



Lancashire Aero Club Rules (as amended October 2018)

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All previous rules are hereby rescinded.

1 . NAME AND OBJECTIVES OF CLUB

The name of the Club is The Lancashire Aero Club, hereinafter referred to as "the Club".

The objectives of the Club are:

- (a) To provide facilities for, and encourage the enjoyment of, General Aviation.
- (b) To provide the opportunity for members to begin flying and to improve their skills.
- (c) To provide such social facilities for its members as may, from time to time, be considered desirable.
- (d) Generally to undertake and to do any other things as may be conducive to the encouragement and development of General Aviation.

2. GOVERNMENT OF THE CLUB

- (a) The Club shall be governed by a Committee of members, which shall consist of not less than seven and not more than twelve, to be elected as hereinafter provided.
- (b) The Committee shall be the sole authority as to the interpretation of the rules, regulations and bye-laws of the club and the conduct of members in relation thereto.

3. MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS and ELECTIONS

- (a) The election of members shall be vested solely in the Committee and shall be by ballot. It shall take place at such times as the Committee thinks fit. No election shall be valid unless a quorum of the Committee is present.
- (b) Any two life or ordinary members may propose and second a candidate for membership. They must be able from personal knowledge to vouch for the candidate's respectability and fitness to be a member and both of them shall sign the nomination form, as shall the candidate, who, by so doing, shall pledge to and abide by, the Rules of the Club as from time to time in force, in the event of being elected a member.
- (c) No candidate shall be admitted to the privileges of membership until he has been formally elected a member by the Committee, notified by the Secretary and paid his first subscription and in any circumstances no candidate for membership shall be admitted to the privileges of membership until two days have elapsed following election to membership.
- (d) No newly elected member shall participate in any of the privileges of the Club until his subscription and entrance fee have been received by the Treasurer.

4. CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

Life Members

- (a) The Committee has the power to elect as Life Members those persons who in the opinion of the Committee are of sufficient distinction and/or those who have rendered valuable service to the Club. The Committee has the power to terminate at any time the Life Membership of any member so elected if, in its opinion, it is desirable in the interests of the Club. Life Members shall be entitled to the full rights and privileges of membership without payment of any subscriptions.

Honorary Members

- (b) The Committee has the power to elect, as Honorary Members without entrance fee or subscription, persons of distinction or those who have rendered valuable services to the Club. An interval of at least two days shall elapse between their election and admission as members. Honorary Members shall be entitled to the full rights and privileges of membership without payment of any subscriptions. Eligibility for renewal of honorary membership will be reviewed by the committee on an annual basis.

Social Members

(c) Persons who wish to join the Club but who are not active pilots may join as social members, paying a reduced subscription decided from time to time by the committee. Social members will not have the right to vote at Annual or Special General Meetings and will not receive a membership card which entitles them to participate in the partner airfields scheme.

Ordinary members

(d) Those members not awarded life, honorary or social membership will be designated as Ordinary members of the Club.

5. MEMBERSHIP REFUSAL OR REMOVAL

The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the members at a Special General Meeting or Annual General Meeting

6. DEEMED RESIGNATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Any Ordinary or social member not paying an annual subscription within a period of one month from the notified date that such subscription becomes due will be deemed to have resigned from membership. Any membership card held by the member must be returned to the Secretary at the expiry of the membership.

7. USE OF CLUB NAME

- (a) No member shall use, or allow to be used, the name of the Club in any advertisement, prospectus or business announcement.
- (b) The name and address of the Club shall not be given by a member as his address or otherwise for the purpose of identification in connection with legal proceedings.

8. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- (a) The ordinary subscription shall be of such sum determined by the Committee and shall be paid in advance on admission and subsequently on such dates as the Committee may from time to time determine.
- (b) A Joining Fee as shall be determined by the Committee is payable upon election to the Club, except in the case of Life and Honorary Members.
- (c) A suspended member shall remain liable to pay his subscription.
- (d) Every member shall produce the receipt for his subscription or membership card when requested to do so by any person authorised by the Committee.

9. NON-PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTION

- (a) No member in arrears shall be permitted to make use of the Club or take part in its affairs.
- (b) The Committee may in its unfettered discretion reinstate a member on satisfactory grounds being shown for the failure of payment on such terms as to payment of entrance fee and/or subscription as it may think fit.

10. CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall terminate:

- (a) On resignation (Rule 6).
- (b) On non-payment of subscription (Rule 9).
- (c) On expulsion (Rule 14).

11. CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Any member who changes his postal or email address shall, within fourteen days, give notice to the Secretary in writing of such address and until such notice is given all communications and notices sent to his last known postal or email address shall be deemed to have been served upon such member.

12. AFFILIATION OF OTHER AERO CLUBS AND ASSOCIATED ORGANISATIONS

- (a) The Committee may associate or affiliate the Club with such other aeronautical clubs or bodies on such terms as the Committee shall approve.
- (b) Members of other Aero Clubs may, on presentation of their membership details, be admitted to activities of the Club without charge.

13. COMMITTEE

- (a) There shall be a Committee of not less than seven and not more than twelve who shall be elected by a ballot at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the provisions of Rule 21.
- (b) The members of the Committee elected at an Annual General Meeting shall serve for three years.
- (c) At each Annual General Meeting at least one third of the Members of the Committee shall retire and shall be entitled to stand for re-election provided that only a maximum of six members shall be required to stand for re-election to the Committee at each Annual General Meeting.
- (d) Where pursuant to the application of the foregoing provisions of this Rule more than six persons would be required to submit for re-election as between Members who have served for three years the individuals who shall be obliged to retire shall be drawn by Lot as directed by the Chairman.
- (e) The Secretary must receive the nomination forms for election to the Committee not less than 21 days before the Annual General Meeting. Nominations of candidates shall be signed by the candidate and at least two members proposing them. The candidates must have been members of the Club for at least two years prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- (f) The Committee shall have the power to fill casual vacancies in its body, except vacancies occasioned by removal under Rule 24, occurring amongst the Officers (other than Trustees) and may appoint a person to fill the office. Any person so appointed shall retain his office so long as the vacating officer or Committee member would have retained it as if no vacancy had occurred but not so as to add to their number. Any member so co-opted shall only hold office for the unexpired term of office of the member they are replacing.
- (g) The Committee shall meet at such times as it may arrange and a special meeting may be summoned at any time by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman or (in the case of an emergency) on a requisition signed by one third of the members of the Committee.
- (h) Any member of the Committee who serves the Club or Company in any way at all does so in an entirely honorary capacity and no pecuniary reward is entailed.
- (i) All LAC Committee members and LPL Directors are able to claim expenses incurred whilst carrying out their duties on behalf of LAC or LPL. Such expenses will only relate to expenditure in respect of out of pocket expenses. All such expenses must be shown in the accounts under Directors/Committee expenses.
- (j) The quorum of the Committee shall be five except in the case of a special meeting summoned under Rule 13(g) when the quorum shall be a majority of the members of the Committee for the time being.
- (k) The Chairman of the Committee shall be elected annually by the members in General Meeting.

The Committee at its first meeting in each year shall elect the Vice-Chairman. In the case of equality of votes at a Committee meeting the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, shall have a second or casting vote.

(l) The Committee may appoint such Sub-Committees as it may deem advisable and may delegate to them such powers as it may think fit. Such Sub-Committees may include persons who are not members of the Committee but the Chairman of each Sub-Committee shall be a member of the Committee, except in special cases where the Committee shall decide otherwise.

(m) The Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman of the Committee shall be ex-officio members of every Sub-Committee.

(n) Any member or members of the Committee, not being the whole of the Committee, shall cease to be members on written notification of resignation which shall be deemed to be effective upon receipt by the Secretary.

(o) Any member of the Committee ceasing to be a member of the Club, or who is suspended from the privileges of membership, shall cease to be a member of the Committee. Any vacancy so caused shall be filled as provided in Rule 13(f).

(p) Any member of the Committee who is absent from the Committee meetings for more than four consecutive meetings without just cause or explanation shall be deemed to have resigned.

14. AUTHORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

(a) The Committee shall conduct the general business of the Club, regulate the internal Management, have power to enforce Rules and make such bye-laws as may be necessary for the conduct of the Club in conformity with these Rules.

(b) The appointment and dismissal of club employees, if any, shall be vested solely in the Committee.

(c) No resolution passed by the Committee shall be rescinded unless notice shall have been given at a previous meeting of the Committee of intention to propose such rescission.

(d) All complaints shall be made in writing to the Secretary, who, if unable to remove the cause, shall submit them to the Committee, whose decision shall be final precluding any appeal to law.

