

# Clywedog Sailing Club

# Constitution and By-laws

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# The Constitution of the Clywedog Sailing Club

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# 1. Name

1.1 The Name of the club shall be the Clywedog Sailing Club; hereinafter referred to as the Club.

# 2. Objective of the Club

- 2.1 The Club exists to:
  - 2.1.1 Promote and facilitate the sports of sailing, sailboarding and paddle sports for members;
  - 2.1.2 Foster interest and provide facilities for approved groups and youth organisations;
  - 2.1.3 Provide social and other facilities for members as may from time to time be decided;
  - 2.1.4 Provide a Club house and facilities incidental to sailing and maintain the same for the use of the members of the club.

# 3. Burgee

3.1 The Burgee of the Club shall be a red Welsh dragon on a blue background surmounted by a gold club monogram.

# 4. Membership

4.1 All persons whether craft owners or not shall be eligible for membership of the Club and shall be;

# 4.2 Honorary Life Members

4.2.1 Honorary Life Members shall be elected by the Club in general meeting.

- 4.2.2 Honorary Life Members shall have the full rights of membership other than the power to vote on any motion relating to subscriptions.
- 4.2.3 There shall not be more than twelve Honorary Life Members at any one time.

#### 4.3 Individual Members

- 4.3.1 Individual members shall be any persons of 18 years or over accepted for membership of the Club by the Management Committee in accordance with the provisions of this constitution.
- 4.3.2 Individual members under 22 years of age who are either students in full time education or registered unemployed persons at the date on which the annual subscriptions shall be payable shall be entitled to pay the subscription rate applicable to cadet members.
- 4.3.3 Individual members shall receive notices of and be entitled to vote at general meetings.
- 4.3.4 Individual members be entitled to stand for election as Officers of the Club and for membership of the Management Committee.
- 4.3.5 Individual members shall have the power to propose and second those members standing as Officers of the Club or for Management Committee Membership.

# 4.4 Family Members

- 4.4.1 Family membership will include the spouse or partner of an Individual Member and family members up to the age of 18, or 22 if in full time education.
- 4.4.2 All the members of the family shall have the use of all the facilities of the Club both sailing and otherwise.

- 4.4.3 All the members of the family shall be entitled to stand for election to the Management Committee and members of the family over 18 years of age shall be entitled to stand as Officers of the Club.
- 4.4.4 The family shall receive only one notice of general meetings and have only one vote at general meetings.
- 4.4.5 In each instance of a standing member only one adult member of the family shall exercise the power to propose or second that member.

#### 4.5 Cadet Members

- 4.5.1 Cadet members shall not have attained 18 years of age when their membership application is accepted by Committee.
- 4.5.2 Cadet members shall have no power to vote nor may they propose or second persons standing for election as Officers of the Club or for membership of the Management Committee.
- 4.5.3 Cadet members will receive notice of and may speak at general meetings and may be invited to attend Management Committee meetings.
- 4.5.4. Cadet members must have the consent of their parents or guardian to join the Club and must be sponsored by an Individual or Family member who shall be responsible for the cadet's safety and good conduct.
- 4.5.5 Two Cadet/Junior members can be elected to the Committee and will have voting rights within Committee meetings only.

#### 4.6 Associate Members

4.6.1 Associate members are any persons of 18 years of age or older accepted for membership by Committee who shall not be entitled to use the Club's water for sailing or any other

purpose from time to time permitted by the Club but who shall otherwise be entitled to enjoy the other facilities of the Club.

- 4.6.2 Associate members shall receive notice of and shall have the right to speak at general meetings.
- 4.6.3 Associate members shall not be entitled to vote at general meetings, to serve as Committee members or Officers or to propose or second persons standing for election as Officers or for membership of the Club's Management Committee.

#### 4.7 Canoe Members

- 4.7.1 Canoe members are any persons of 18 years of age or older when their membership application is accepted by the Committee.
- 4.7.2 Canoe members shall receive notice of and be entitled to vote at general meetings.
- 4.7.3 Canoe members shall be entitled to use the Club's water for paddle based sports and the Club's facilities but are not entitled to use the Club's water for sailing.
- 4.7.4 A total of two Canoe members are entitled to stand for election as Officers of the Club and for membership of the Management Committee.
- 4.7.5 Canoe members shall have the power to propose and second those members standing as Officers of the Club or for Management Committee membership.

