

**ASTLEY & TYLDESLEY**

**MINERS' WELFARE**

**Cycle Speedway Club**

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# **ASTLEY & TYLDESLEY CYCLE SPEEDWAY CLUB**

## **CONSTITUTION**

### TITLE

The club shall be known as the Astley & Tyldesley Cycle Speedway Club, herein after referred to as the Club.

### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To provide and promote community participation in cycle speedway racing for all interested parties, using the track located adjacent to the Astley & Tyldesley Miners' Welfare Club, Meanley Road, Gin Pit, Tyldesley as the Club's base.
2. To develop and foster a spirit of comradeship and loyalty to the Club and its members.
3. To promote the highest standards of sportsmanship and to uphold the sport's ruling bodies' regulations, both in letter and in spirit.
4. To develop and encourage riders to enable them to fulfill their potential, both in individual and team events.
5. To continually strive to upgrade the Club's status and facilities for the broader benefit of the sport.
6. To safeguard the future of the Club within the sport's ruling bodies' rules and regulations.
7. To ensure a duty of care to all members of the Club.
8. To ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment.

### CLUB MEETINGS

The Club shall hold an annual general meeting for the election of officers who shall form the Club Committee and serve for a period of one year. Only fully paid up members are entitled to cast a vote at the annual general meeting. In addition, the Committee shall convene Club and/or Committee meetings at their discretion. Constitutional amendments shall require a two-thirds majority of persons present who are eligible to vote and can only be passed at an annual or extraordinary general meeting. Changes to rules and regulations, or any other matters arising, shall require a simple majority of persons present who are eligible to vote.

### COMMITTEE

The Chairman shall head the Club.

The Secretary shall provide administrative services to the Club.

The Treasurer shall maintain the Club's accounts and be responsible for the collection of income due to the Club, and the payment of expenditure incurred by the Club.

The Team Manager(s) shall be responsible for the selection of teams for Club events, the organisation of the recruitment, training, coaching, discipline and motivation of riders, working closely with the Club's Coach(es).

The Club Captain shall liaise between the Team Manager(s) and the riders.

The Development Officer(s) shall be responsible for enhancing the status and facilities of the Club.

The Track Manager shall be responsible for the maintenance and general upkeep of the Club's facilities and equipment.

The Club Welfare Officer shall be responsible for ensuring the well-being of club members whilst participating in club activities.

The Committee shall be responsible for ensuring the efficient operation of the Club and may allocate specific duties to non-Committee members as appropriate.

Duties are described in greater detail in the Club's Job Descriptions and Match Day Officials' Duties documents.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to all interested parties without discrimination in either an administrative, competitive or supporting capacity. The Club may refuse membership or expel from membership only for good and sufficient cause, such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against such a decision may be made to the Club's members and decided by a majority vote. All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the Club will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of conduct that the Club has adopted.

#### CHARGES

Users shall be liable for Track Access / Equipment Hire charges, which will be set by the Committee before the commencement of the season. Charges will be paid per session.

#### FEES

An annual fee is payable for members aged 18 and over, to cover membership of the Astley & Tyldesley Miners' Welfare Club. Junior members aged under 18 have free membership of the Cycle Speedway Club.

All racing members shall be liable for registration, affiliation and entry fees to the sport's ruling bodies. The appropriate fees will be paid in full in advance of the competition(s). In the event of non-payment, racing members will be unable to participate in the competition(s) in question.

#### NON-PROFIT MAKING

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

#### DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Club, any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another registered Community Amateur Sports Club, a registered charity or the sport's governing body, for use by them in community related sports.

Constitution approved 12th December 2007.

