

Crescent Cricket Club – Constitution

1. Name

The name of the Club is Crescent Cricket Club, hereafter to be referred to as “the club” and the club shall be affiliated to the North East Scotland Cricket NESC and Strathmore & Perthshire Cricket Union SPCU.

2. Aims and Objectives

To foster and promote the sport of cricket as a participation sport for all ages and thereby provide opportunities for recreation, competition, coaching, sporting fellowship and fun for as many people wish to form an affiliation with the club

To manage Crescent Cricket Club

To ensure that all members, playing and non-playing, abide by the ECB Code of Conduct which incorporates the Spirit of Cricket and by the Laws of Cricket.

To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB ‘Safe Hands – Cricket’s Policy for Safeguarding Children’ and any future versions of the Policy.

To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB Cricket Equity Policy and any future versions of the Policy.

To encourage all members to participate fully in the activities of the club.

3. Membership

(a) Membership of the club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport of cricket on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs.

- The club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non discriminatory and fair basis. The club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.
- Application for membership of the club shall be by completion of a membership application form and by payment of the relevant subscription/joining fees as determined by the Annual General Meeting of the club.
- No person shall be eligible to take part in the business of the club or eligible for selection for any club team unless the appropriate subscription has been paid by the specified date or membership has been agreed by the Committee.
- The club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the club or cricket into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the Committee who shall appoint an Appeals Committee to hear the appeal.
- All members will be subject to the regulations of the Constitution and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these regulations and any Codes of

Conduct that the club has adopted. The Constitution shall identify those members eligible to vote at any General Meetings.

4. **Classes of Membership**

There shall be (*number*) of classes of membership available. These are:

- Full Member
- Junior Member (Under 18 years of age at the beginning of the current year)
- Non-playing Member
- Associate Member
- Social Member
- Family Member
- Honorary/ Life Member

A list of members in each category shall be maintained by the Treasurer or other Officer of the club.

5. **Officers**

The Officers of the club shall be as follows:

Executive Officers

- President: **Dave Gibson**
- Secretary: **Vineet Khanna**
- Treasurer: **Nathan Thangaraj**
- Club Captain: **Nathan Thangaraj**
- Club Development Secretary: **Alexander Pereira**
- Disciplinary Officer: **Anjum Toor**

Honorary Officers

- Vice-President:

6. **Election of Officers**

All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the club from, and by, the members of the club.

7. **Management Committee**

The affairs of the club shall be conducted by a Management (*General*) Committee (the Committee) comprising the Executive Officers of the club and members elected from, and by, the Full Members of the club. Only these members of the Committee shall be entitled to vote at Committee meetings.

The Committee will be convened by the Secretary and shall meet at agreed intervals and not less than four times per year.

The duties of the Committee shall be:

1. To control the affairs of the club on behalf of the members.
2. To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the club through the Treasurer. These should be available for reasonable inspection by members and should be audited before every Annual General Meeting. The club shall maintain a bank current account and the following Officers shall be authorised to sign club cheques: any two from the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.
3. To co-opt additional members of the Committee as the Committee feel is necessary. Co-opted members shall not be entitled to a vote on the Committee and shall serve until the end of the next Annual General Meeting.
4. To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes, the Chair shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

The Committee shall have powers to appoint sub-committees as necessary and to co-opt advisers who may be non club members invited to advise on specialist subjects.

An elected Committee member ceases to be such if he or she ceases to be a member of the club, resigns by written notice, or is removed by the Committee for good cause after the member concerned has been given the chance of putting their case to the Committee. Appeal against removal may be made to the Appeals Committee. The Committee shall fairly decide time limits and formalities for these steps.

The Committee has the power to:

1. acquire and provide grounds, equipment, coaching, training and playing facilities, clubhouse, transport, medical and related facilities
2. provide coaching, training, medical treatment, and related social and other facilities
3. take out any insurance for club, employees, contractors, players, guests and third parties
4. raise funds by appeals, subscriptions, loans and charges
5. borrow money and give security for the same, and open bank accounts
6. buy, lease or licence property and sell, let or otherwise dispose of the same
7. make grants and loans and give guarantees and provide other benefits
8. set aside funds for special purposes or as reserves
9. invest funds in any lawful manner
10. employ and engage staff and others and provide services

11. co-operate with or affiliate firstly to any bodies regulating or organising the sport of cricket and secondly any club or body involved with cricket and thirdly with government and related agencies
12. do all other things reasonably necessary to advance the aims and objectives of the club.

NONE of the above powers may be used other than to advance the aims and objectives in a manner consistent with the Rules and the general law.

8. General Meetings

The Annual General Meeting of the club shall be held not later than the end of April each year. (21) clear days written notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given to members by circulating a copy of the notice to every member at their home address and posting the notice on the club notice board. Members must advise the Secretary in writing of any other business to be moved at the Annual General Meeting at least 14 days before a meeting. The Secretary shall circulate or give notice of the agenda for the meeting to members not less than (7/14) days before the meeting.

At all General Meetings, the Chair will be taken by the Chair or, in their absence, by a deputy appointed by Full Members attending the meeting. Decisions made at a General Meeting shall be by a simple majority vote from those Full Members attending the meeting. In the event of equal votes, the Chair of the meeting shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

9. Alterations to the Constitution

Any proposed alterations to the club Constitution may only be considered at an Annual or Special General Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposal. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a Full Member of the club and seconded by another Full Member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than two-thirds of those Full Voting Members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

10. Finance

All club monies shall be banked in an account in the name of the club.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for the finances of the club and for providing a report on the financial position as required by the Committee.

The Treasurer shall ensure that the club maintains adequate and appropriate insurance to cover the activities of the club.

The financial year will end on 31st March.

11. Property and Funds

- (i) The property and funds of the club cannot be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of members other than as reasonably allowed by the Rules and all surplus income or profits shall be reinvested in the club.

- The club may also in connection with the sports purposes of the club:
 - (a) Sell and supply food, drink and related sports clothing and equipment
 - (b) Employ members and remunerate them for providing goods and services, on fair terms set by the Committee without the person concerned being present
 - (c) Pay for reasonable hospitality for visiting teams and guests
- Indemnify the Committee and members acting properly in the course of the running of the club against any liability incurred in the proper running of the club (but only to the extent of its assets).

12. Discipline and Appeals

Refer "Disciplinary Procedure" document.

13. Declaration

Crescent Cricket Club hereby adopts and accepts this Constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of all members.

Mr Vineet Khanna

SIGNED (CLUB SECRETARY)