

# NORTH LONDON NETBALL LEAGUE CONSTITUTION 2009 / 10

## 1.0 TITLE

- 1.1 The League shall be known as the North London Netball League, herinafter called the League.

## 2.0 OBJECT

- 2.1 The object of the League shall be to promote the game of Netball in a spirit of friendly competition.

## 3.0 MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 The League shall be open to any Netball Club affiliated to England Netball and the Middlesex County Netball Association.
- 3.2 The League shall be dissolved at the end of each season and teams shall rejoin at the AGM.
- 3.4 Applications for membership will be determined by the Committee in the best interests of the League.
- 3.5 Teams in Membership shall abide by the League Constitution and Rules.
- 3.6 Each team will be required to pay a non-refundable deposit of £60 to enter the forthcoming netball season in the North London Netball League at the AGM held in June of each year. Teams failing to pay the deposit at the AGM cannot be guaranteed a place in the league for the forthcoming season.

## 4.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 4.1 The League shall be governed by a Committee whose responsibilities shall be:
- (a) The general administration and financial control of the League
  - (b) Overseeing the conduct of members of the League
  - (c) Formulating and administering a procedure for dealing with disputes.
- 4.2 The Committee shall consist of the following Officers:
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| President              | Chair                         |
| Secretary              | Treasurer                     |
| Registration Secretary | Fixtures & Results Secretary  |
| Publicity Secretary    | Coaching & Umpiring Secretary |
| Welfare Secretary      | Junior League Representative  |
- 4.3 All Officers shall be elected annually at the AGM.
- 4.4 The new Committee shall take office at the end of the AGM.
- 4.5 Five members shall form a quorum at Committee meetings.
- 4.6 Each Committee member shall have a vote.
- 4.7 Voting shall be by simple majority. In the event of equality of votes, the Chair shall have a casting vote.
- 4.8 The Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members as may be required and fill any vacancies that might occur during its term of office.
- 4.9 At the discretion of the Committee, one member from each team may attend to discuss business.
- 4.10 All matters concerning the administration of the League not covered in the Constitution will be decided at the discretion of the Committee.

## **5.0 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)**

- 5.1 The AGM shall be held before 30 June.
- 5.2 Notice of any proposed alterations to the Constitution and any other items for the Agenda of the AGM shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary one month before the AGM.
- 5.3 A Notice of Meeting, Nomination Forms and a copy of the Agenda shall be sent to every club secretary 2 weeks before the AGM.
- 5.4 Nominations, proposed and seconded by teams in membership of the League, should be sent to the Secretary at least 7 days prior to the AGM.
- 5.5 No clause of the Constitution shall be amended and no resolution passed at previous AGM rescinded unless notice to this effect is given on the Agenda.
- 5.6 Any member, with their consent, is eligible for election to the Committee.
- 5.7 All members of the League are eligible to attend. Any team not represented at the AGM will have to seek re-entry in competition with new teams.
- 5.8 Clubs shall nominate at the start of the AGM one person to vote on its behalf.
- 5.9 Voting at an AGM shall be by simple majority.
- 5.10 In the event of equality of votes the Chair will have a casting vote.
- 5.11 The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts shall be presented at the AGM.
- 5.12 An independent Examiner shall be appointed at the AGM to examine the Financial Records of the League.
- 5.13 The League Fees for the year shall be confirmed.

## **6.0 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (SGM)**

- 6.1 A SGM may be convened at any time by the Committee or on receiving a request from a team. Representatives of this team must meet with the Committee to discuss the resolution before Notice of the SGM is circulated.
- 6.2 A request for a SGM must state the purpose for which the meeting is required and shall set out any proposed resolution.
- 6.3 The SGM shall take place within 28 days of receipt of the request by the Secretary.
- 6.4 No business except that specified in the Notice of the Meeting and no amendments to the resolution shall be transacted at the SGM.
- 6.5 All matters of procedure shall be the same as at an AGM.

## **7.0 FINANCE**

- 7.1 The Financial Year shall end 31 May.
- 7.2 League Membership fees shall be determined by the Committee and shall be lodged in an appropriate account. The signatories for the account will be the Chair, the Secretary and the Treasurer. Any two of the signatories may sign cheques.
- 7.3 Year End Accounts will be prepared by the Treasurer and examined by an Independent Examiner for presentation at the AGM.

## **8.0 DISSOLUTION OF THE LEAGUE**

- 8.1 In the event of the League being dissolved, a Special General Meeting shall be convened. Any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall be dealt with in a manner to be determined by resolution of the meeting so as to promote the objects of the League. If there is a deficit, the meeting shall decide how it shall be met.