



RULES OF THE CENTARIAN REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION

1. NAME

The name of the association shall be the "Centarian Regimental Association", hereafter referred to as the "Association".

2. AIMS

- a) To provide an association for the mutual benefit of past members of the Cadet Unit at Christ's College, Finchley.
- b) To assist by all possible means in the activities of the Cadet Unit and to encourage the Association members to support all Cadet functions.
- c) To foster and encourage the continuance of the Cadet Unit at Christ's College.
- d) To support the aims and activities of the Old Finchleians' Club.
- e) To publish a magazine of the Association and the Cadet Unit.
- f) To promote social activities for its members.

3. CLUB

- a) The Association shall be a Section of the "Old Finchleians' Club" hereafter referred to as the "Club".
- b) The Club shall recognise the Association as an autonomous entity with the right to authorise its own Rules which shall be paramount within the Association. However, any alteration to the Rules of the Association relating to 'Membership' and 'Finance' shall require the approval of the Club.
- c) Rules 5c and 9c of the Club shall not be held to apply to the Association.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- a) Membership shall be open to all former members of the Cadet Unit at Christ's College who have left the school. Such persons shall be encouraged to become members of the Club.
- b) The Association shall pay to the Club, at a rate to be agreed, a fee in respect of any Association member not being a member of the Club who attends any Association function at Southover.
- c) Application for membership shall be made to the Honorary Secretary and is subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
- d) Honorary Members: Other persons who, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, have rendered a valuable contribution to the Cadet Unit or the Association, shall also be eligible for honorary membership upon invitation. Such membership shall not be subject to Rule 8. Honorary members will not be eligible to serve on the Executive Committee or have voting rights.
- e) Should the subscription of any member be twelve months or more in arrears, he is liable, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, to have his membership terminated.

f) Any member, whose conduct is considered by the Executive Committee to be detrimental to the interest of the Association, may have his membership suspended by the Committee until the next General Meeting of the Association when, by resolution of that meeting, his membership may be terminated and the matter referred to the Old Finchleians' Council.

5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

a) The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman; the Vice- Chairman; the Honorary Secretary; the Honorary Treasurer; the Honorary Social Secretary, the Honorary Magazine Secretary; the Honorary Membership Secretary and up to six other members.

b) The Executive Committee and Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall have the power to co-opt up to a further four members.

c) The Quorum shall be five members of whom at least two are to be elected Officers.

d) A Representative of the Cadet Unit, who is mutually acceptable to the Executive Committee and the Commanding Officer of the Cadet Unit, may be co-opted as the Liaison Officer onto the Executive Committee of the Association.

e) A nominated member of the Association shall be its Representative on the Old Finchleians' Council and the Southover Committee.

f) A nominated member of the Association shall be its Representative on the Stockdale Trust.

6. GENERAL MEETINGS

a) The Executive Committee shall have the power to summon a Special General Meeting.

b) The Honorary Secretary shall, on the written request of not less than twelve of the members of the Association, call a Special General Meeting within the following four weeks of that request.

c) Three weeks notice shall be given of all General Meetings.

d) All members, other than Honorary Members, shall be eligible to vote at General Meetings.

e) Matters other than those of election or report shall be eligible for postal votes providing such matters have been notified to all members at least seven days before the meeting. Postal votes shall be sent to the Secretary to reach him no later than twenty-four hours before the meeting.

f) The meeting shall appoint two Postal Vote Tellers to whom Postal Votes together with the current Membership List shall be handed. The Tellers then being responsible for casting the Postal Votes when counted and certified in order.

7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held within twelve months of the end of the Association's Financial Year. It shall elect the President; the Vice-Presidents; the Chairman; the Vice-Chairman; the Honorary Secretary; the Honorary Treasurer; the Honorary Social Secretary; the Honorary Magazine Secretary; the Honorary Membership Secretary and the members of the Executive Committee. The Annual General Meeting shall also appoint the Reporting Accountant.

b) The Rules for General Meetings shall apply.

c) The President of the Club shall be a Vice-President of the Association during his term of Presidential Office.

8. SUBSCRIPTIONS

a) The Annual Subscription of the Association shall be ten pounds. It shall be due on the first day of May each year.

- b) The Life Subscription shall be one hundred pounds.
- c) Annual Subscriptions should be payable by Bankers Order. Any member not wishing to pay by Bankers Order is requested to notify the Committee accordingly.
- d) New members will make the first bankers order payment in the May of the year following their nomination for membership being accepted.

9. FINANCE

- a) All subscriptions, donations, receipts from the sale of the Magazine and all other monies received by the Association, shall be paid into the bank for the credit of the Association's account. All such monies shall be passed to the Honorary Treasurer for accounting before being paid in.
- b) The Executive Committee shall have the power to expend any sum as they may determine desirable, providing the monies are to be used for the expenses and functions of the Association or for the publication of the Association's Magazine.
- c) All cheques or drafts drawn on the Account of the Association shall be signed by the Honorary Treasurer and countersigned by the Chairman or Honorary Secretary.
- d) The Association's Bankers shall be "Barclays Bank plc". The Association's financial year shall be from 1st April to 31st March.
- e) In the event of the Association being disbanded, ownership and control of all monies and assets belonging to the Association shall be transferred to the Cadet Unit.

10. ACCOUNTS

The Accounts of the Association, made up to 31st March, shall be presented to the Annual General Meeting after audit.

11. SECTIONS AND SUB-COMMITTEES

- a) The Executive Committee shall be empowered to form Sections within the Association as it deems necessary and to appoint Sub-Committees. The powers and composition of these Sub-Committees shall be determined by the Executive Committee.
- b) Sections and Sub-Committees shall be empowered to raise their own funds and to expend these funds subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

12. GENERAL

- a) No alteration, deletion or addition to the Rules of the Association shall be made except at an Annual or Special General Meeting and shall require the approval of two-thirds of those members voting, by person or by postal vote.
- b) The interpretation of the foregoing Rules shall be decided by the Executive Committee.

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Incorporating the following amendments:

- Rule 7 w.e.f. 1975 AGM
- Rules 4 and 8 w.e.f. 1976 AGM
- Rule 8 w.e.f. 1979 AGM
- Rules 5 and 9 w.e.f. 1987 AGM
- Rules 2 and 5 w.e.f. 1988 AGM
- Rule 8 w.e.f. 1990 AGM
- Rules 7, 8 & 9 w.e.f. 2001 AGM
- Rules 4, 5, 6, & 8 w.e.f. 2006 AGM
- Rules 5a & 7a w.e.f. 2010 AGM
- Rule 4d w.e.f. 2012 AGM