## **REIGATE AND REDHILL NORTH DOWNS MOTOR CLUB**

# **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

#### Objects

The Reigate and Redhill North Downs Motor Club, founded in 1935, has for its objects the encouragement and protection of motorcycle interests. The Club endeavours to meet the requirements of the sporting Trials rider by organising various competitive and social events throughout the year.

# Membership

Motorcyclists desirous of joining the Club should apply to any Member of the Committee with whom they are acquainted or directly to the Membership Secretary in accordance with Rule 11.

#### RULES

- 1. The Club shall be called the Reigate and Redhill North Downs Motor Club and shall have for its interests the encouragement and protection of motorcycle interests.
- 2. The Club shall be run in accordance with the requirements of the Auto-Cycle Union.
- 3. The Club shall be essentially a members club and shall be conducted independently of any personal interests.
- 4. The Club shall be governed by a Committee normally consisting of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Competition Secretary, Assistant Competition Secretary, Social Secretary, Membership Secretary, Club Publications Editor, and such number of other Members of the Committee as the Committee may determine from time to time.
- 5. The Committee shall meet on such dates each year as they may determine, and five Members of the Committee present at a meeting shall form a quorum. The following provisions will apply in relation to the Committee:
  - 5.1 all decisions will be taken by a simple majority of the Members of the Committee present and voting on the particular matter. In the event of a tied vote, the Chairman will have a casting vote;
  - 5.2 the Committee may delegate any of their powers, duties and discretions to any person or persons as they may determine from time to time, and may revoke any such delegation at any time;
  - 5.3 the Committee shall be elected for the year at the Annual General Meeting. Should any Member of the Committee resign, die, be suspended or otherwise become unable to act, then the Committee shall have authority to co-opt a replacement to act for the remainder of the year;

- 5.4 if the Committee determines that one or more additional Members of the Committee are required in accordance with Rule 4, then such additional Members of the Committee shall not have authority to vote on matters of Club business until such time as their appointment is approved by Club members at either the Annual General Meeting, or at an Extraordinary General Meeting convened in accordance with Rule 6.
- 6. An Annual General Meeting shall be held at a convenient location decided upon by the Committee in February of each year, or such other date as the Committee may decide from time to time. Extraordinary General Meetings may be convened by the Committee or on the written requisition of not less than 20 Club members. At least fourteen days written notice shall be given to all Club members of either an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting and 20 Club members present at any such meeting shall form a quorum.
- If any Club member desires a matter be brought forward at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting the text of such matter shall be sent to the Secretary at least 7 days before the date of such meeting, so that it may be included in the Agenda.
- 8. At all Annual General Meetings or Extraordinary General Meetings a simple majority of Club members present and voting shall decide a Resolution, the Chairman having a casting vote in the case of even voting.
- 9. The Committee shall present at each Annual General Meeting a Report and Statement of Accounts, which shall have been duly certified by the Auditor elected at the previous Annual General Meeting.
- 10. The Committee shall not make any alteration to these Rules without the authority of agreement at an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting.
- 11. Persons wishing to become Club members or to renew their membership of the Club are required to submit their application on the Club Membership Form with their Annual Membership Subscription. The rate of the Annual Membership Subscription shall be decided each year by the Committee and shall be due for payment to the Treasurer or Membership Secretary on the first day of January and by no later than the last day of January. The subscription of new Club members shall be submitted with their Club Membership Form and shall be for the period to the 31<sup>st</sup> December of the year in which they apply to join in such proportion to the Annual Membership Subscription as the Committee shall decide. If the Committee believe it is in the best interests of the Club, they shall have power at any meeting of the Committee to reject any application for membership or renewal of membership after full and due consideration, by resolution supported by at least two-thirds of the Committee present.
- 12. There shall also be grades of membership of Honorary Member and Honorary Life Member. Honorary Members shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting following written nomination lodged with the Secretary not less than 7 days before the date of the meeting. Honorary Members shall not be entitled to vote on matters of Club business. Honorary Life Members shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting only after a written nomination signed by not less than three Club members has been lodged with the Secretary not less than 7 days before the date of the meeting and such nomination has been approved by simple majority of the Committee. Honorary Life Members shall have full voting rights on matters of Club business. Honorary Members and Honorary Life Members shall not exceed 10% of the total membership of the Club at the time of their election.

- 13. At an Annual General Meeting a President and Vice President(s) may be elected in recognition of particular contributions to the Club and/or sport, such posts to be honorary and non-executive. Persons so elected may attend meetings of the Committee in their capacity as Honorary Members.
- 14. Any Club member wishing to resign his membership shall give notice in writing of his desire to the Membership Secretary.
- 15. Upon joining the Club, every Club member binds himself to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Club and also by any alteration thereof made in conformity with such Rules and Regulations.
- 16. Every Club member shall be entitled to be furnished with a copy of the Rules and Regulations upon request.
- 17. Members of the Club hold themselves bound in honour in all cases of dispute or disagreement as to the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations of the Club, to accept the decision of the Committee as final and binding.
- 18. In the event of a grave breach, by a Club member, of the Rules and Regulations of the Club, or of conduct on the part of a Club member rendering it desirable that he should cease to be a Club member, a meeting of the Committee shall be convened at which such Club member shall be invited to attend to enquire whether a cause for expulsion has arisen or not. In the event of any Club member being, in the opinion of the Committee, guilty of reckless riding or misbehaviour under circumstances involving conduct which the Committee may consider unsportsmanlike or ungentlemanly or prejudicial to the interest of motorcycling, he shall be called before the Committee and failing a satisfactory explanation he may be cautioned or suspended or required to resign his membership. No Club member shall be expelled or suspended except by a resolution supported by at least two-thirds of the Committee present.
- 19. Any Club member wishing to ride in a trial run by the Club, other than that of Closed to Club status, must supply an official for that event who is not a competing member of the Club at that event. The Committee may, however, in special circumstances, allow a Club member to ride without supplying an official.