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CONSTITUTION
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NELSON
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THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
NELSON BOATING CLUB

Organized April, 1896.

NAME.

1. The name of the Club shall be "The Nelson Boating Club."

COLORS.

2. The Colors of the Club shall be

OFFICERS.

3. The Officers of the Club shall consist of an Honorary President, a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary-Treasurer, Captain and two Vice-Captains.

4. There shall also be a committee of five members of the Club, who, together with the Officers,

shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Club.

5. The Officers and Committee of the Club shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Club, which shall be held on the second Monday in March of each year.

ORDER OF BUSINESS AT ANNUAL MEETING.

6. (a) Reading and confirmation of minutes of previous meeting or meetings.
- (b) Report of the Secretary-Treasurer.
- (c) Report of Captain.
- (d) Election of Officers.
- (e) Election of Committee.
- (f) Motions.
- (g) Notices of motion.

ORDER OF BUSINESS AT EXECUTIVE MEETINGS.

7. (a) Reading and confirmation of minutes of previous meeting.
- (b) Election of new members.
- (c) Communications.
- (d) Passing of accounts.
- (e) New business.
- (f) Notices of Motion.

DUTIES OF CAPTAIN AND VICE-CAPTAINS.

8. The Captain and Vice-Captain shall have entire control of the Club boats, and shall be responsible to the Committee for all matters pertaining to rowing. They shall select and superintend the

training of any and all crews, including scullers, which may represent the Club at any regatta, and also all crews, including scullers, which may take part in Club regattas, but their choice shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the Club.

9. In the event of injury to any Club boat, the crew using the boat shall be liable to make good the damage, unless the Committee see any good reason why the expense, or any part thereof, should be borne by the Club, in which case a full report of the circumstance shall be submitted to the Committee in writing.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

10. The Committee shall have charge of the Club houses and all Club property of whatsoever nature therein contained.

11. They shall have charge of the sale of racks and lockers.

12. They shall keep a proper record of their proceedings in a book provided for the purpose.

13. They shall have control of all the Club funds.

14. They shall have supreme charge of all arrangements for regattas, and shall have power to appoint such additional committees from amongst the members of the Club as they may deem expedient and necessary to successfully carry out such arrangements.

15. They shall have power to appoint among themselves sub-committees or standing committees, for general or special purposes as they may deem expedient.

16. They shall have power to administer generally all the internal affairs of the Club; and to make house rules (not being inconsistent herewith or with any of the By-Laws.)

VACANCIES IN COMMITTEE.

17. In the event of any vacancy occurring in the Committee after the annual general meeting, the committee shall have the power of filling it up.

PENALTY FOR NON-ATTENDANCE.

18. Should any member of the Committee be absent from three consecutive meetings of that body without a satisfactory excuse to the other members, he shall cease to hold office and his place be filled pursuant to Rule 17.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

19. Any gentleman wishing to become a member of the Club must be proposed and seconded by two members of the Club in good standing.

20. No member is eligible to use any of the Club boats, or take part in any race or regatta, until he has paid his dues for the current year.

MEMBERS TO BE NOTIFIED OF ELECTION.

21. On the election of each member, the secretary shall notify him, furnishing him with a copy of the Rules of the Club.

MEMBERS SUBJECT TO RULES.

22. Any candidate elected as a member, by the fact of such election, shall be held to have notice of and acquiesce in all Club Rules, which shall be posted by the Secretary in the Club Rooms.

ENTRANCE FEE AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

23. The entrance fee to the Club for all candidates shall be \$5 and the annual subscription \$5. Any member failing to pay his annual subscription within two months after the annual general meeting shall be liable to have his name posted in the Club Room as a defaulter, and if the subscription be not paid within one month from date of such posting, he shall cease to be a member and his name shall be erased from the books of the Club, unless the non-payment be explained to the satisfaction of the committee; but he shall not thereby be released from any liability to the Club. Should such person wish at any time to again become a member of the Club, he must first pay all arrears and then be elected in the usual manner.

VISITING MEMBERS.

24. Members have the privilege of introducing

any visitor, non-resident, as an honorary member for a period not exceeding ten days. For any extension of time application must be made to the Committee.

QUORUMS.

25. No meeting of the Club shall be competent to transact Club business unless a quorum be present, such quorum to consist, at a general meeting, of not less than twelve members, and at a committee meeting of not less than five members.

CALLING SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS.

26. The President, either of the Vice-Presidents, any three of the Committee, or any ten members of the Club shall have the power of calling a general meeting of the Club for the transaction of any business, on specifying the subject thereof by giving a written notice to the Secretary, and the Secretary shall notify the members of the Club of the date of such meeting, giving at least three (3) days notice.

AUDITORS.

27. Two Auditors shall be appointed annually by the Committee to inspect the accounts, they to report to the annual general meeting.

LIST OF MEMBERS TO BE PRINTED.

28. A full list of the members of the Club shall be printed and framed and hung up in the Club

Room by the 1st of June in each year, and shall be corrected by the Secretary from month to month.

SECRETARY TO KEEP MINUTES.

29. The Secretary shall keep correct minutes of the proceedings of the Club at each meeting, which shall be read by the Secretary at the ensuing meeting and signed by the Chairman.

SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS.

30. The Committee shall have power to suspend any member who in their opinion be guilty of any ungentlemanly conduct, or who may have transgressed the Rules, until a special general meeting of the Club, in whom alone the power to expel shall be vested. A vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be required to expel.

COMPLAINTS.

31. Any cause of complaint that may arise is to be addressed to the Secretary in writing and signed by the member or members so complaining, which complaint must be specially noticed by the Committee at their next meeting.

ALTERATION IN CONSTITUTION.

32. No alteration must be made in the Constitution unless at a general meeting of the Club, and notice of such proposed alteration shall be posted in the Club Room at least two weeks previous to such meeting.

TEMPORARY ALTERATION OF BY-LAWS.

33. The Committee have power to temporarily alter, suspend or add to any By-Law which, in their opinion, will tend to promote the benefit or welfare of the Club.

ROWING.

34. No member shall under any circumstances row for money prizes.

35. No crew shall contend for any public prize under the name of the Club without the sanction of the Committee.

36. The Captain of the Club, if present, or in his absence the member pulling the stroke oar in any Club boat shall be Captain of his boat for the time being.

37. Every member on landing from a Club boat shall assist in housing such boat.

PRINTING RULES.

38. These Rules shall be printed and a copy of the same sent to every member of the Club by the Secretary.





