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1.—NAME. The Club shall be called "The Cardiff Athletic Club," and shall include such sections as the Management Committee shall from time to time decide.

2.—OBJECTS. The objects of the Club shall be the pursuit of any amateur game and the provision of such social amenities for the members as are approved by the Management Committee.

3.—COLOURS. The Club colours shall be Cambridge Blue and Black.

4.—FINANCIAL YEAR. The Financial Year shall begin on May 1st in each year.

5.—MEMBERS. The members of the Club shall be:—

(a) Life Members:

(b) Ordinary Members;

(c) Honorary Members;

(d) Junior Members;

(e) Temporary Members.

(a) LIFE MEMBERS shall be those persons who on May 31st, 1932, held shares in the

Cardiff Arms Park Co. Ltd., to the nominal value of at least £25, or such persons as may have been admitted or may be admitted to this privilege upon such terms and conditions as the Management Committee may from time to time determine, it being understood that the privileges of existing Life Members as on the 11th December, 1945, are in no way prejudiced or diminished by any of these Rules.

- (b) ORDINARY MEMBERS shall be those persons who, after election as members of the Club, continue to conform with the provisions of these Rules.
- (c) HONORARY MEMBERS. The Management Committee shall be entitled to confer the privilege of Honorary Membership on any person who, in its opinion, merits this honour and such Honorary Member shall enjoy the full rights of membership.
- (d) JUNIOR MEMBERS shall be persons who are not older than 21 nor younger than 15. Junior Members may not vote at any meeting of the Club, whether General or Sectional, nor, if they are under the prescribed age, may they enter any bar on the ground or premises of the Club.
- (e) TEMPORARY MEMBERS. The Management Committee shall have power to admit any person as a Temporary Member. Such Temporary Member shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership except that he shall

ALTERATION OF RULES.

Rule 5 A to be inserted immediately above Rule 6, page 3.

5 A Sectional Membership. No Member, other than a Life Member, shall be a Member of any particular section, unless, and until he is elected a Member of that section in accordance with its byelaws.

To be inserted immediately after Rule 5 (e), page 1.

- (f) Football Playing Members.
- (g) Country Members.

To be inserted immediately after Rule 5 (e) and immediately before 5 A, page 3.

- (f) Football Playing Members shall be persons who are regular football players, certified each season as such by the Committee of the Football section.
- (g) Country Members shall be persons who normally reside outside a radius of 50 miles from Cardiff.

not be qualified to be an officer of the Club, or a member of any committee, or to vote at any meeting, or to claim any share of the property of the Club upon its dissolution. In particular any person, at any time, who is not otherwise a member of the Club and who is taking part in any athletic activity, either on the ground or premises, or connected with any Club or body of persons taking part in any athletic activity either on the ground or premises, shall, at the discretion of the Management Committee, be deemed to be a Temporary Member.

6.—SUBSCRIPTIONS. The Entrance Fees and Subscriptions for all classes of members and the charges for season tickets and for admission to individual matches shall be as fixed from time to time by the Management Committee.

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7.—ELECTION OF MEMBERS. Every applicant for Ordinary or Junior Membership of the Club shall be nominated by two members who shall sign the nomination form after filling in the particulars required on it. For at least seven days before the election the nomination form shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the Club's premises and any member wishing to object to the election of any applicant for membership shall, before the date of the election, hand to the Secretary a written statement addressed to the Management Committee setting forth his reasons for such objection. Members shall be elected at the discretion of the Management Committee who

shall have the power, should they think fit, to void any election in the event of any omission or inaccuracy on the nomination form. Every member shall receive a written notice of his election, which notice shall set forth particulars of the amount of entrance fee and subscription due. Should the member fail to pay the amount due within fourteen days from the date of the notice of election the Management Committee may, if it thinks fit, declare the election void.

8-EXPULSION OF MEMBERS, Any member guilty of a breach of these Rules, or of any byelaw or regulation which may be prescribed by the Management Committee, or being guilty of misconduct or otherwise acting in a manner deemed inconsistent with the interests of the Club. may by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting at a meeting of the Management Committee called for that purpose. or for which special notice has been given, at which meeting the member concerned shall have the right to appear, be expelled from the Club or suspended for such period as the Management Committee may think fit. Any person so expelled shall thereupon cease to be a member and forfeit all rights as such. Seven clear days' notice shall be given of any such meeting of the Management Committee.

