



1 Club name and affiliation

The Club will be called "Corinthians Badminton Club" (hereinafter called "the Club") and plays league badminton in the Barking, Havering & District Badminton League (hereinafter called 'BHDBL').

2 Aims and Objectives

The aims and objectives of the Club will be to :

- provide competitive badminton for its members.
- promote the principles of fair play and good conduct both on and off the court.
- increase the standard of play among members.
- make sure all club members are treated equitably.
- enter teams in the leagues of the BHDBL.
- encourage participation in competitions and events run by the BHDBL.

3 Constitution Changes

The purpose of this constitution is to provide a means for the efficient operation and management of the Club, to remove inconsistency and misunderstanding of the Club rules, and to direct the behaviour of its members in ways which can be seen to benefit the Club overall and all its members.

Request for changes to the Constitution shall be forwarded in writing (paper or email) to the Secretary at least 21 days prior to the Annual General Meeting (hereinafter "AGM").

This Constitution can be changed only by majority vote at an AGM or EGM.

4 Finance and Accounts

The Club is a non profit making organisation.

All club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the Club.

The accounts will be kept by the Treasurer, and audited annually.

The financial year of the Club will end on 31st August.

Any cheques drawn against club funds will be signed by at least two authorised signatories.

Should the Club no longer be viable and the accounts need to be wound up then any residual funds, after all creditors have been satisfied, shall be donated to a club or organisation with similar aims and objectives, as agreed by the club membership

Should any member wish to see a copy of the interim accounts during the financial year, a request can be made to the Treasurer in writing via email.



5 Running of the Club

The Club will be run by a committee (hereinafter call “the Committee”) consisting of:

- Chairman
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Men's captain
- Ladies captain
- Mixed captain
- Match secretary

One person may fulfil more than one office, but the Committee should consist of a minimum of five persons.

At the AGM, the Committee will resign but will be eligible for re-election.

A quorum for any committee meeting shall be 75% (or three whichever the greater) of the committee in attendance.

The serving committee’s decision in any matter is final. Where a decision is disputed, a challenge can be made via an AGM or EGM.

The main forms of communication shall be the Club notice board, Facebook and email, to that end, all members should have a valid active email account.

The official source for club information and documentation will be www.corinthiansbc.com. Supporting mediums of social media will be used to provide additional sources for the club related content and unofficial or informal updates.

6 Membership

a) General

All members will be subject to the constitution and codes of conduct adopted by the Club.

Membership shall consist of adult members only aged 18 years and over, with the exception that if a member has a child aged 16/17 and they are club standard we may offer them a space, if available at student rates. The parent must accompany the child at all times when attending club evenings. The Club does not have DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service) to protect under 18's.

To control overcrowding at the Club, membership of the club shall be limited to 40 paying members, subject to the discretion of the Committee. If necessary the Committee shall close membership, and maintain a "waiting list" for prospective members.

The 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.



Fees will be set and reviewed annually by the Committee and approved at the AGM.

b) New, Previous and Visitors

All prospective new members must apply via the official club email (membership@corinthiansbc.com) where applications will be considered in the first instance by the Club Secretary.

Prospective new members can visit the club up to 3 times as a trial basis and pay a “guest” fee before they are considered for full membership (this can be waived or reduced by a majority vote of the Committee). The Committee must agree by majority vote on whether a new player is accepted or refused membership. If accepted, General rules will apply.

Previous members that are applying to return to the Club will be bound by the prospective new member process.

Casual visitors are NOT permitted. All visitors must intend to join the Club and must have applied to visit via the email address above. This is in accordance with the Insurance Policy.

c) Resignation and Refunds

Where a member either intends to resign their membership or is no longer able to attend through injury they may be entitled to a membership fee refund at the discretion of the Committee.

Members intending to leave the club must inform the Secretary in writing (paper or email) as any refund due shall be based on the date of receipt of resignation notification.

Where applicable, it is the responsibility of the resigning member to cancel their own bank standing order.

7 AGM

The AGM will be held in June or July. At least twenty-one days’ notice will be given to members.

Any item of business including amendments to proposals which any club member may wish to discuss at the AGM must be proposed, seconded and forwarded to the Secretary not less than 14 days before the meeting at the end of the season.

All members have the right to vote at the AGM.

The Agenda will include:

- The Chairman’s report from the Committee.
- Treasurer’s report and the year’s Accounts.
- Men's Captain report re; all team results.
- Election of the Committee for the coming year.
- a quorum for the AGM shall be deemed to be at least one third of the Club fully paid up membership.



Members have the right to call for an Extraordinary General Meeting (hereinafter “EGM”) in the form of an application in writing (paper or email) to the Secretary and endorsed by at least 25% of the Club members.

Notice for an EGM will be the same as for an AGM.

A quorum for an EGM shall be the same as an AGM.

BYELAWS AND OTHER REGULATIONS

i League and Friendly Matches

Members taking part in league and friendly matches shall pay a match fee for home and away matches at an amount as shall be agreed from time to time by the Committee.

ii Club Evenings

After gaining access to the court club members are asked to enter into their game as soon as possible in order to enable the maximum number of games to be played during each club session.

Club Nights will use a peg board selection criteria. You **MUST** ensure your peg is on the board **BEFORE** starting to play. The serving Committee will determine the rules of the Board and publish accordingly, and receive approval at AGM or EGM

The Club is required to have vacated the sports hall by 10:00pm, to that end games must finish no later than 9:50pm to enable time to clear up and vacate the hall. All members are responsible for clearing up the nets, posts and shuttlecocks. New and nearly new shuttlecocks should be returned to the empty tubes. Broken shuttlecocks should be disposed of in the bin.

iii Club Team Entries in Leagues

The Committee shall make a decision as soon as possible following the AGM as to the type and number of entries to be submitted for entry into any League for the following season.

iv Waiting List

If necessary the Secretary shall maintain a “waiting list” and have authority to invite prospective new members to attend up to three club sessions respectively. After three attendances the Committee shall decide whether or not to accept the application for membership.

Prospective members on the waiting list shall only be invited to the Club for a trial where the membership level has not reached the agreed maximum. It is the aim of the club to fill any available slots with league standard players. Therefore, any slots which are free will remain free until a league standard player applies .

Placing prospective members on the waiting list infers no commitment by the Club to allow membership at a later date.

v Club Tournaments



Club tournaments shall be arranged annually with the object of affording the opportunity to all members to compete. The Committee shall make the arrangements for holding the tournaments in whatever manner they think fit and shall also, if necessary, ask for volunteers to help out. The main trophies shall remain the property of the Club at all times.

vi Match Selection (Friendly and League)

All team captains will be responsible for their team selection.

vii General

Any disputes or issues of governance arising out of or not covered by the Constitution shall be referred to the Committee where decision or interpretation shall be final. Where a decision or interpretation is disputed, a challenge can be made via an AGM or EGM.

All complaints must be made in writing (paper or email) to the Committee. The Committee can be contacted on "committee@corinthiansbc.com".