#### 4.8 **Provisional Members**

4.8.1 Provisional members shall be persons who have never previously been members of the Club or those whose membership has lapsed for one year or longer who are awaiting acceptance of their application by the Management Committee.

#### 4.9 Affiliated Members

- 4.9.1 Affiliated membership shall be available to members of companies, groups, societies or clubs which shall have made written application for, and been granted affiliation to the Club by the Committee on conditions laid down as by-laws affecting them only.
- 4.10 The total of Individual and Cadet members shall not exceed 400 provided that this shall not prevent the child of a Family member being accepted.
- 4.11 Every new application for membership shall be made in writing on the prescribed form and, together with the appropriate fee, shall be forwarded to the Membership Secretary.
- 4.12 The applicant will then be a Provisional member and have the use of the Club's facilities in accordance with the class of membership applied for.
- 4.13 A Provisional member shall not be entitled to serve on any committee, serve as an Officer or receive notice of or vote at general meetings or propose or second any nominations until the application has been accepted by the Management Committee.
- 4.14 Should the Management Committee reject the application then the applicant will be informed in writing, will cease to be a Provisional member and the fee will be returned.
- 4.15 The Management Committee's decision will be final.

# 5. <u>Entrance Fees, Subscriptions and Craft Fees</u>

- 5.1 Entrance fees, subscriptions and craft fees shall be as determined from time to time by the Club in the Annual General Meeting by a simple majority of the members present and entitled to vote at such a meeting.
- 5.2 The annual subscription shall be payable on the first day of January in each year.

- 5.3 A member whose subscription is not paid by the 31st March in any year shall be notified by letter and in the event of non-payment by 30th April in the same year that member's subscription shall be deemed to be in arrears.
- 5.4 If the subscription in arrears is not paid by the 31st May in the same year then his/her membership of the Club will be terminated.
- 5.5 The Management Committee may at its discretion reinstate such a member on payment of the arrears.
- 5.6 Members whose subscriptions are in arrears may not use any of the Club's facilities or vote at meetings.
- 5.7 A member who for any reason anticipates inability to use the Club for the whole of any one year or longer will be excused payment of the annual subscription.
- 5.8 The member must, however, give notice in writing to the Membership Secretary at the time the subscription has become due and any boat berth or mooring held must be vacated.
- 5.9 A member may retire or resign from membership at any time by giving notice to the Membership Secretary.
- 5.10 Any subscriptions paid for the then current year will not be refunded.
- 5.11 Any member retiring or resigning without having paid his/her subscription for the current year shall be liable for the same.

#### 6. Conduct of Member

6.1 Every member and provisional member on making application for membership to the Management Committee and thereafter is deemed to have notice of and undertakes to comply with the Club Rules and By-laws.

- 6.2 Any refusal or neglect to do so or any conduct which, in the opinion of the Management Committee, is either unworthy of a member or otherwise injurious to the interests of the Club, shall render a member liable to disciplinary action and possible expulsion from the Club by the Management Committee.
- 6.3 Before considering disciplinary action the Management Committee shall request an offending member to provide a written explanation of that member's conduct within twenty-one days and shall give the member full opportunity of making explanation to the Committee.
- 6.4 A resolution to discipline or expel a member shall be carried by a two-thirds majority vote by those members of the Management Committee present and voting on the resolution.
- 6.5 Members will at all times conduct themselves in a reasonable manner, giving due consideration to other members and users of the Club's facilities.
- 6.6 Any adult Family member or Cadet sponsor shall be responsible for the conduct and safety of their children, grandchildren or cadets.
- 6.7 A member must not remove, injure or damage any property of the Club and must make restitution for the same if called upon to do so by the Management Committee or the General Secretary.
- 6.8 A member must settle any indebtedness (whether incurred on his own account or for a visitor) for refreshments or otherwise before leaving the Club premises.
- 6.9 Under no circumstances may a member personally reprimand a servant of the Club.
- 6.10 Complaints of any nature relating to the management of the Club or its facilities must be made in writing to the General Secretary or the Commodore.
- 6.11 All members will be eligible to apply for any employment vacancy that occurs at the Club.

