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BYE-LAWS
Rugby Football Section

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Cardiff

Cardiff 23546 (Office)
Cardiff 200821 (Club)

Name

1. The Section shall be called "The Cardiff Rugby Football Club" and shall comprise the Rugby Football Section of the Cardiff Athletic Club.

Interpretation

2. In these bye-laws the expression "The Athletic Club" shall mean the "Cardiff Athletic Club"; the expression "The Club" shall mean the "Cardiff Rugby Football Club"; the expression "The Committee" shall mean the Committee of the Club; the expression "The Rules" shall mean the Rules of the Athletic Club; the expression "The Bye-Laws" shall mean the Bye-Laws of the Club; the expression "The Secretary" shall mean the General Secretary of the Athletic Club; the expression the "Hon. Secretary" shall mean the Hon. Secretary of the Club.

Playing Rules

3. The Playing Rules shall be those of the Welsh Rugby Union.

Colours

4. The Colours of the Club shall be Cambridge Blue and Black.

Membership

5. Members of the Club shall be :—
- (a) Life Members of the Athletic Club.
 - (b) Such Ordinary and Junior Members of the Athletic Club as shall be elected members of the Club.
 - (c) Playing Members.
 - (d) Temporary Members, whom the Committee shall have power to accept on such terms as the Management Committee of the Athletic Club shall think fit.

Subscriptions

6. The Entrance Fees and Subscriptions for all classes of Members shall be as fixed from time to time by the Management Committee of the Athletic Club in accordance with Rule 6.

Membership Register

7. A register of the names and addresses of Members shall be kept by the Secretary, and Members shall inform the Secretary in writing of any change of address. All communications (including Membership Tickets) shall be deemed to have been duly sent if posted in a prepaid envelope to the address appearing in the Register of Members, and proof of posting shall be deemed to be proof of receipt.

The Committee

8. The management of the affairs of the Club shall be vested in a Committee consisting of the Captain, Captain of the Athletic XV, and fifteen other Members.

The Committee shall, subject to the Rules and these Bye-Laws, have full control over the affairs and conduct of the Club, including the power to make regulations covering matters not dealt with by the said Rules and/or Bye-laws, and shall have power to fill any casual vacancy which may occur among the Committee. Seven shall form a quorum.

The Officers

9. The Officers of the Club shall be the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, and the Captain.

Chairman

10. The Chairman shall preside at all General and Committee Meetings. In his absence the Vice-Chairman shall preside. If both these officers are absent, a deputy shall be elected from among those Committee members present.

Secretary and Honorary Secretary

11. The Secretary shall attend all General and Committee Meetings and be responsible for the minutes thereof. He shall be responsible for such correspondence of the Club as

does not fall within the scope of the Honorary Secretary of the Club. He shall also be responsible for presenting copies of the minutes of all General and Committee Meetings, together with any application on behalf of the Club to the Management Committee of the Athletic Club as soon as is practicable.

Nominations for Office

12. Nominations for the office of Captain and for membership of the Committee must be duly proposed and seconded by members of the Club, must be accompanied by the written willingness of the candidate to accept office if elected, and must be delivered at the Club Office on or before April 16th.

Termination of Office

13. All officers and members of the Committee shall retire at the Annual General Meeting of the Club held next after their election or appointment as the case may be, but shall be eligible for re-election.

General Meeting

14. (a) The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held in the month of May in each year for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report of the Officers, of electing the Captain and members of the Committee for

the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any business relative to the Club of which notice shall have been given to the Hon. Secretary on or before April 16th, and such other business as the Chairman may deem desirable. Fifty members present shall form a quorum.

- (b) An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be held as and when considered necessary by the Committee or upon receipt by the Hon. Secretary of a written requisition signed by at least fifty members setting out the object of the meeting.
- (c) Fourteen clear days notice of all General Meetings shall be given by prepaid post to the last known address of each member of the Club.
- (d) The election of the Captain and members of the Committee shall be made by ballot. In the case of the Captain no candidate shall be elected unless he receives a majority of the votes cast. If necessary successive ballots shall be held, the candidate receiving the fewest votes being eliminated at each ballot. In the case of the Committee, the

members elected shall be the fifteen members who have received the most votes of all the candidates.

- (e) Scrutineers shall be appointed at the meetings.
- (f) Voting on other matters shall be by a show of hands, and in the event of the Chairman or not fewer than twenty-five members present requiring a count, such count shall be taken by the scrutineers.

Committee Meetings

- 15. (a) Seven members present shall form a quorum.
- (b) At its first meeting after the Annual General Meeting of the Club, the Committee shall elect its Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Honorary Secretary, and such Sub-Committees as it thinks fit.
- (c) In accordance with Rule 12 of the Athletic Club, the Committee shall elect a Member to serve on the Management Committee of the Athletic Club.
- (d) The Committee may appoint a member of the Club to fill a casual vacancy on the Committee.

- (e) Decisions at all General and Committee Meetings shall be by a bare majority unless otherwise provided in these Bye-laws. At Committee Meetings the Chairman or his duly appointed Deputy shall be entitled to a casting vote only in the event of a tie, but at General Meetings he shall at all times be entitled to vote and in addition, in the event of a tie, he shall be entitled to a casting vote whether he shall have voted already or not.

- (f) The Committee shall nominate to the Management Committee of the Athletic Club those players whom they wish to become Playing Members under Rule 5(f).

Ballots

- 16. (a) Any Ballot Paper on which the Member has not voted for as many candidates as there are vacancies shall be deemed to be "spoiled" and none of the votes on it shall be counted.
- (b) The Secretary shall retain all Ballot Papers for one month, and any candidate shall have the right to

demand a scrutiny of the papers in the presence of two Committee Members who shall be appointed by the Committee for the purpose. The application for a scrutiny must be made in writing. The figures resulting from the scrutiny shall be held to decide the election.

Vice-Captain

17. The Vice-Captain shall be nominated by the Captain, but the appointment is the prerogative of the Committee.

Captain of Athletic XV

18. The Captain of the Athletic XV or any subsidiary XV shall be appointed by the Football Committee.

Indemnity of Committee

19. The members of the Committee shall have the right of indemnity against the Athletic Club in respect of any action brought against them for any acts done or omitted to have been done by them when acting as members of the Committee so long as such acts or omissions were within the scope of their authority as Members of the Committee.

Misconduct of Members

20. The Committee shall have power to recommend to the Management Committee the expulsion or suspension from membership of the Athletic Club any member of the Club who they may consider has wilfully broken the Bye-laws of the Club or who has been guilty of unseemly conduct.

Application

21. No Bye-law or regulation contrary to any rule of the Athletic Club shall be binding on any member of the Club, and in all cases throughout these Bye-laws the masculine shall be deemed to include the feminine unless the context shows clearly that this is not intended.

Alteration of Bye-laws

22. (a) The wording of any proposed addition, deletion, or amendment to these Bye-laws which it is desired should be considered at any Annual General Meeting must be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretary on or before April 16th, so that notice of the proposed addition, deletion, or amendment may be given in the notice convening the Meeting.

(b) Other than in accordance with the provision of Rule 12(c) and Rule 16, these Bye-laws may only be altered, rescinded, or added to at a General Meeting, and then only provided the provisions of Bye-laws 14 and 22(a) have been observed and also that two-thirds of those present and voting vote in favour of the resolution before the meeting.

Capped Kaysers.

Kaysers on list for 2 yrs.

July, 1957.