9.—SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS. Any member whose conduct is such as may render him liable to expulsion or suspension for a period may be suspended forthwith until his case has

been considered by the Management Committee in accordance with the provisions of Rule 8. Pending the operation of Rule 8 a member may be suspended for a period not exceeding fourteen days on the decision of not fewer than three members of the Management Committee.

10.—TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP. Any member may resign his membership by giving notice of his resignation to the Secretary in writing. The Management Committee may terminate the membership of any person who, after receiving due notice in writing from the Secretary that he is in arrears with his subscription, fails to pay such subscription within fourteen days of such notice, in which circumstance the provisions of Rule 8 shall not apply. Any person ceasing to be a member of the Club, whether by resignation or otherwise, shall forfeit all rights as such.

11.—TRUSTEES. The property and assets of the Club shall be vested in not fewer than four trustees, who shall be subject to such direction as they may from time to time receive from the Management Committee. A Trustee shall hold office until he resigns or ceases to be a member of the Club, or is removed from office by a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting at a meeting of the Management Committee called for that purpose, or for which special notice has been given, at which meeting the trustee concerned shall have the right to appear. Seven clear days' notice shall be given of any such meeting of the

Management Committee. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the office of trustee which results in the number of trustees being reduced to fewer than four, the Management Committee shall at its next meeting after the occurrence of such vacancy nominate for appointment as a new Trustee a member of the Club and such member shall, as soon as practicable thereafter, be appointed by the surviving Trustees as a new Trustee to act jointly with them.

- 12. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. management and control of the property of the Club shall be in the hands of the Management Committee, which shall consist of the Trustees, who shall be permanent members, and twelve others, together with one representative nominated by each Section. The members of the Management Committee, other than the Trustees and Sectional Representatives, shall, subject to rotation, hold office for three years. At the end of every year one-third shall retire and may offer themselves for re-election. Each Sectional Representative shall be nominated in accordance with the rules of the Section he represents. The Management Committee shall have full power and control over the property, funds, conduct and affairs of the Club, and in particular and without derogation from the general powers thus vested in them, shall have full power to:
- (a) Appoint, suspend and dismiss the Secretary or any paid servant of the Club.
- (b) Require any Member or other person occasioning any damage to the property of the

- Club, either wilfully or through improper use, to cause the same to be replaced, or made good, as it shall decide.
- (c) Make, alter or revoke all bye-laws and regulations relative to the use of the property of the Club and to the government of the Club and its various sections, provided that such bye-laws and regulations thus made, altered, or revoked are not inconsistent with these Rules.
- (d) Fill any casual vacancy which may occur on the Management Committee. The person thus appointed shall take the place of the person he replaces only until the next Annual General Meeting of the members of the Club.
- (e) At the first meeting after the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Club, the Management Committee shall appoint its Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the year, and fix its quorum and select and appoint the Chairman and Members of the Finance Committee, of the House Committee, and such other Standing Committees as it shall determine, all of whose tenure of office may be terminated at any time at the discretion of the Management Committee. Only a member of the Management Committee shall be eligible for appointment as a member of the Finance Committee, but any member of the Club shall be eligible for appointment as a member of any other Standing Committee. The decisions of the Management and all Standing Committees

shall be by a bare majority unless otherwise stated in these Rules. In the event of a tie the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote whether he shall already have voted or not.

- (f) The House Committee shall be responsible for the provision of food and refreshment and the fixing of all charges to be made in respect thereof.
- (g) Members of the Management Committee shall be ex-officio members of all Sectional Committees with full voting powers, except in the selection of teams.

13.—ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COM-MITTEE.

- (a) Candidates for seats on the Management Committee must have been members of the Club for at least the twelve months immediately prior to the date of the Meeting at which the election takes place.
- (b) Candidates must be nominated and seconded in writing by two members. The nomination papers together with the written consent of the candidates to accept office, if elected, must reach the Secretary's office not earlier than July 1st, or later than July 31st, in any year.
- (c) Voting shall be by ballot and the vacancies on the Committee shall be filled by those candidates equal in number to the number of vacancies who have secured most votes of all the candidates. Of the candidates thus elected

the regular vacancies shall be filled by those candidates equal in number to these vacancies who are at the top of the poll of successful candidates; the casual vacancies for two years shall be filled by those candidates equal in number to these vacancies who are next on the poll, and the casual vacancies for one year by those candidates equal in number to these vacancies who are at the bottom of the poll of successful candidates.

