

**Rules of  
The  
Lowerhouse  
Cricket and  
Social Club**

## **RULES OF THE LOWERHOUSE CRICKET CLUB**



1.—That the Club shall be called the Lowerhouse Cricket Club, and that the number of its members be unlimited.

2.—That the Club shall consist of Playing and Honorary Members and shall be governed by the Marylebone Rules of the game, with such exceptions as are adopted by the Lancashire League.

3.—That the affairs of the Club shall be conducted by a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Secretary and Committee of sixteen members, eight committee members to retire annually. A nomination sheet shall be placed in the Club eighteen days before the Annual General Meeting and all officers and retiring committee shall require nomination and be elected by ballot at the Annual General Meeting. The Committee shall elect one of its members at its first meeting after the Annual General Meeting as Chairman for the ensuing twelve months. Five of a Committee shall form a quorum.

4.—Nominations for officials and Committee must be made in writing on papers prepared by the Secretary and supplied to members along with notice of Annual General Meeting or on the nomination sheet posted up in the Club. Each nomination paper must state the name of proposer and seconder who shall be full financial members.

5.—The Committee may fill up any vacancy which may occur in their body by death, resignation or otherwise, within one month of the occurrence of such vacancy. If any member of the Committee absent himself from four consecutive meetings without satisfactory reasons, the Committee shall have power, if they see fit, of declaring his place vacant, and filling it up in the manner provided by this rule.

6.—The Committee shall regulate the charge of admission to the ground, and shall also have power to engage professional cricketers, and at any time of the year to secure the services of such for the coming season. Also the appointment and control of servants of the Club, property and premises, as well as the general arrangements of

the ground, and they may determine any question that may arise on these rules, or anything relative to the Club not provided by them. They shall also make such by-laws as may be deemed to be expedient, but no rules shall be altered, except at the Annual General Meeting, notice of which must have been given to the Secretary seven days prior to the Meeting.

7.—The Meeting called the Annual General Meeting shall be the one held as soon after the close of the season as Treasurer and Secretary can have their reports ready. At this meeting the Secretary shall present a printed report showing the results of matches played with the usual analysis, and the Treasurer shall also present at this meeting a printed Balance Sheet duly audited and signed, showing the receipts and expenditure for the past season.

8.—The fees of the Club shall be fixed on the recommendation of the Committee to be approved at the Annual General Meeting and shall be published annually in the Membership Cards.

9.—Upon complaint of any ungentlemanly or refractory conduct of any member, the Committee shall have power to investigate same, and if proved, to expel the offender or otherwise deal with him as they may think expedient, and such expelled member shall forfeit all right to the property of the Club.

10.—Subscriptions are due at the commencement of the season, and shall be paid on or before the 30th June in each year ; each member shall be furnished with a card of cricket fixtures which shall be indicative of his/her membership. Members in any season shall be considered to be members for the succeeding seasons unless notice to the contrary has been given to the Secretary before the commencement of the season.

11.—The Treasurer shall keep a Banking Account and cheques shall be signed by any two of Treasurer, Secretary and Chairman.

12.—On the written request of not less than 50 members, the Secretary shall call a General Meeting of the Club within 10 days

of such a request, such requisition shall state the business for which the meeting so desired is called. The Committee shall have the power of calling General Meetings without a requisition.

13.—These rules shall come into force as from their acceptance by the Committee at a meeting held 14th December, 1953.

SIGNED :

A. SALKELD, *Chairman.*

T. HOLGATE.

C. LUPTON.

A. WHALLEY, *Treasurer.*

N. COULTHURST, *Social Sec.*

W. L. EASTWOOD, *Secretary.*

# RULES OF THE LOWERHOUSE CRICKET AND SOCIAL CLUB



1.—That the Club shall be called the “Lowerhouse Social Club”. The objects of the Club are to provide the members with facilities for social amenities, reading, indoor games and entertainment. The Club is situated on the Lowerhouse Cricket Ground which place shall be recognised as the Club’s address and headquarters.

2.—No person will be accepted as a member of the Social Club unless he be 18 years of age and a member of the Lowerhouse Cricket Club.

3.—The property and effects of the Social Club shall belong to the members equally, but the right of interest of every member shall be personal and limited to himself and shall expire with his membership.

4.—Members shall be allowed to invite a guest into the Club to partake of refreshment but such guest may on no account

order or attempt to pay for, either directly or indirectly, any excisable articles which the Club may supply. On no account shall a member invite a guest to partake of excisable refreshments during hours when licensed premises are closed by law in the locality. No person shall be introduced whose place of abode is within a radius of one mile from the Club’s premises.

5.—In the event of a member being guilty of misconduct which in the opinion of the committee renders that person unfit to be a member, the committee shall afford such member an opportunity of explaining such conduct by interview or letter, and if no explanation is offered, or in the opinion of the committee the explanation given is unsatisfactory, the member shall be expelled or such penalty as the Club may determine.

6.—All annual subscriptions shall be payable in advance on the 1st day of January, except in the case of a first subscription which shall be paid on the election of the member. Non-payment of subscription or any other monies due to the Club from a member for 14 days after it shall have be-

come due shall be deemed to be misconduct within the meaning of rule 5.

7.—The affairs of the Social Club shall be entirely under the management of the officials of the Lowerhouse Cricket Club to be elected at the Lowerhouse Cricket Club Annual General Meeting. (See The Lowerhouse Cricket Club's rule 3).

8.—Every member shall be provided with a membership card to be produced for inspection when asked for by any of the committee or other responsible person.

9.—The officials in power shall have the sole control of all excisable articles which the Social Club may supply.

10.—The Club shall open at 12-5 a.m. on January 1st and close at 12 p.m. on December 31st. The sale of excisable goods shall be confined to those hours which the law at the time permits.

11.—The committee may also elect as Temporary Honorary Members visiting players and officials such membership to be valid during the time they are on the club premises, on the date when their Club have

a playing engagement of any kind on Lowerhouse ground and such election must take place at the committee meeting which is held prior to the date of the match being played, such names to be posted in the Club before the day of the match.

12.—The committee may from time to time make vary and rescind bye-laws regulating the affairs of the Club, but so that in case of inconsistency between any such bye-laws and these rules, the rules shall prevail. (See Cricket Club's rule 6).

13.—All breakages or damage to the property of the Club shall be replaced, paid for by the member responsible, or (in the case of breakage or damage caused by a visitor) by the member introducing such visitor. No member or guest should take or permit to be taken from the Clubhouse any article belonging to the club. No notice or document of any kind shall be placed in the clubhouse without the sanction of the committee.

14.—The fees of the Club shall be fixed on the recommendation of the committee to be approved at the Annual General Meet-

ing and shall be published annually in the membership cards.

15.—A copy of the rules and any amendments thereof shall be posted up and remain in the Club.

### **BYE-LAWS.**

1.—This Club will be open on week days only. The hours will be as follows  
12 noon to 12-30 p.m.      2-30 p.m. to  
10-30 p.m.

2.—The attention of Social Club members is drawn to Rule 4 in Social Club Rule Book.

3.—No bottles of beer, stout, etc., are to be taken off the premises during match days.

4.—Social Club members cannot use the club-room after the second Saturday in May unless they have paid their Cricket Club subscriptions.

*By Order,*

THE COMMITTEE

14th December, 1953.