(e) The Committee shall have power to reprimand, suspend for a period not exceeding one year or expel any member who infringes any rule or whose conduct, in or out of the Club premises, shall in their opinion, be prejudicial to the Club or to the character or interests of the Club. Any member guilty of conduct likely to endanger the welfare, unanimity of purpose or good order of the Club or whose actions are found to be inconsistent with the Rules, may be expelled by the Committee.

(f) The Chairman or Secretary shall be empowered to order the immediate withdrawal of any member whose conduct on any Club premises is in conflict with the Rules of the Club. Unless the conduct constitutes a threat of injury or damage to person or property or constitutes a breach of the criminal law a prior warning may be given prior to expulsion but no expulsion shall be unlawful solely on the ground that no prior warning was given. If neither the Chairman nor the Secretary is available when the misconduct occurs, like powers may be exercised by any other Committee Member present. The matter must be reported to the Committee at a meeting, which must be held within seven days of the committal of the alleged offence. Such member shall have no right of re-entry to any Club premises until summoned to appear before the Committee.

(g) In all cases, other than as provided for in paragraph (f) of this rule, any complaint or complaints against a member shall be considered by the Committee at its next regular meeting held in accordance with Rule 13(g) and the Committee shall be empowered to require the member concerned to withdraw from the facilities of membership upon receipt of the summoning notice until the date of the meeting.

(h) If the Committee is of the opinion that the complaint or complaints do not warrant summoning a member to appear before it, the member in question must be immediately notified to this effect and shall be free to resume his rights as a member.

(i) If the Committee is of the opinion that the complaint or complaints against a member does warrant them summoning him to appear before it, at least seven clear days notice in writing shall be given by the Secretary to the member of his being so summoned and the notice shall contain a statement detailing the complaint or complaints brought against him.

(j) No member shall be reprimanded, suspended or expelled without being first summoned before the Committee and full opportunity afforded him to defend himself, nor unless a majority of at least two-thirds of the Committee then present vote for his being reprimanded, suspended or expelled.

(k) Any member expelled, suspended, or otherwise dealt with by the Committee in accordance with these rules shall have a right of appeal to a General Meeting of the Club. If the decision of the General Meeting is against the member he shall forfeit all claims upon the Club.

(l) Should the member fail to appear before the Committee, having given no prior explanation, the

matter can proceed and be dealt with by the Committee. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this rule, the Committee shall not be obliged to summon a member to appear before it in respect of an offence of which he has already been convicted and sentenced by any court of law.

(m) The Committee, or any officer authorised by it in writing, shall have power to give orders to tradesmen and others for goods and services necessary for carrying out the purpose of the Club. This rule shall not empower the Committee, or any officer authorised by it, to incur expenditure except such as is consistent with the purposes for which the Club is established.

(n) No claim will be recognised or paid for any work done or for any goods supplied to the Club, without an order from the Committee or from an officer authorised by it. Members of the Club shall be entitled to contract with the Club for supply by them of goods and services but shall not participate in any discussion or vote upon any motion relative thereto, either at a Committee Meeting or a General Meeting.

(o) The Committee may alter the Rules, add thereto or make bye-laws, as may from time to time be considered desirable, provided that such alterations in, or additions to, the Rules or bye-laws shall be subject to the approval and confirmation of the members of the Club at the next Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

15. HONORARIA and SECURITY

(a) Officers (where appropriate) shall receive such honoraria as the Committee shall determine.

(b) Any Officer dealing with the monies of the Club shall give such security as the Committee may determine and shall discharge his duties under the direction of the Committee.

(c) Provided his interest therein is disclosed in advance and the Member concerned does not participate in the decision on behalf of the Club to deal with such Member or his employer or firm, any Member of the Committee may deal in the ordinary and usual course of his or his employer's or his firm's business with the Club for the provision of goods or services required by the Club and shall not be liable to account to the Club for any profit thereon.

16. THE CLUB and its ASSOCIATED COMPANY

(a) Under an agreement made between the Club and Light Planes (Lancashire) Ltd, the shares of the Company are held in trust for the members of the Club by Trustees appointed for that purpose.

(b) All members of the Committee will be appointed as Directors of Light Planes (Lancashire) Ltd.