- (d) Each member shall have one vote for each vacancy on the Committee. The ballot paper of any member voting for more or fewer candidates than there are vacancies shall be deemed to be spoilt.
- (e) Scrutineers shall be appointed by the Meeting for the purpose of scrutinising the ballot and counting the votes.

14.—OFFICERS. The Officers of the Club shall be the President who shall hold office for three years, and the Vice-Presidents, who shall hold office for one year. They shall be nominated through the Management Committee and submitted for election at the Annual General Meeting and may on re-nomination be re-elected at the termination of their period of office. There shall also be a General Secretary who shall be appointed by the Management Committee, and who, subject to control in all things by the Management Committee, shall be responsible to that Committee for the general supervision of all sections of the Club.

15.—AUDITORS. Professional Accountants shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting to act as Auditors for the ensuing year. They shall have access to all the books and accounts, funds and effects of the Club, and shall submit the Annual Accounts in the first instance to the Management Committee and subsequently to the Annual General Meeting. No Officer of the Club or member of the Management Committee shall be eligible to serve as an Auditor.

16.—SECTIONS. The Sections of the Club shall make such sectional bye-laws and regulations as they deem necessary provided that these are not contrary to these Rules, but they shall not become operative until they have received the approval of the Management Committee, who may from time to time require any section to add, alter or revoke any sectional bye-law or regulation.

17.—INDEMNITY. The Trustees and members of the Management Committee shall have a right of indemnity against and reimbursement out of the funds and property of the Club in respect of any claim brought against them with regard to acts done, or omitted, in their representative capacity, so long as such acts or omissions were within the scope of their authority.

18.—GENERAL MEETINGS.

(a) An Annual General Meeting of the members of the Club shall be held in each year on such date in the month of September as the Management Committee shall determine, for the purpose

of receiving the Annual Report and the Annual Accounts, of electing the officers and members of the Management Committee in accordance with the provisions of these Rules, of appointing Auditors and generally of transacting such business of the Club as it may be necessary or desirable to bring before a General Meeting.

- (b) Extraordinary General Meetings of the Club shall be held as and when considered necessary by the Management Committee or upon a written request by at least 50 members of the Club.
- (c) Seven clear days' notice of all General Meetings shall be given by circular sent by pre-paid post to the last address of each member as furnished by him to the Secretary. Such circular shall be deemed to have been received on the day after the date of posting.
- (d) No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting of the Club except such as shall be set out in the notice calling such meeting, or as shall be allowed by the Chairman as fairly arising out of the Agenda.

19.—VISITORS. Subject to such conditions as the Management Committee shall determine from time to time, members may introduce visitors to any part of the Club's premises or property which is not specifically reserved for the sole use of members. The Management Committee shall have the right to withdraw this general privilege or refuse admission to any particular visitor without

giving any reason for its action. Members introducing a visitor shall be responsible for entering his name in the Visitors' Book. No visitor shall be supplied with excisable liquor except on the invitation of and in the company of a member. No visitor shall be permitted to order or pay for any excisable liquor. Visitors must leave the Club before or at the same time as the members introducing them.

20.—GAMBLING. All gambling is prohibited on the Club's premises.

21.—BUSINESS HOURS. The Club Premises shall be open for the sale of excisable liquor from 12 noon to 2.30 p.m., and from 4.30 to 10 p.m. each day with the exception of Sundays, Christmas Day and Good Friday, when they shall be open from 12 noon to 2 p.m., and from 6.30 to 9.30 p.m. The House Committee shall, however, have power at any time to extend these hours in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Section 1 of the Licensing Act 1921, and further to extend such hours on such special occasions as may be sanctioned.

22.—EMPLOYEES.—No manager or servant employed by the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of excisable liquors therein or in the profits arising from such sale.

23.—CIRCULATION OF RULES. Copies of the Rules of the Club shall be kept in the Public Rooms for the purpose of reference and circulated to each member on election.

25.—ALTERATION OF RULES. These Rules shall not be altered, rescinded or added to except by a resolution carried by two-thirds of those present and voting at a General Meeting on a motion, notice of which, with the names of the proposer and seconder, shall have been given in writing to the Secretary at least 21 days before the date of such meeting, and be duly notified in a circular calling such meeting.

Note.—These Rules, with the exception of Rule 13 (a), came into force on the 11th December, 1945. Rule 13 (a) comes into force on 1st October, 1946.

