

## 2016 GENERAL CLUB RULES



1. **Title:** The name of the club shall be "The 500 Owners Association Ltd." hereafter referred to as the club.
2. **Objects:**
  - i. To further the interests of people owning 500cc cars and 500cc type cars with engines of other capacities.
  - ii. To provide members with technical advice and help.
  - iii. To promote the uses of 500cc cars in hill climbs and other events.
  - iv. To provide assistance to people interested in 500cc cars.
3. **Membership:** Men and women over 16 years of age shall be eligible for membership.
4. **Management:** The authority and responsibility for the transaction of the business of the club shall be the committee.
5. **Election of Officers:** The Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary and other elected members of the committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The committee shall have the power to co-opt other members.
6. **Committee:** The committee should not consist of less than four members. Three members of the committee shall form a quorum.
7. **Meeting of the Committee:** The committee shall meet whenever summoned by the secretary but in any case no less than twice a year.
8. **Duties of the Secretary:** The Secretary shall attend in person or by deputy at all meetings of the club and keep a proper record of all such meetings.
9. **Banking:** The Treasurer shall bank all monies of the club in the name of the club and no disbursements shall be made there from except in accordance with the form or forms authorised by the committee.
10. **Election of Members:** Membership of the club shall be open to all those interested in 500cc and 500cc type cars but will be subject to the discretion of the committee. Membership of the club will only be for the period of the current subscription.
11. **Subscription:** The subscription will be revised at each Annual general Meeting and put to an open vote. Club badges and other regalia items sold to members at prices laid down by the committee.
12. **Payment of subscriptions:** Subscriptions become payable on 1st January of each year.
13. **Non payment of subscriptions:** Any members of the club who has not paid his subscription within four clear months of the date on which it was due shall be notified by the Secretary or Treasurer and one months later any member who has failed to pay his subscription may, unless sufficient reason be shown to the Committee, be taken off the Register of Members forthwith.
14. **New Members:** No new member shall be entitled to any privileges of membership until after payment of his first subscription.
15. **Resignation:** Any member ceasing, voluntarily or otherwise to be a member shall thereafter cease to have any claim upon the property of the club or to enjoy any of the privileges of membership but he or she shall remain liable for the payment of any debts due to the club from him or her.
16. **Honorary Members:** The committee may elect as honorary members any persons who have been distinguished in promoting the cause of motoring in general and of 500cc cars in particular.
17. **Expulsion of members:** The committee may expel a members from the club if they, by a 2,3 majority deem it.
18. **Annual General Meeting:** The annual General Meeting of the club shall be held in the month of November, December or January each year and shall:
  - i. Receive from the committee a statement of accounts.
  - ii. Receive from the committee a report of the club's activities.

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- iii. Elect the committee and Officers.
- iv. Decide on any resolution submitted to the meeting.
19. **Special General Meeting:** A special General Meeting may be convened by the discretion of the committee on the request of the Secretary. Twelve members shall form a quorum at such a meeting.
20. **Voting:** All members of the club shall have one vote.
21. **Alteration of Rules:** Any alteration may be made to these rules by the committee and will then be presented to the next Annual General Meeting for ratification.
22. **Events:** All motor competitions promoted by the club shall be held under the general competition rules of the MSA and in accordance with any requirements of the MSA. Any member convicted of an offence arising out of his being in charge of a motor vehicle in any club event or club business shall be liable to expulsion from the club under Rule 17.
23. **Dissolution:** The club may be dissolved by a Special General Meeting convened by direction of the committee or on the requisition of the majority of members. If the club is dissolved, the committee will liquidate the affairs of the club and dispose of any surplus assets at their discretion.
24. **Awards:** All awards given by the club as challenge trophies shall remain the property of the club and shall be returned to the club upon demand of the Secretary.
25. **Eligibility for Awards:** Any awards given by the club will be to club members driving cars that comply with current eligibility rules.

-----End of General Club Rules-----