DUNDEE AREA BADMINTON ASSOCIATION (DABA)

CONSTITUTION

Article 1 – Name

The Association shall be called the Dundee Area Badminton Association, hereinafter referred to as "the Association".

Article 2 – Aim

The Association's aim is to:

• Encourage and promote participation in, the sport of badminton in Dundee and the surrounding area.

Article 3 – Government

The affairs of the Association shall be governed and administrated by the DABA Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the Committee"). The Committee shall consist of the following office bearers:

- President to lead the Committee and act as general point of contact for DABA
- Vice-President to provide assistance to the President and to entire Committee
- Association Secretary to take minutes and disseminate information on behalf of committee
- Treasurer to oversee all financial activity of DABA
- League Secretary to oversee the running of the leagues of DABA

Additional Committee members (non-office bearers) may be appointed as necessary at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The Committee shall have power to co-opt persons to the Committee for the purpose of filling a committee vacancy or to make use of certain expertise that an individual may possess. Any member so co-opted will serve only until the next AGM.

The Committee shall consist of the 5 office bearers described above with a maximum of 9 committee members in total. The committee shall contain an odd number of members.

All Committee members, including office bearers, shall hold office for one year but shall be eligible for re-election at the AGM.

All Committee members, including office bearers, must be at least 18 years old.

Article 4 – Quoracy

For a Committee meeting to be considered quorate more than 50% of Committee members must be present.

Article 5 – Affiliation to DABA

Affiliation to the Association is mandatory for clubs/groups wishing to enter teams into any DABA leagues. Clubs wishing to enter the Association shall make application to the Association Secretary. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any application. New clubs will be admitted at the discretion of the Committee. Affiliation to BadmintonScotland is recommended for clubs affiliating to DABA, due to the benefits this provides, however it is not mandatory.

Article 6 – Annual Subscription

Affiliation to DABA incurs a fee. This takes the form of an annual subscription. The annual subscription shall be set at the AGM and shall be paid to the Treasurer by the end of October each year. Failure to pay by the end of December shall result in the levying of a surcharge (set by the Committee) or result in expulsion from any DABA leagues/tournaments which that club may be participating in.

Article 7 – Tournaments & Leagues

The Association shall organise such tournaments/leagues as authorised by the AGM.

Article 8 – Alteration of the Constitution & Rules

No existing article contained within the Constitution or the "DABA Rules for Competitive Badminton" (the latter hereinafter referred to as "the Rules") shall be deleted, added to or altered except at an AGM or Special General Meeting (SGM) called for that purpose. Notice of any such deletion, addition or alteration should be given to all affiliated clubs/groups at least 21 days before any such meeting.

Article 9 – Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Special General Meeting (SGM)

The AGM shall be held in the off-season, i.e. subsequent to the end of the previous season (after 30th April) but prior to the start of the following season. The Committee shall give due notice of the particular date of the AGM to the Club Secretary of all member clubs and any other relevant personnel (e.g. Badminton Scotland Regional Development Officer).

The Office Bearers (as outlined in Article 3) and any additional Committee members shall be elected at the AGM.

On any topic requiring a vote at an AGM or SGM, each club/group with a team participating in any of the DABA sanctioned leagues will be entitled to 1 vote. In addition, each Committee member will also be entitled to 1 vote. Greater than 50% of total possible votes (determined by the list of clubs/groups affiliating to DABA during the previous season – see Article 6) must be cast in order for a vote to be valid. In the event of the votes being equal, the President of DABA shall have the casting vote.

Anyone who plays in DABA sanctioned competitions may attend and speak at an AGM or at a SGM.

An SGM may be called at any time by the President or shall be triggered by a petition signed by not less than one-tenth of the affiliated clubs/groups of the Association.

Article 10 – Finance

All monies raised by, or on behalf of, the Association shall be applied to further the objectives of the Association and for no other purpose.

Article 11 – Disbandment

Notice of intention to disband the Association shall be given to all relevant parties at least two months before the date proposed for such disbandment.

The balance of funds, after all liabilities have been met, and all property belonging to the Association shall be transferred to such other charity/charities having objectives similar to those of the Association (excluding geographical limitations) as decided by the members at an AGM or a SGM, whom failing, the Committee shall decide.

Article 12 – General

The Association shall be governed in accordance with this Constitution and with Rules made by the Association at an AGM or at an SGM.

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