(c) The Chairman will select candidates drawn from members of the Committee for appointment to the offices of Company Secretary, Company Treasurer, Club Secretary and Club Treasurer. The appointments must be ratified by majority vote of the whole Committee.

17. PRESIDENT and VICE-PRESIDENTS

(a) A President and Vice-President or Vice-Presidents may be appointed at any General Meeting on the recommendation of the Members or by the Committee itself should the need arise. Every Vice-President shall hold office for such period as may be decided at his election.

18. TRUSTEES

(a) The shares of Light Planes (Lancashire) Ltd shall be held by the Trustees.

(b) Every Trustee shall be indemnified against risk and expense out of the Club property.

(c) The Trustees shall be nominated by the Committee and elected at a General or Special General Meeting by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote thereat.

(d) The Trustees shall hold office until death or resignation.

(e) In case of a vacancy caused by resignation or death another Trustee shall be nominated by the Committee and elected at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting called for that purpose in the manner as provided for in Rule 27.

(f) The duties of the Trustees shall be as specified in the document entitled "Duties of Trustees", a copy of which is held by the Club Secretary.

19. TREASURER

- (a) The Treasurer shall be responsible for ensuring that all monies, whether received by himself, the Secretary, any other official or any servant of the Club, are duly paid into the Club's Bank as soon as is practicable. He shall also see that all debts of the Club are paid as directed by the Committee (except petty cash payments) by cheques signed by the Chairman and Treasurer or other approved signatories. He shall, at every regular meeting of the Committee (or more often if required) produce such books and Bank statements necessary for inspection showing that the foregoing duties have been carried out.
- (b) The Treasurer shall keep such accounts, documents and other papers of the Club, not otherwise kept by the Secretary, in such manner and for such purposes as the Committee may direct.
- (c) The Treasurer shall in every year prepare or cause to be prepared the balance sheet and income and expenditure account and submit the same to any appointed Auditor of the Club.

20. SECRETARY

- (a) The Secretary shall on all occasions in the execution of his office act under the superintendence, control and direction of the Committee.
- (b) The Secretary shall receive, or direct to receive, monies on account of the Club and pay the same, or direct to pay, to the Treasurer or direct to the Club's Bank. He shall keep such accounts, documents and papers of the Club in such manner and for such purposes as the Committee may direct.
- (c) The Secretary shall summon and attend all meetings and take, or direct to be taken, minutes of the proceedings.
- (d) The Secretary shall ensure that the Club is registered with any regulatory body responsible for the furtherance of the activities of the Club and the wellbeing of its members.
- (e) The Secretary shall be responsible for the insurance of the Club against fire/theft and in respect to liability for accidents occurring to Club servants and for any other purposes as directed by the Committee.
- (f) The Secretary shall, in conjunction with the Treasurer, comply with the requirements of HM Revenue and Customs with regard to the deduction of income tax from the wages or salaries of employees, if any, and with the requirements of the National Insurance Acts in respect of such employees.
- (g) The Secretary shall carry out such other duties as are reasonably incidental to his office.

21. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

- (a) Each eligible member of the Club shall have one vote for each vacancy and no member shall give more than one vote to any candidate. If there are as many or fewer candidates for the Committee than there are vacancies then they shall be deemed elected without a vote, save that any member present may call for a ballot in accordance with rule 21(b). In this case each candidate will need the votes of a simple majority of the members present and voting to be elected.
- (b) Each ballot paper will list the candidates in alphabetical order of surname. Retiring members of the Committee seeking re-election shall be included in the listing without preference.
- (c) At least four weeks prior to the day appointed for the commencement of the ballot, a notice shall be posted on the Club website and email mailing list by the Secretary or such person delegated to do so by the Committee, inviting the nomination of candidates for election. The notice shall remain displayed for at least ten days. The names of all candidates for office in the Club, together with the names of their proposers and seconders, shall be posted on the Club website and email mailing list at least seven clear days before the appointed ballot date and shall remain so posted until the result of the ballot has been declared.
- (d) The Committee shall appoint two scrutineers to carry out the ballot under their direction and the result of the ballot shall be declared at the Annual General Meeting. No Officer or Committee Member of the Club or candidate may be appointed as a scrutineer.
- (e) In the case of a tie between two or more candidates the names of such candidates shall be written on pieces of paper, which shall be placed in a receptacle from which the Chairman of the meeting shall draw as many names as there are vacancies to be filled. The names thus drawn shall be declared duly elected.