- 6.12 All members will be eligible to supply goods and services and to apply for any contract that the Management Committee may offer.
- 6.13 Members will be required to perform duties connected with the running of the Club and this is a condition of membership.
- 6.14 No litter is to be left on Club premises.
- 6.15 Members' property must be removed on departure apart from properly secured craft in authorised locations.
- 6.16 Items left without authority may be collected up and disposed of.
- 6.17 If any member shall be adjudged a bankrupt or shall make composition or arrangement with his / her creditors under the provision of any statute the person shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Club and forfeit all right in and claim upon the Club and its premises.
- 6.18 The Management Committee at its discretion may subsequently reinstate such a former member.
- 6.19 Every member shall communicate from time to time to the General Secretary his / her address or that of an agent.
- 6.20 All notices required by these rules to be sent to members shall be deemed to have duly sent if sent to the address communicated.
- 6.21 All persons using the lake or Club premises shall abide by such safety regulations as are laid down in the By-laws of the Club.
- 6.22 Failure to comply with such regulations will render a member liable to suspension or expulsion by the Management Committee.
- 6.23 Members may introduce visitors to the Club as guests subject to such restrictions and regulations as the Committee may make.
- 6.24 A guest shall not pay for any meal or other refreshment and the member introducing the guest will be responsible for all liabilities incurred by the guest or on the guest's behalf.

- 6.25 Members, their guests and visitors are bound by the following rule, which shall also be exhibited in a prominent place within the Club premises:-
- 6.26 Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club's premises and any other facilities of the Club, entirely at their own risk and accept that:
  - 6.26.1 All persons using the premises are responsible for their own personal property and the Club will not be held liable for loss or damage occurring;
  - 6.26.2 The Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of the use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club either sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of them, the Officers, Committee or servants of the Club.

# 7. <u>Management Committee</u>

- 7.1 The Management Committee (the Committee) shall consist of the Officers of the Club and not more than twelve other Members of the Club who shall be Individual, Family, Honorary Life, Canoe or Cadet members.
- 7.2 At least six of the members of the Management Committee shall be sailing dinghy/cruiser owners at the time of their election.
- 7.3 All Committee members shall be eligible to vote at General Meetings and have the power to propose and second those members standing as Officers of the Club or for Management Committee Membership.
- 7.4 The Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting in each year.

- 7.5 Committee members other than the Officers shall retire after three years but may seek re-election.
- 7.6 The Officers of the Club, who shall be Individual, Family or Canoe Members, shall consist of: Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Immediate Past Commodore (all of whom shall be Flag Officers), General Secretary, Treasurer, Sailing Secretary and Membership Secretary.
- 7.7 The Officers shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting when they shall retire but shall be eligible for re-election.
- 7.8 The office of Commodore should not be held for more than two successive years.
- 7.9 The Club shall also have a President.
- 7.10 Any one Officer or any two Committee members not being Officers may convene meetings of the Committee by giving at least 14 days' notice in writing to the other Committee members.
- 7.11 Emergency meetings may be convened at the discretion of the Commodore.
- 7.12 Five Committee members personally present shall constitute a quorum.
- 7.13 The senior Officer present shall chair the meeting.
- 7.14 If votes on any resolution are equal the chairperson shall have the casting vote.
- 7.15 The Committee shall manage the affairs of the Club in accordance with the Rules.
- 7.16 The Committee shall define the duties of the several Officers who shall in all respects be subject to the control of the Committee.

- 7.17 The Committee shall also have the power to appoint Sub-Committees if it considers it necessary consisting of any of the membership of the Club and may delegate to a sub-committee such powers as it considers appropriate.
- 7.18 The Committee may from time to time make, alter and repeal the By-laws with regard to the use of the clubhouse and foreshore, sailing, safety, admission of guests, the holding of regattas, and any other matters for the good conduct of the affairs of the Club.
- 7.19 Such by-laws shall be consistent with the Rules of the Club and shall be binding on all members and guests.
- 7.20 By-laws newly made by Committee shall be distributed to members and exhibited in the Club premises for fourteen days before the date of implementation.
- 7.21 Such By-laws shall remain in force until approved or set aside by a majority vote in an Annual General Meeting.
- 7.22 In the case of any casual vacancy amongst the Officers or the Committee the Committee may appoint any of the membership to the Club to fill such a vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting.

