Horam & District Lawn Tennis Association

Constitution

Name – This association of clubs will be known as The Horam and District Lawn Tennis Association

Object – To create enthusiasm for the game and endeavour to improve the standard of play among associated players by promoting the following competitions annually:

A league competition for clubs

Such other competitions as the council direct

Affiliation- The association will be open to all tennis clubs having the appropriate playing facilities within reasonable travelling distance of Horam. The affiliation fee will be such as decided at the preceding Annual General Meeting (AGM) and will be forwarded to the league treasurer by 30th April.

Eligibility – Players representing their club in competition must be full playing members of that club. They must not already have represented any other club in the association during the course of the current season. Qualified or practicing coaches of LTA level 3 or above may not participate.

Management – The management of the association shall be vested in a council composed of (a) the officers and (b) one delegate appointed by each club. The council shall be fully executive and shall be competent to decide all points, its decision being final.

Five shall form a quorum, three of whom should be from different clubs.

Officers – The officers of the association will be appointed by the council.

Currently the council appoints a Chairman, a Treasurer and one member elected from the affiliated clubs to act as a committee.

Meetings – The AGM will be held in the month of August when the report and statement of accounts made up to the preceding 31st July duly audited, will be presented, officers for the year elected and any other pertinent business transacted.

Where necessary, a Special General Meeting (SGM) may be called on the signed requisition of two clubs or by the council and a copy of the agenda for any such meetings must be sent to secretaries of affiliated clubs at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Voting powers at a general meeting will be confined to one vote per club. The Chairman will have the casting vote.

Assets – The officers of the association for the time being in office will be and hereby expressly appointed trustees of the trophies and all properties, including the funds, and will deal with them in accordance with the instruction of the council. The trophies cannot be won outright by any club or individual but will be held by the club or individual adjudged to be the winner of a competition for such time as the council may decide. All trophies will be insured by the clubs whose representatives are holding such trophies.

General – All matches under the auspices of the association will be played according to the rules of the LTA and only ITF approved balls of the current year shall be used.

Amendments – Alterations and additions to the rules and regulations may be made only at an AGM or SGM

Winding Up – When in the view of the council of the association have ceased to fulfil its function, a General Meeting will be called to discuss the winding up of the association. At this General Meeting the method of disposal of any assets of the association shall be determined.

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