

Rules and Regulations of the Rossallian Club.

1. Name of the Club

The Club shall be called 'The Rossallian Club'

2. Objects of the Club

- a. The promotion and maintenance of friendships between Old Rossallians (ORs).
- b. The organisation of functions, sports and societies (in these rules called activities) for ORs.
- c. The furtherance generally of the interests and prosperity of Rossall School and of its past and present members and associated organisations.

3. Officers of the Club

Shall be as follows:

1. The President.
2. Two Vice-Presidents
3. The Secretary who shall live at or near Rossall
4. The Treasurer who shall live at or near Rossall

The **Committee** of the Rossallian Club shall consist of:

1. The Officers of the Club (as stated above)
2. Past Presidents
3. The Head
4. The Branch Secretaries
5. The Games Secretaries (from all the games approved by the Committee)
6. Any other Member of the Rossallian Club that the Committee deem appropriate

The above shall manage and control the affairs of the Club with powers to appoint sub-committees and to co-opt members of the Club for specific tasks. A quorum for all meeting purposes shall be not less than 7 members, from the above Committee. Any co-opted member is not entitled to vote at meetings of the Committee.

A **Management Committee** comprising of the President, Secretary, Treasurer and at least two other Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Committee. The purpose of the Management Committee is to assist the Committee and to function between the meetings of the Committee. Minutes of their meetings shall be recorded and circulated to all members of the Committee.

4. Committee Meetings, AGMs, EGMs and Triennial

1. The President will act as Chairman at all meetings. In the event of a Committee Meeting, AGM or EGM being held where the President is not present, a Vice-President shall chair the

meeting. If neither the President nor a Vice-President is present then a Chairman shall be elected by those present, to conduct the business of that meeting, by show of hands.

2. There shall be two Committee Meetings each year one in the Spring and one in the Autumn. Voting on all issues shall be by a simple majority through a show of hands, or at the Chairman's discretion, by a secret ballot of those present.

3. There shall be an Annual General Meeting of the Club, each year, at a time and venue to be decided upon by the Committee. Voting on all issues shall be by a simple majority through a show of hands, or at the Chairman's discretion, by a secret ballot, of those present.

4. Any other business may be dealt with at an AGM with prior notice of that business being given to the Secretary, in writing, at least 28 days prior to that meeting.

5. The Club Dinner (known as the Triennial Dinner) shall be held every three years at Rossall, on a date to be agreed upon by the Committee.

6. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time, on the demand, of any 25 Members of the Club, in writing, to the President and Secretary. The President and Secretary shall organise the meeting to take place within 28 days of the communication and ensure that members are notified of the date, venue and business of that meeting, through letter or E-mail. The business at such a meeting shall be confined to such resolutions. 50 members shall constitute a quorum. Voting on all issues shall be by a simple majority, through a show of hands, or at the Chairman's discretion by a secret ballot, of those present.

5. Membership

1. a. Any pupil having attended Junior, Middle or Senior School for a period of no less than 2 years shall be eligible for membership of the Rossallian Club. Current Rossallians shall be eligible for membership during their last term at School. Their membership shall only take effect from the date they leave Rossall.

b. Members of the Common Room and Governors who are not already Rossallians shall, after three years service, be invited to become members of the Club.

c. Any person who has Rossall interests at heart may be eligible for membership.

2. No one shall be eligible for membership before their sixteenth birthday.

3. All applications for membership shall require the approval of the Committee at its next meeting.

4. Every Member shall, from time to time, communicate their contact details to the Secretary and all notices delivered or sent in accordance with those contact details shall be deemed to have been sufficiently served or given.

5. The Committee, in consultation with the relevant Branch Secretary, shall have the power to expel or call upon any Member to resign, by letter sent to their last known address. If their resignation or appeal against the decision shall not have been received within 28 days from the date of the despatch of the said letter, then such person shall cease to be a Member of the Rossallian Club and their name shall be removed from the list of members.

6. President and Vice Presidents

1. The President and Vice-Presidents cannot serve in those positions for more than two consecutive terms. Nominations for these positions shall be given to the Secretary no later than 28 days prior to the Autumn Committee Meeting.
2. If there is more than one nomination for President then the nominees shall be given the opportunity to present their case to the Committee. The Committee shall choose the candidate they deem most appropriate for the position and present them to the members for ratification at the AGM in a Triennial year.
3. Likewise if there are more than 2 nominations for the position of Vice President, the same process will apply.
4. The President and Vice Presidents shall take office during the Triennial Dinner.
5. In the event of the office of President becoming vacant during a Triennial Period then the vacancy shall be filled by the one of the Vice Presidents, who will be elected by the Committee and will continue in this office until the next AGM when that person may be appointed to the position of President.
6. If the President and Vice-Presidents vacate their offices then the Committee shall elect persons to take the offices vacated until the next AGM.

7. The Secretary and the Treasurer

1. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be appointed by the Committee.
2. The Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy occurring during the year.

8. Branches and Sports

1. Branches of the Club, for local activities, may be formed at home or overseas at centres agreed upon by the Committee, with power to appoint their own Officers and Committees, to operate their own bank accounts and to raise their own funds should they so wish.
2. Branch and Sports Secretaries shall forward to the Secretary, prior to the Autumn Meeting each year, reports on their respective activities. These will be circulated to all members of the Committee, with the notice of meeting.
3. The President and Secretary of the Club shall be ex-officio members of all Branch Committees
4. The Games Secretaries shall have the power to arrange matches under the title 'Old Rossallian' and make all the necessary arrangements.
5. After making provision for the general purposes of the Club, the Committee may make grants each year for the purposes of Club Activities as they see fit.

9. Accounts

1. The year of Account shall be from September 1st to August 31st. The Treasurer shall

present the Accounts to the Committee at the Autumn meeting for their approval. If approved they will then be presented to members for their approval at the next AGM. If the Treasurer is not available then the President shall present the Accounts.

2. An external Examiner of Accounts shall be appointed by the Committee.

10. Amendment to the Rules and Regulations

These rules may be amended by the Committee, subject to the approval of the membership at an AGM or EGM provided that 28 days notice of the proposed amendment has been forwarded by the Secretary to the membership by post or E-mail.

11. Club Colours

1. The colours of the Club shall be dark blue with narrow crimson and white stripes. An alternative tie shall be available to members in dark blue with the School Crest.

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