#### 7.23 The Secretaries

- 7.23.1 The Secretaries shall conduct the correspondence of the Club, keep such registers of Club members, minutes of proceedings of the Committee and General Meetings, records of Club regattas and other records of the Club's activities, liaise with outside bodies and maintain such certificates or registrations as the Committee may from time to time direct.
- 7.23.2 They shall keep a register of vessels kept at the Club belonging to any member in which shall be entered the class, sail number and name together with the owner's name.
- 7.23.3 They shall also produce any information required by the Club's Lessor.

#### 7.24 The Treasurer

- 7.24.1 The Treasurer shall keep such books of account as the Committee may from time to time direct and administer such insurance policy or policies as may be needed fully to protect the interests of the Club, its Officers, members and servants.
- 7.25 A member of the Committee or of any Standing or Sub-Committee in transacting business for the Club shall disclose to third parties that he / she is acting on behalf of the Club.
- 7.26 The Committee or any person standing or Sub-Committee delegated by the Committee to act as agent for the Club shall enter into contract only as far as expressly authorised, or authorised by implications, by the members.
- 7.27 No one shall without the express authority of the memberships in General Meeting pledge the credit of the membership.
- 7.28 Full members have the right to examine the Club accounts and insurance documents after giving one month's notice to the Treasurer.

# 8. **General Meetings**

- 8.1 An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year after accounts have been audited and before 1st January the following year.
- 8.2 The business of such a meeting will be the election of Officers, Management Committee and Auditors, the passing of accounts, and any other business of which notice shall have been given to the General Secretary by a member entitled to vote 4 weeks before a General Meeting.
- 8.3 The Committee may at any time, and shall at the request of any fifteen entitled members stating the business for which it is required, convene an Extraordinary General Meeting.
- 8.4 The General Secretary shall at least 14 days before any General Meeting send to every member at the address in the Club register a

notice of such meeting confirming the date and stating the time, venue and the business to be conducted.

- 8.5 No business other than that of a formal nature shall be discussed at any meeting unless notice thereof shall have been duly given in the prescribed manner.
- 8.6 The senior Flag Officer present shall take the chair at all General Meetings.
- 8.7 If no Flag Officer is present a member chosen by those present shall take the chair.
- 8.8 Every question (unless expressly stated otherwise by the Rules) shall be decided by a simple majority of votes.
- 8.9 Voting shall be by show of hands.
- 8.10 In the event of a split decision the Chairperson shall have the casting vote.
- 8.11 The quorum at a General Meeting shall be fifteen entitled memberships or fifteen percent of the entitled voting memberships, whichever figure is the lowest.
- 8.12 At any meeting (unless a poll is demanded by ten entitled members) a declaration by the Chairperson that a motion has been carried, or carried by a particular majority, or lost or not carried by a particular majority, shall be conclusive.
- 8.13 If any ten members demand a poll it shall be taken in such manner, and at such time and place, and either immediately or after an adjournment not exceeding seven days, as the Chairperson of the meeting directs; and the result of the poll as declared by the Chairperson shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll is demanded.
- 8.14 This Constitution may only be repealed, altered or added to and new Rules made by resolutions at an Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting duly summoned for the purpose.

