committee members for consideration at a meeting. The results of which will be fed back to the Member

- The Treasurer and Membership Officer will make available for every AGM a full set of accounts. Accounts should be made available within seven days of a request for any member of the club to check at any time during the year
- The Treasurer and Membership Officer will ensure that the Committee is aware of any financial problems, which may cause the club account to become overdrawn
- The club can be dissolved at an AGM or extraordinary or special general meeting. Assets remaining after the dissolution of the club will, after paying outstanding debts or liabilities, be used as decided by the meeting for the benefit of all members and advancement of triathlon
- Changes to the constitution can only be agreed by an AGM, extraordinary or special meeting

Signed by



Darren Gibbons
Chairman



Delia Duffill
Club Secretary