22. RESIGNATION of the COMMITTEE

- (a) The outgoing Secretary shall obtain nominations during the three days following the resignation of the Committee and a ballot shall be held at a Special General Meeting within fourteen days of resignation for the election of a new Committee.
- (b) The result of the ballot shall be declared at the Special General Meeting called by the Secretary for that purpose.
- (c) The time and notice required for nominations under Rule 13(d) and for Special General Meetings under Rule 26(b) shall not apply in this case.
- (d) The resignations of the outgoing committee will be deemed to take effect on the election of a new committee.

23. REMOVAL of COMMITTEE and ELECTION of NEW COMMITTEE

- (a) The Committee, or any Member or Members thereof, may be removed by a majority of three-quarters of the members voting at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose, in strict accordance with Rule 26. Any such decision must be ratified by a postal ballot of the whole membership, where a majority of three-quarters of the membership will be required to approve the decision.
- (b) The election of a new Committee or any Member or Members thereof shall take place at a Special General Meeting in the manner prescribed in the previous Rule upon resignation of the Committee. The Meeting will be required to elect a Chairman to conduct the business.

24. GENERAL MEETINGS and ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held in each year at such time as may be determined by the Committee. The notice convening the Meeting shall state the time and place of such meeting and the business to be transacted and shall be published by electronic or other means to members at least six weeks prior to the meeting.
- (b) Notice of any motion for inclusion in the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting must be signed by at least five members and received by the Secretary in writing 28 days prior to the meeting.
- (c) The Agenda for the Annual General Meeting, including notice of any motions, shall be sent to each Member. No business other than that specified in the Agenda shall be discussed at the Meeting.
- (d) A copy of the balance sheet and income and expenditure account for the year, with the report of the auditor if appointed, shall be published by electronic or other means to all Members at least seven days before the Annual General Meeting.
- (e) At the Annual General Meeting a statement of affairs, the balance sheet, income and expenditure account and report of the auditor shall be presented, together with the nominations for the Committee and Officers. The ballot for the Committee shall be held at that meeting and the result published forthwith.
- (f) The quorum at any Annual or Special General Meeting shall be 25 members of the Club. At every meeting of the Club the Chairman, or failing him the Vice Chairman, or failing either, a member of the Committee elected by the Members, shall preside and if at any meeting voting on any question shall be equal, the Chairman at such meeting shall have a second and casting vote.
- (g) No want of a quorum occurring after the Chairman has opened the meeting shall make a meeting incompetent to transact business.

25. APPOINTMENT and DUTIES of the AUDITOR

- (a) The Members, at the Annual General Meeting, may appoint an Auditor to audit the accounts for the ensuing year.
- (b) The Auditor shall audit the accounts and for that purpose shall have access to all books of the Club.
- (c) He shall examine the accounts and the receipts and expenditure, funds and effects of the Club and shall verify the same with the vouchers relating thereto and shall either sign the same as found by him to be correct and duly vouched or shall report in what respects he finds them incorrect or unvouched.

26. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The secretary shall summon Special General Meetings as follows:
- (b) In accordance with Rule 23
- (c) At the direction of the Committee
- (d) Upon a request forwarded to the secretary signed by one fifth of the Members or 20 Members whichever is the lesser, stating the objects of such meeting, in accordance with Rule 24
- (e) Meetings summoned under the above provisions shall be held not less than fourteen days and not more than twenty-eight days from the date of the receipt of the request.
- (f) Notice of any Special General Meeting and of the object for which it is called, shall be posted on the Club website and email mailing list at least fourteen days before the date appointed for such meeting (except in the case of a Special General Meeting called under Rules 23 and 24).
- (g) No other business except that for which the meeting has been convened shall be brought before a Special General Meeting.

27. ADJOURNMENT of MEETINGS

Any Annual or Special General Meeting may be adjourned to such time as a majority shall decide but no business other than that which could have been transacted at the original meeting shall be brought forward at such adjourned meeting.

28. RESCISSION OF RESOLUTIONS

No resolution passed at an Annual General or Special General Meeting shall be rescinded unless notice of the intention to propose such rescission has been given to the Secretary at least twenty-eight days before the date appointed for the subsequent Annual General or Special General Meeting.