- 8.15 A resolution to repeal, alter or add to this Constitution or make new Rules will require a majority of at least two thirds of the members present and entitled to vote to be carried. Notwithstanding the above Entrance Fees and Subscription (Rule 5) and Dissolution of the Club will be carried by a simple majority of those members present and entitled to vote.
- 8.16 The Club accounts shall be made up to the 31st August in each year.
- 8.17 The Committee will cause to be prepared, audited and printed every year a statement of receipts and expenditure and a balance sheet made up to the 31st August, which will be presented at the then next Annual General Meeting.
- 8.18 A copy of the same shall be sent to every member entitled to receive such documents not later than seven days before the date of the meeting at which they are to be considered.
- 8.19 At the Annual General Meeting in each year there shall be appointed an Auditor who shall before the next Annual General Meeting examine the accounts with the vouchers and receipts and shall certify the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet.
- 8.20 The Committee shall appoint another auditor if the one appointed at the Annual General Meeting is unable to undertake the work.
- 8.21 The Club in General Meetings may elect Honorary Life Members.
- 8.22 The election of Honorary Life Members shall be by motion, duly proposed and seconded.
- 8.23 The General Secretary shall give to the person elected as Honorary Life Member written notice of election.
- 8.24 Upon indicating willingness to take up Honorary Life Membership the person so elected shall become an Honorary Life Member.

8.25 Honorary Life Members shall pay neither entrance fee (if any) nor subscription.

# 9. Sailing and Racing

- 9.1 Racing at the Club will be in accordance with the Racing Regulations and Programme produced by the Committee, for which trophies will be awarded.
- 9.2 All agreements and regulations for regattas, races and inter-club races shall be made by the Committee.
- 9.3 All members other than Associate and Canoe members shall be entitled to use the Club's sailing facilities whether racing is taking place or not.

# 10. Club Funds and Property

- 10.1 The funds of the Club shall be kept by the Treasurer under the supervision of and in such a place and manner as shall be determined by the Committee.
- 10.2 The Committee shall have the power to expend Club funds in such a manner as it thinks fit in accordance with these Rules and objects of the Club.
- 10.3 The Committee shall nominate three Trustees who shall be unanimously elected and they shall deal with all the property of the Club including investments as the Committee may from time to time direct by resolution (of which an entry in the Minutes Book shall be conclusive evidence).
- 10.4 The Trustees shall be indemnified against risk and expenses out of the Club property.
- 10.5 The Trustees shall hold office until death or resignation or until removal from office by the Committee.
- 10.6 Where by reason of death, resignation or removal it is found necessary that a new Trustee or Trustees be appointed the Committee

shall nominate the new Trustee and Trustees and shall as soon as possible thereafter take all lawful and practical steps to procure the vesting of all Club property into the names of the Trustees as constituted after such nomination.

10.7 For the purpose of giving effect to any such nomination the Commodore 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 they shall by deed duly appoint the person or persons so nominated.

#### 11. Dissolution of the Club

- 11.1 If at any General Meeting a resolution for the dissolution of the Club shall be passed by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote and, at an Extraordinary General Meeting held not less than six weeks thereafter (for which not less than four weeks' written notice shall have been given to every member entitled to receive such notice), at which not less than one half of the members shall be present, that resolution shall be passed by a majority of two thirds of the members entitled to vote thereon, the Commodore shall thereupon, or at a future date as specified in such resolution, proceed to realise the property of the Club.
- 11.2 On realisation, and after the discharge of all liabilities, any surplus shall be used for charitable purposes for the promotion or encouragement of sailing by young or any other persons in the county of Powys or elsewhere as shall be determined by a simple majority of those members present and entitled to vote.

# 12. Personal Data

12.1 Membership of the Club and acceptance of these Rules by the member will be deemed to constitute consent to the holding of relevant personal data for the purposes of the Data Protection Act.

# The By-laws of the Clywedog Sailing Club

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# 1. Use of the Lake and Leased Area

- 1.1 Members and visitors must at all times observe the regulations and conditions regarding the lake and its environs as indicated in the Severn Trent Water Authority Lease Document.
- 1.2 The following general activities are prohibited: shooting, fishing from Club premises and boats, bathing and the use of power driven craft other than rescue, work and Committee boats.
- 1.3 Members and visitors are required to have proper regard for the preservation of flora and fauna and should not engage in any activity likely to endanger their well-being.
- 1.4 The depositing of refuse or harmful liquid or solid waste is prohibited.
- 1.5 Dogs must be kept on leads at all times and must not be allowed to foul any part of the Club's premises or grounds.

