

SUNWARD SLIPSTREAMERS CYCLING CLUB

CONSTITUTION

Name

The name of the club shall be the Sunward Slipstreamers Cycling Club (hereinafter referred to as the Club).

Status

The club is a non-profit organisation that belongs to its members.

Mission

The mission of the Club is to provide the communities of Ekurhuleni with the opportunity to participate in the sport of cycling on both competitive and recreational levels.

Colours

The colours of the Club shall be the standard Sunward Slipstreamers colours as contained in the logo.

Affiliation

The Club shall be affiliated to Central Gauteng Cycling.

MEMBERSHIP

Any resident of the East Rand, their family or friends shall be eligible for membership of the club.

Membership shall be split into three classes – ordinary, junior and associate. Terms and conditions for each class shall be approved annually at the AGM.

The Executive Committee has the power to approve or terminate a person's membership.

Voting Rights

All ordinary members who have paid their membership fees have the right to vote at the AGM, at General Meetings, in the elections of the Club, and to participate in the running of the club.

Junior and associate members may not vote at meetings.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Club shall be controlled by an Executive Committee which shall be elected at the AGM and shall consist of the following:

- Chairperson
- Vice-chairperson
- Club Captain
- Club Vice-captain
- Club Secretary

The Executive Committee may co-opt additional members as they see fit.

The Committee shall serve for two years and shall be elected at the AGM. Interim vacancies can be filled by the Executive Committee subject to ratification at the next AGM.

DUTIES AND POWER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Committee Meetings

The Executive Committee in meeting shall have the authority and duty to administer the Club for the benefit of the members and its constituent community.

The Executive Committee shall develop and implement a modus operandi for running the club. As such, the Executive Committee shall be competent to handle any business of an executive nature that

is typical of a cycling club, save those matters that materially affect the viability and sustainability of the Club or which are specifically excluded in this constitution.

The Executive Committee shall report regularly to the members at general meetings.

The Executive Committee shall publish a Code of Conduct for the members. This Code of Conduct shall be binding on all members.

The Executive Committee shall be competent to deal with all disciplinary matters pertaining to the Club and its members.

The Executive Committee shall hear, consider and rule upon protests or reports submitted by members.

The Executive Committee shall be competent to open and maintain banking facilities but shall not be competent to raise loan or debt facilities for the Club without prior approval of the members.

The Executive may appoint sub-committees as the need arises.

Chairperson

The chairperson shall convene meetings.

The chairperson shall officiate at meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Club.

The chairperson has a normal vote at General and Executive Committee meetings.

The chairperson shall deliver his annual report at the AGM.

The chairperson shall represent the Club.

The chairperson shall not be chairman of the club if he/she is chairman of Central Gauteng Cycling.

Club Captain

The club captain shall co-ordinate the different portfolios

Responsible for leading the club including

- notifying club members of activities
- coordinating ride marshals

Secretary

The Secretary shall minute the proceedings of Executive Committee and Club meetings.

The Secretary shall maintain the membership records, as well as a record of the activities of the Club.

The Secretary shall run the administration of the Club and may delegate the completion of any of their tasks to other members of the Club.

Additional Members

Any co-opted members' duties will be determined by the Executive Committee from time to time.

GENERAL DUTIES AND BENEFITS OF MEMBERS

The members shall be entitled to attend all general and special meetings of the Club. If a member cannot attend a meeting, he/she may tender an apology to a member of the Executive Committee before the meeting.

If a member complains to the Committee, he/she may be present at the discussion thereof but without a right to vote.

The members shall be entitled to notification of and attendance at any Club-sanctioned event including amongst other events, social rides, sponsored races and social gatherings.

Members shall be entitled to purchase and use any club-sponsored gear – cycling or otherwise.

If a member wants to resign as a member of the Club, he/she should notify the Executive in writing.

Membership shall run from 1 November to 31 October the following year.

MEETINGS

Executive Committee

The Committee shall meet on a quarterly basis. Additional meetings may be called when necessary.

Three (3) members is a quorum for a meeting.

Any decision made by round robin shall have the force of a decision made at an Executive Committee meeting. Such decisions shall be recorded at the next Executive Committee meeting.

Annual General Meeting

An AGM shall be held each year with four months of the year end which is 31 October.

Notice of an AGM must be given at least 21 (twenty one) days in advance. The agenda must accompany the notice.

Copies of the minutes, annual report and financial report must be handed to the Chairperson.

If a quorum is not present at the time of the duly convened AGM the meeting will be postponed until such time as a quorum can be present.

Resolutions taken at the AGM are only binding if they are adopted by a majority vote and within the scope of the constitution of the Club.

General Meetings

The Club shall at least hold 1 (one) general meeting during the course of the year, to inform members of activities. This is in addition to the AGM.

Notice of a general meeting must be given 14 (fourteen) days before the meeting. The agenda must accompany the notice.

A quorum at any of the meetings is constituted by the lesser of 10 people or 20% of the total members.

Extra-Ordinary General Meetings

At the written request of 5 members an extra-ordinary meeting may be called.

Notice of such a meeting must be given 21 (twenty one) days prior to the meeting. The agenda must accompany the notice.

FINANCE

Financial administration must be in accordance with fiscal prudence and the laws ruling in the Republic of South Africa.

Satisfactory separation of duties shall be enforced in the administration of the finances of the Club.

No individual member may bind the Club to any obligation without the authority of the Executive Committee. Without the prior approval of the members in general meeting, the Executive Committee may not bind the Club to any obligation exceeding R2,000 or to any other such amount as approved by a duly constituted meeting of the members.

The Executive Committee shall call annually for an independent review of the finances of the Club.

SPONSORS

The Executive Committee is authorised to raise sponsorship for the Club and to commit the Club to supporting and displaying the sponsors logo/brand within reason.

COLOURS AND AWARDS

Members who performed exceptionally during the year will be nominated for various awards to be presented by the Club.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

The constitution may be amended only at the AGM. An amendment shall be adopted only if at least two-thirds of the members present at the meeting vote in favour of such amendment.

Suggestions with regard to any changes, amendments, deletions or additions to the Constitution must be handed to the Secretary 30 (thirty) days before the relevant meeting.

Notice of the meetings and suggestions for amendments of the Constitution must be made available to members in a suitable manner at least 21 (twenty one) days before the meeting.

DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

The Club may only be dissolved by two-thirds majority decision of the members present at an unusual General Meeting.

Any surplus funds remaining shall be donated to Central Gauteng Cycling for development purposes. Members and office bearers may not participate in any distribution.