

Craig Y Don Bowling Club

(Founded 1914)

Rules and Constitution

(Revised Edition - 5th November 2021)

1. The Club shall be named the Craig Y Don Bowling Club and membership of the club shall be restricted at the direction of the Executive Committee.
2. The **main purposes of the Club** are to provide facilities for and to promote participation in the amateur sport of Bowling.
3. **The Club is committed to promote and sustain equal opportunities** and abides by the policies detailed in the Craig-Y-Don Sports and Community Centre policy dated 20th April 2002.
4. The entire **management of the Club**, except otherwise provided by these rules shall be delegated to an Executive Committee to be appointed at the Annual General Meeting. The Executive Committee will comprise of seven officers i.e. President, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and four subscribing members, two of whom will retire annually and will be eligible for re-election. The Executive Committee may co-opt any member, or members, onto the committee as and when a vacancy occurs and that member or members shall be confirmed as the next Annual General Meeting.

All questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of those present and entitled to vote. In the event of a tie for votes cast the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

Four members shall form a quorum at all committee meetings and twenty members at the Annual General Meeting.

5. **The Annual General Meeting** shall be held at a date fixed by the Executive Committee after the green is closed for the season, but before the last day of February in the following year.
6. **The notice of the Annual General Meeting**, along with a statement of accounts, shall be forwarded to every full member at least fourteen days clear, before the meeting. Any notice of motion must be received by the Secretary at least seven days clear, before the meeting. Every full member present at the meeting is entitled to have one vote upon every motion and in the event of a tie the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

7. **The Accounting (Financial) Year** shall end on the 31st December.
8. A **Special General Meeting** may be called by the Hon. Secretary when directed by the Executive Committee or when in receipt of a requisition signed by twenty members of the Club, stating the object for which the meeting has been called. At least seven days' notice of such a meeting, specifying the business proposed to be transacted, shall be forwarded to every full member of the Club. No other business shall be transacted at such meeting.

9. **Annual Subscriptions:**

Amendment to Constitution & Rules:

Annual General Meeting held at St. David's Church on Monday 30 January 2023:

11. Review of constitution & rules (alteration to item 9 on the constitution & rules)

Full season - £70.00 (7 months March to October-two part months)

3 months - £35.00 (from 1st August to close of summer green in October)

2 months - £18.00 (from 1st September to close of summer green in October)

1 month - £8.00 (from 1st October to close-part month only)

Registered League members - £73.00

Country members - £35.00

Junior members - £5.00

Social members - £5.00

Student member - £10.00

Or as amended at a future Annual General Meeting.

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10. A **full member may invite a visitor to play free of charge** to three sessions during the season. That visitor cannot be signed in by any other member under this rule. Any visitor having played three times under this rule must then be invited to apply to become a full or country member, or pay the current green fee. All visitors' names must be entered into a visitor's book.
11. All **members wishing to resign** their membership must give written notice to the Hon. Secretary.
12. **New members.** Membership of the Club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport on application, regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs, except as a necessary consequence of the requirements of Bowling.

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The Club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non-discriminatory and fair basis. The Club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.

The Club committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the members.

13. **Country membership.** Any member living outside a 25-mile radius of Llandudno may apply for Country membership. A country member is not eligible to play or represent Craig Y Don Bowling Club in any league or Club competition, with the exception of friendly games. Members wishing to play for the league or Club competitions are required to pay full membership subscription. In addition Country membership does not confer the right to vote at an Annual General Meeting.
14. **Team Captains.** Will be elected annually, by members at the Annual General Meeting using the normal voting procedure. Captains will select their own Vice-Captain who will automatically succeed as Captain the following season. The Captain and Vice-Captain are responsible for team selection and have full control of the order of play and conduct of play, on the green during matches.
15. **The green will open for play** from 2.0pm on the third Saturday of March for all playing members. The green will remain open until close of play on the last Saturday of October. These dates are subject to the proviso that the final decision rests with the greens committee and could be altered in the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances.
16. **No betting is allowed.**
17. **No smoking is allowed** on the green or in the Clubhouse.
18. **Permission for the exclusive use of the green and Clubhouse** by outside parties shall be determined by the Executive Committee. Existing arrangements for use by the WCGBA and other organizations will be maintained.
19. **Visiting parties.** There will be a charge of £50 per session. For evening meetings the charge is £2 per player with a minimum charge of £20. Such sessions are subject to agreement by the Executive Committee. The above charges may be amended at a future Annual General Meeting.
20. **Misconduct.** Any complaints against any member for violation of the rules, or unseemly conduct, shall be made in writing to the Hon. Secretary and will be considered by the Executive Committee whose decision shall be final. If the charges,

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in their opinion are sufficiently grave, they shall have the power to call upon the member/s concerned to resign their membership of the Club.

- 21. **These rules are binding upon all members** and can only be altered at an Annual General Meeting. Any notice to amend these rules must be sent in writing to the Hon. Secretary before the 15th December preceding the Annual General Meeting.
- 22. **The Executive Committee shall** have the power to make Bye-Laws for the regulation of play and the general management of the Club and may alter or amend such Bye-Laws from time to time as they think fit and such Bye-Laws shall be binding on all members. A copy of all such Bye-Laws shall be posted in the Clubhouse.
- 23. **Trustees.** The property of the Club shall be invested in three trustees who shall be elected by the Executive Committee and shall hold office until death or resignation or be removed from office by a resolution of the Executive Committee. Trustees will be Ex Officio members of the Executive Committee.

The current Trustees are Mr Gareth Hughes, Mr Peter Thompson, Mrs Betty Hall, Mrs Audrey Edwards (Retired)

- 24. **Competitions.** Any member who has entered their name into a Club competition and then withdraws from that competition after the draw for opponents has been made and has not given an acceptable reason for such withdrawal to a member of the competition committee shall be barred from the next three subsequent competitions for which they may have been eligible.
- 25. **A list of officers and committee members** along with all bowling fixtures shall be posted in the Clubhouse for the ensuing season.
- 26. **Dissolution.** Upon dissolution of the Club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another registered ‘CASC’, a registered charity or the sport’s governing body for use by them in related community sports.

All surplus income or profits are to be reinvested in the Club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members of third parties.

- 27. **A copy of the Rules and Constitution** will be available in the Clubhouse and will be sent with a welcoming letter to each new member.

Signed: Mrs Jacquetta S Lyons, Club Secretary

Signed: Mr Barry Page, Club Treasurer

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