# 2. Car Parking

- 2.1 Vehicles must always be driven slowly and with care and must be parked so as not to impede the passage of boats or other vehicles.
- 2.2 Cars may be parked temporarily on the paved area in front of the Clubhouse for purposes of loading or unloading only.

# 3. **Boat Parking and Mooring**

- 3.1 Any craft brought to or kept on Club premises must be in a condition that does not prevent it from being put on the water (minor repairs and day to day maintenance excepted).
- 3.2 Craft that are not in such a condition shall not be brought to or left on Club premises.

- 3.3 All boats kept in the Boat Park must have a suitable means of being launched onto the water.
- 3.4 Each craft (cruisers excepted) must have sufficient buoyancy, adequately secured, whether built-in or inflated bags, so that the crew and swamped craft are supported.
- 3.5 All boats kept on the Club premises must be sailed. If it is not intended to sail any boat then that boat shall not be brought to or left on the Club premises.
- 3.6 Craft parked on Club premises must be registered with the Committee and the appropriate fee paid.
- 3.7 Boats moored on the lake must be registered and the appropriate fee paid, and may only be moored at a position indicated by the Committee on moorings laid by or approved by the Committee.
- 3.8 Boats are moored at their owner's risk.
- 3.9 All boats must be properly secured and tied down when left in the Boat Park.
- 3.10 Any boat to be moved by the Club, the committee majority must firstly agree on. The owner of the craft must then be informed in writing and given fourteen days to move their boat. If the member does not move the boat, then the club has the right to move the boat taking care not to damage it and will not be liable, negligence apart.
- 3.11 If at any time any fees payable to the Club by any member or former member are three months or more in arrears and a craft the property of that member or former member remains on the Club premises, the Committee may:
  - 3.11.1 Move the craft to any part of the Club's premises without being liable for any loss or damage to the craft howsoever caused.

- 3.11.2 Give one month's notice in writing to the former member at his last known address as shown in the General Secretary's Register and thereafter sell the craft and deduct any monies due to the Club (whether by way of arrears of subscription or annual payments, mooring, dinghy parking fees or otherwise) from the net proceeds of the sale before passing on the balance (if any) to the former member.
- 3.11.3 If the craft is unsalable, after giving notice in writing as above, dispose of the craft in a manner the Committee thinks fit and the cost of doing so shall be a debt owed to the Club by the former member.
- 3.11.4 Provided always that proper evidence is available to show that all reasonable steps have been taken to trace that member or former member and that when and if the craft is sold the proceeds of the sale (less any indebtedness by the member to the Club) shall be placed in a bank deposit account and retained against the eventuality of a claim by the owner (whether by the said member or former member or otherwise) for a period of six years.
- 3.12 Empty trailers must not be left on Club premises.
- 3.13 The Membership Secretary must be informed in writing of any change of craft or any additional craft brought to the Club.

# 4. <u>Safety</u>

- 4.1 All members must familiarise themselves with the Health and Safety recommendations displayed from time to time.
- 4.2 Buoyancy aids or life jackets of an approved type must be worn at all times while on the jetty and on the water.
- 4.3 Rescue boats in operations on programmed rescue duties must be manned by two persons and one shall be in command and be aged eighteen years or over.

# 4.4 Powerboat usage

- 4.4.1 Helms of a powerboat over the age of eighteen must hold an RYA Powerboat Level 2. Persons sixteen to eighteen with an RYA Powerboat Level 2 can helm a powerboat, the other crew onboard must be over eighteen. Persons aged twelve to sixteen with an RYA Powerboat Level 2 can helm powerboats when accompanied by a competent adult (+18) with an RYA Powerboat Level 2 and RYA Safety Boat.
- 4.4.2 Persons under fourteen years of age shall not form part of a rescue crew.
- 4.4.3 RYA Powerboat Instructors are the only persons allowed to perform formal powerboat training. As Instructors, these persons are the only members able to supervise non-RYA qualified powerboat drivers.
- 4.4.4 The Committee may vote for specific members to drive powerboats without the relevant qualification. This vote must be a majority vote within the Committee at a formal meeting and have specific reasons for the requirement.
- 4.4.5 Any member not abiding with the above rules may be told they are no longer permitted to use the Club powerboats as a matter of safety.
- 4.5 Designated rescue crews are on duty for other craft on the water as well as those that are racing.
- 4.6 At the end of a duty period rescue crew must inform craft still on the water that rescue cover is being withdrawn.
- 4.7 Members should familiarise themselves with the documents "Guidelines for Rescue Crews" and "Guidelines for Outboard Motors", and any other documents which the Committee provides.
- 4.8 Rescue boats may not be used for any purpose other than rescue duties without the express permission of the Officer of the Day (OD) or, in the absence of the OD, a Flag Officer.

