

THORNTON CLEVELEYS RUNNING CLUB

CONSTITUTION

1. TITLE The title of the club will be
THORNTON CLEVELEYS RUNNING CLUB.
2. OBJECTIVES The objectives of the club shall be:
To promote Fun and Fitness in Running
To provide coaching for the members and to organise competitions
To encourage the members to enjoy their sport.

The club shall cater for

Road Running
Cross Country
Fell and Hill Running
Trail Running
Race Walking

3. MEMBERSHIP:
The Number of members is unlimited.

Equity Policy Statement

Thornton Cleveleys Running Club is committed to ensuring that equality is incorporated across all aspects of its development. In doing so it acknowledges and adopts the following Sport England definition of sports equity.

Sports equity is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. It is about changing the culture and structure of sport to ensure it becomes equally accessible to everyone in society.

The club respects the rights, dignity and worth of every person and will treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, ability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social/economic status.

The club is committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from threat of intimidation, harassment and abuse.

All club members have a responsibility to oppose discriminatory behaviour and promote equality of opportunity.

The club will deal with any incidence of discriminatory behaviour seriously, according to club disciplinary procedures.

Admission of members

Any person who wishes to become a member must submit an application in such form as the management committee shall decide. Every candidate for membership shall be considered by the management committee, which shall admit that candidate to membership of the club unless to do so would be contrary to the best interests of the sport or the good conduct and interests of the club.

Eligibility for Membership

Persons of either sex are eligible for Full membership of the club provided they are at least 18 years of age.

3a Full is an individual who is a first claim member of Thornton Cleveleys Running Club and has paid their subscription in full. They are allowed one vote at the AGM or any EGM

3b Second claim is an individual who is a member of another affiliated athletics club who has paid a reduced subscription in full.

They may partake in all activities agreed by the committee but may not win or affect the results of the club internal championships or the most improved awards.

They are not eligible to take part in ballots for external race places allocated to the club.

They are allowed one vote at the AGM or any EGM.

3c Social is an individual who chooses not to participate as a competitor in permitted events and has paid the reduced subscription in full. They are allowed one vote at the AGM or any EGM.

4 MANAGEMENT Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary, Vice Chairman, Male Representative, Female Representative. Webmaster, Social Secretary, Publicity.

Non Committee Roles

Clothing/Kit Organiser, Men's Captain, Ladies Captain

All the aforementioned shall be elected at the AGM and remain in office until the AGM of the following year. The committee shall also have the power to elect up to three other persons to serve as full committee members or to fill any vacancy occurring during the committee's term of office, from within the current club membership.

5 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting shall be held in the month of June or July
For the purpose of

Receiving the Annual Report of the Committee

Receiving the Audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet

Electing the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year

Electing the honorary Auditors

Considering any amendments to the constitution rules of which due notice has been given to all members. The chairperson and Secretary must receive any proposed change to a Constitution Rule by a member at least 21 days prior to the date of the AGM in order that all members shall have sufficient notice of the proposal. At least 14 days notice shall be given to members of the date, venue and agenda items for the AGM. Each fully paid up member eligible to vote, present at the meeting, shall have one vote.

6 AFFILIATIONS

The club shall be affiliated to England Athletics

7 SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The amount of annual subscriptions for the next financial year shall be determined by the committee and presented for member's approval at the AGM. Full membership will include an appropriate amount to be paid to England Athletics for Club Affiliation. Individual affiliation to be paid separately.

The clubs financial year will run from 1st June – 31 May

New members will pay a full subscription on joining the club. Any New member joining the club later in the financial year will be required to pay a reduced subscription as determined by the committee.

Current member's subscriptions must accompany a Renewal Form for continued membership and given to the membership secretary by the last day of March. Any member who fails to pay their subscription in full by this date will automatically have their membership suspended. Therefore they will not be eligible to partake in any of the clubs functions nor will they be considered for any club championships for that year and any previous merits will be cancelled. Payment after this date must still be in

full and full club rights will be reinstated, except for the winning of any club championships.

8 RESIGNATIONS

Any member wishing to resign must do so in writing, addressed to the Membership Secretary. The resignation shall be considered by the committee within one calendar month of receipt and will be held as effective on the date of tendering. Resignations may not be accepted if the member is financially indebted to the club, I, e. has not paid their subscriptions for the current year and acceptance will be withheld until the debt has been discharged. Any member who fails to pay their subscription in full by the 1st April of the following year shall be deemed to have resigned from the club.

9 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

The Chairperson or Secretary shall call an Extraordinary General Meeting within one month of the receipt of a requisition signed by at least ten members, stating the purpose of the meeting. At least fourteen days notice shall be given to all fully paid up members of the date, venue and purpose of an Extraordinary General Meeting. No other business shall be conducted at such a meeting.

10 CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS

No Constitution Rule may be altered, added to or deleted except at an AGM, or at an EGM called for that purpose, and then only by a two thirds majority of those present and who are entitled to vote in accordance with section 3 (Membership)

11 MEETINGS

The club will meet at 6.45pm on Tuesdays.

12 MANAGEMENT MEETING

Meetings will be arranged as and when deemed necessary by the committee. However minimum of quarterly.