29. EXCEPTIONS

Any person who has been expelled from this or any other Aero Club, or who, at the request of the Committee, has resigned his membership, or who, having been a candidate for election to membership, has been rejected, or who is indebted to the Club (See Rule 9) may be refused admission to Club activities.

30. MISCONDUCT OF MEMBERS.

- (a) No betting, drunkenness, bad language or disorderly conduct shall be permitted on any Club premises.
- (b) Any infringement of this Rule will render the offending member liable to be dealt with by the Committee under Rule 14.
- (c) It shall be the duty of any Member of the Committee or Member of the Club to take every available means for putting a stop to the offences in question and to report them forthwith to the Committee via the Secretary.

31. APPLICATION OF SURPLUS

- (a) Any surplus of the Club shall be applied in such manner as the Committee considers best in the interests of the Club and in furtherance of the objectives for which the Club is formed, provided that no surplus shall be distributed among the Members.
- (b) In the event that the Club shall be dissolved any surplus arising after having discharged all actual liabilities of the Club and making prudent provision for contingent liabilities and the costs of dissolution shall be applied as provided in paragraph (c) below;
- (c) The Club shall decide by resolution of members passed at a meeting immediately prior to dissolution of the Club for what Charitable purposes falling within paragraph (d) of this Rule the proceeds of dissolution shall be applied so that if no such resolution shall be passed and/or any application of the surplus for the purposes mentioned in paragraph (d) shall be agreed or determined to be not a charitable purpose the surplus shall be applied as set out in Rule (e).

(d) The purposes authorised under this paragraph (d) are such exclusively charitable institutions as shall provide for individuals particularly (but not only) those between the ages of 16 and 26 years opportunities to advance their education or attainment in light aviation, general aviation, aeronautical engineering, or aircraft safety and/or aircraft and aerodrome facilities management as the Club on the recommendation of the Committee may decide.

(e) The Charities authorised pursuant to this paragraph (e) are:

RAFA Flying Scholarships, registered Charity No. 226686 (England and Wales)

Flying Scholarships for the Disabled, registered Charity No. 1070281

British Disabled Flying Association, registered Charity No. 1081804

Aviation for Paraplegics and Tetraplegics Charitable Trust, registered Charity No. 1037768.

32. AMENDMENT OF RULES

(a) Subject to paragraph (c) of this Rule 32 any rule of the Club may be rescinded or amended or any new Rule added by a resolution carried by three-quarters of the votes given thereon at any General Meeting of which notice has been given specifying the intention to propose such a rescission, amendment or addition of a new Rule.

(b) Propositions for amendments of Rules must be submitted in writing to the Committee one month prior to the date of such Meeting and shall be posted on the Club website and email mailing list at least fourteen days before the Meeting. No proposition shall be taken into consideration unless supported by twenty members who shall attach their signatures to such notices.

(c) No amendment shall be made to Rule 31 or Rule 32 or Rule 33 save with the consent of a seventy five percent majority of not less than two thirds of the Members eligible to vote at the meeting at which any resolution proposing any such amendment is tabled.

33. DISSOLUTION

The Club may be dissolved by the consent of three-quarters of the members voting at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose, in strict accordance with Rule 26. Any such decision must be ratified by a postal ballot of the whole membership, where a majority of three-quarters of the membership will be required to approve the decision.

34. MEMBERSHIP CARDS AND THE FREE LANDINGS SCHEME

Membership cards remain the property of the Club and are not transferable. A member who allows his card to be used by any other person will be dealt with under the provisions of Rule 14(f). Under the Free Landings Scheme membership cards are valid for one free full-stop landing per visit to an airfield listed on the Club website up to a maximum number of landings using the scheme in any membership year, the number to be decided by the committee. Any abuse of this concession will result in the member concerned being charged for any landings in excess of one per visit to a listed airfield.

35. DEFINITIONS

In these Rules, including this Rule, unless the subject matter or context are inconsistent therewith:

(a) Words implying the singular or plural shall include the plural or singular respectively

(b) Unless the contrary intention appears, words denoting the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine.

36. BYE LAWS

The Committee may make such byelaws and regulations pertaining to any Club premises (temporary or permanent) as it may think fit and shall cause such byelaws and regulations to be notified to members via the Club website and email mailing list from time to time.

37. CASC STATUS

No rule may be adopted by the Club which would jeopardise the eligibility of the Club for CASC status.

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