

CONSTITUTION

Title

The club shall be called Milton Keynes Camcorder Club hereinafter referred to as The Club.

Aims

- To promote the interest and activities of amateur video and cine film making.
- To impart knowledge by means of mutual help and discussion between members.

Subscriptions

There will be an annual subscription reviewed by the committee each year at the AGM. All subscriptions will be due on conclusion of the AGM, to be cleared within 21 days. Special rates will apply for Junior members. Any member two months in arrears with their subscription shall be referred to the Committee. No member shall be allowed to vote until their subscription is fully paid up. New members are allowed one visit before joining. Members may invite one guest to attend.

Finance

The Club's financial year shall run from 1st June until 31st May. The Treasurer shall keep the accounts of the Club and present them at the Annual General Meeting, or when requested by the Committee. Members are responsible for ensuring that their payments reach the clubs bank account. Online or electronic methods of payment are preferred. Cheques will be paid in over the counter at a bank (not via the treasurer). When making a payment, members must request their bank to insert a reference, (i.e. their name, so that the credit may be identified on the account statement. All monies of the Club will be deposited with Lloyds Bank. No member shall receive payment other than reasonable out of pocket expenses, necessarily incurred for services rendered to, or on behalf of, the club. All items of expenditure to be approved by Committee.

Officers

The Officers of the Club will consist of:-

- The Chairman
- The Secretary
- The Treasurer

These positions will be filled by members elected annually at the A.G.M. to serve on the Committee. Only fully paid up members will be eligible for election. If there are insufficient nominations to fill each specific position, nominated members may be elected generally to serve on the Committee, which will itself subsequently decide on the allocation of the above roles.

Membership

Full Member

Open to all members of the public who, upon return of a membership application form, (obtainable from the clubs website), satisfy the Committee of their active interest to further the aims of the Club.

Junior Member

As full member but under 18 years old, or in full time education.

Honorary Member

The Committee shall have the power to nominate Honorary Members. They are not entitled to vote at any club meetings.

Management

The management of the Club and the control of its funds, affairs and property will be vested in the Committee. The Committee will comprise:-

- The Chairman
- The Secretary
- The Treasurer
- Two Members

Three members will form a quorum.

The Committee will:-

- Manage the clubs affairs to the best of its ability in accordance with the club rules.
- Interpret these rules as necessary
- Reserve the right to refuse membership for any reason.
- Appoint Sub-Committee members as and when deemed necessary
- Fill any vacancy which may occur during the year amongst the Officers of the Club or its Committee
- Have the power to nominate a President and a Vice-President.

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Rules

(Updated at 2009 Annual General Meeting – amended sections highlighted with bar)

1. **Members who have paid their subscription for the current year shall be entitled to:-**
 - **Apply for a part in any of the Club's Productions**
 - **Attend at meetings**
 - **Participate in other activities of the Club.**
2. **A copy of these Rules shall be sent to every member on their membership acceptance, and thereupon the member will be deemed to have accepted them and be bound thereby.**
3. **Amendments to these Rules shall be notified to all paid up members and to LloydsBank within 30 days of effectiveness.**
4. **The Committee may in special circumstances, and where in their opinion it is desirable to do so, reduce the annual subscription of any member.**
5. **The Committee shall have the power to co-opt any member of the Club in a non-voting advisory capacity.**
6. **The Committee shall have the power to immediately cease the membership of any member whose conduct has been, in their opinion and after due enquiry, injurious to the character and interests of the Club. Any such member shall thereafter, subject to a right of appeal within 14 days to a special meeting of the Committee to be called for that purpose, forfeit all rights and privileges of membership.**
7. **An Ordinary General Meeting shall be called at the request of the Committee or, on receiving a written request signed by at least 2/3rd of the paid up members of the Club, together with their reasons, giving at Least 14 days notice of such Meeting.**
8. **The date of the Annual General Meeting will be within 13 months of the preceding Annual General Meeting. The date will be published on the clubs website. An agenda, financial accounts and nomination forms will be made available at the meeting itself.**

The following business will be dealt with at the A.G.M.:-

- **The reading and adoption of the preceding A.G.M's minutes**
 - **Matters arising from minutes**
 - **Chairman's and Programme Report**
 - **Treasurer's Report**
 - **Election of Committee Members**
 - **Election of independent auditor for the ensuing year**
 - **Any other business.**
9. **All members shall be entitled to attend the A.G.M and General Meetings of the Club, and (Honorary members excepted) be entitled to one vote at such Meetings.**
 10. **Any member desirous of moving a resolution at the A.G.M shall deliver a written notice stating the purpose thereof to the Secretary not later than 14 days prior to the Meeting.**
 11. **Any member may retire from membership at any time by giving notice to the Secretary in writing.**
 12. **Dissolution If at any General Meeting a resolution for the dissolution of the club shall be passed by a majority of the members present, a special general meeting shall be held, within one month, at which a 2/3 majority of its members will instruct the Officers and Committee Members to realise the property and assets of the club, and discharge all the liabilities as required. After discharge of all liabilities, any remaining monies shall be vested in the Committee for subsequent discharge to a nominated registered charity. Upon completion of such discharge, the club shall be dissolved.**
 13. **Members agree that copyright agreement for club films cannot be retrospectively withdrawn, and involvement in joint club filming is an implicit agreement to this rule.**