

Lymestone Sailing Club Bylaws

Introduction

Welcome to Lymestone Sailing Club (LSC). Your participation in the Club's objectives is vital to the continued success of the Club. LSC functions only with the voluntary co-operation of its members. All members should expect to be requested to help with the running of the Club, either in its activities or the general upkeep and maintenance of its facilities.

1. Authority

- 1.1. The General Committee is responsible for raising Bylaws in accordance with paragraph 5.2 of the Club Rules. These Bylaws are intended to amplify these rules where appropriate and to assist the General Committee to clarify areas not necessarily defined within the Club's rules.

2. Financial Year

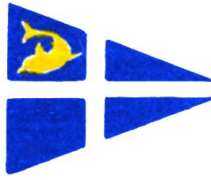
- 2.1. The Club's financial year runs from 1st October to 30th September.

3. Membership

- 3.1. The membership year runs from 1st January to 31st December.
- 3.2. The full annual membership will be payable irrespective of the date of joining in the year (See 3.5).
- 3.3. No refunds will be payable to members who leave the club or resign their membership part-way through a membership year.
- 3.4. A previous member may be re-elected without payment of the joining fee, providing the absence is within 5 years of the date of resignation, and at the discretion of the General Committee. This Bylaw will not apply, however, where a member has been removed from the membership list by the General Committee (usually for non-payment of subscriptions).
- 3.5. If a member joins the Club on or after 1st November, then a full membership fee will be paid at the going rate for the current membership year, but no membership fee will be levied for the membership year immediately following.
- 3.6. Juniors under 7 years of age at the start of the membership year can be added free to a membership. Juniors aged between 7 – 17 at the start of the membership year can be added to a Family Membership.
- 3.7. A Family Membership is limited to two adults aged over 17 living in the same household at the start of the membership year, there is no limit to the number of juniors (living in the same household as the adult member) that can be added to a Family Membership.
- 3.8. A member who has been removed from the membership list for non-payment of fees shall be reinstated upon payment of a fee equivalent to 50% of the current joining fee. This facility will expire 30 days before the end of the membership year, whereupon the full joining fee will become applicable.

4. Use of premises

- 4.1. All activities must be submitted to the Hon. Secretary in writing and logged in the club diary/calendar to avoid double bookings.
- 4.2. The General Committee will determine and maintain the hire charges which will be made available upon request.
- 4.3. Members will receive preferential rates for hire of the Club facilities.
- 4.4. Members will receive preference over non-members if the availability of the facilities is in doubt.
- 4.5. The use of the Club facilities, (not including the bar) by individuals, groups, or associations who are not exclusively club members (See 4.8) must be applied for in writing to the Hon. Secretary. The approval for such use will be at the discretion of the General Committee.
- 4.6. Hire of the Club facilities will extend to the following. In all cases, except for 4.6.3, a member must be nominated and accepted by the General Committee who will be held responsible for the event:



- 4.6.1. Members and the appropriate number of guests
- 4.6.2. Organisations with links to the Club
- 4.6.3. Non-member Lymptstone residents, excluding the bar.
(No keys will be provided, but someone will be nominated to unlock and prepare the premises beforehand, then check and lock the premises afterwards.)
- 4.6.4. Non-member Lymptstone residents, including the bar with special licence. An additional charge will be made for the special licence.
- 4.7. Use of the premises (including the bar) is in strict adherence with the Club rules.
- 4.8. Any member can open up the club premises for the sole use of club members if there is no prior booking. On such occasions the use of the bar must be in strict adherence of the Club Rules and the Club License. The Member opening the Club premises will take responsibility for ensuring that the premises are left clean and secure after everyone has left.
- 4.9. At no time must dogs or other domestic animals be allowed to enter the Club premises.

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