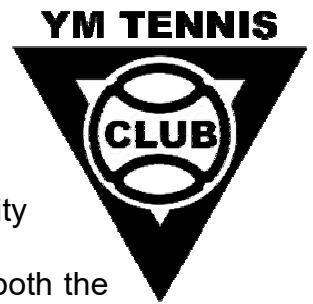


YM TENNIS CLUB CONSTITUTION



Name This shall be the YM Tennis Club

Objectives The object of the Club is to promote Tennis in the community

Membership Members shall be affiliated to the LTA and are bound by both the Club rules and those of the leagues where the Club is represented

Application for membership will be by an Application Form and approved at a Committee Meeting. Prospective new members may play at three Club sessions for a nominal charge before joining as a full member.

Each member shall pay a subscription to the Tennis Club, the amount set at the Annual General Meeting, which is held in March each year.

Subscriptions must be paid by the 1st June each year so that members can represent the Club in match-play and enter the draw for the right to purchase Wimbledon tickets. The Committee can waive this rule where special circumstances apply.

To resign a member should write to the Secretary.

Any member guilty of misconduct (ie: behaviour contrary to the Constitution and the Club rules) may be cautioned once or expelled from the Club by a majority decision at a Committee Meeting.

Any person expelled will have the right of appeal to the Management Committee called at his/her request not later than two weeks from the date of expulsion.

The Committee shall have the power to expel any member whose subscription is four months in arrears and they may advise the Ipswich & District League of non-payment.

Management The Management Committee shall consist of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Men's and Ladies' Captains, plus up to eight other officers who are all elected at the Annual General Meeting.

An honorary President may also be chosen at the AGM.

The Management Committee shall hold Committee Meetings at least three times per year.

A quorum for the Committee Meeting shall be five.

All decisions by majority vote; the Chairman will have the casting vote in the event of a tie.

The Committee has the power to co-opt extra members up to a limit of three, to create Trustees and for a Sub-Committee as and when it is considered necessary.

The accounts for the previous twelve months are to be prepared by a suitably qualified Accountant and approved at the AGM each year.

**Annual
General Meeting**

The AGM will be held in March each year and the following business undertaken:-

- New motions, including the nominations of new officers, must be sent to the Secretary at least fourteen days before the AGM, in order that the Secretary can include them on the agenda
- One quarter of members will constitute a quorum
- The Minutes of the last AGM to be approved by the meeting and signed by the Chairman or the nominated deputy.
- The Secretary's Report will be presented
- Accounts to be presented by the Treasurer and approved
- Election of Officers
- Rules may be changed by majority decision
- The Chairman will have the casting vote
- Arrangements for the playing season ahead

**Amendments
to the
Constitution**

The Management Committee, by a majority vote at a quorum meeting, may propose an amendment to the Constitution. The changes may only be ratified at the AGM or an extraordinary general meeting, called for that purpose. Two weeks notice must be given for the EGM. A quorum shall consist of one quarter of the membership. If the motion is passed by a majority vote, the amendment to the Constitution will be adopted.

Alternatively, twelve ordinary paid-up members may petition the Secretary in writing to call an EGM, in which conditions in the previous paragraph will apply with respect to calling a meeting and voting at it.

Voting rights as at AGM.

Dissolution

The Management Committee, by majority vote at a quorum meeting, may decide to dissolve the Club. They must then call an EGM, giving two weeks notice to all Club members. If the motion is passed by a majority vote the Club is then dissolved.

Voting rights as at AGM.

Upon dissolution any funds remaining after all debts have been paid will be donated to another tennis Club (fully absorbed merger by a larger Club) or to a local charity for the promotion of tennis.

This Constitution was adopted at the Annual General Meeting.

LTA incorporation 2011-12

LTA Disciplinary Code adopted

AMENDMENT OF CLUB NAME 2015 formally adopted at 2016 AGM

Date **2nd March 2016**

Chairman Alan Beniston _____

Secretary Lisa Jacobs _____