- 4.9 Rescue boats may not at any time be used for pleasure purposes.
- 4.10 Members are referred to the Constitution which makes specific reference to safety.

# 5. <u>Use of Clubhouse</u>

- 5.1 Members and visitors may use all the facilities of the clubhouse but are required to have regard for the comfort and convenience of others present and for the need to maintain the premises in a clean and tidy state.
- 5.2 Regulations and instructions as prescribed from time to time by the Committee regarding use of the premises or any of its facilities must be observed.
- 5.3 The clubhouse may not be used for overnight residence nor for the storage of members' boats or parts thereof including sails.
- 5.4 Dogs (except for guide dogs) are not permitted in the clubhouse.
- 5.5 Use of the kitchen and its equipment is open to members and visitors except when the Committee instructs otherwise.
- 5.6 The kitchen must be left in a clean and tidy state and all equipment and utensils cleaned and stowed away after use.
- 5.7 Members should note that the water supply is drawn from the lake and the quality cannot be guaranteed. It is recommended that water intended for drinking should be boiled.

# 6. Camping

- 6.1 Members and visitors may camp on Club premises but only in the areas designated by Committee.
- 6.2 Camping fees must be paid and shall apply to tents, caravans, campervans, craft and any other mode of overnight stay.

# 7. Sailing and Racing

- 7.1 Sailing is not permitted beyond the white markers on the shoreline at Bwlch-y-Gle nor in the river inlets of the Biga and Clywedog.
- 7.2 Fishing has priority over sailing beyond the markers in the narrows north of the Club premises and in the rest of the lake beyond,
- 7.3 It is the responsibility of each member to decide if he or she can cope with the conditions actual or anticipated.
- 7.4 All sailing is entirely at the risk of those on the water and third party insurance of at least £5,000,000 (or as determined from time to time by the Committee) is required whenever the boat is on Club premises.
- 7.5 The nearest boats, whether racing or not, must go to the assistance of any craft in distress and must render assistance or stand by if required until the rescue boat arrives.
- 7.6 Members must comply with any instructions from the Officer of the Day (OD) or Safety Boat Crews.
- 7.7 The Officer of the Day will be responsible for the organisation and conduct of racing and all decisions and disputes shall be subject to that Officer's ruling.
- 7.8 On days not designated for racing any members may organise impromptu racing amongst themselves.

# 8. Membership Fees

- 8.1 Entrance fees (if applicable), subscriptions and registration fees shall be paid in accordance with the Constitution.
- 8.2 Fees for the current year shall be stated on the application forms and shall be posted on the Club notice board.

#### 9. Guests

- 9.1 Spouses, partners, other relatives and friends of Members (who are not Members in their own right) may visit the club and take part in club activities as guests, but this privilege may not be extended to the same person or persons more than four times in one season.
- 9.2 Members shall enter the names of all guests in the Visitor's Book located in the clubhouse. The signing-in member is responsible for their guests' behaviour and safety.
- 9.3 CSC is a members' club. Use of the club, facilities and equipment in relation to commercial business ventures is against the spirit of the club and not allowed, except where formal agreements between the club and the operating company are in place.

# 10. <u>Visiting Parties</u>

- 10.1 Visiting parties attending on isolated occasion or on a regular basis must be under the management of an organiser or sponsor who will be required to accompany the party and will have obtained prior permission for the visit from the Committee.
- 10.2 Members of visiting parties must abide by the Constitution Rules and By-laws and by any special conditions imposed by the Committee.
- 10.3 The organiser must sign and date the visitors' book stating the purpose of the visit and the number of persons involved.