

# CLUB RULES OF ULSTER CLASSIC MOTORCYCLE CLUB LIMITED

## 1.0 Name

The Club is called **ULSTER CLASSIC MOTORCYCLE CLUB LTD.**

## 2.0 Objects

The Club is formed for the promotion of Classic Off-Road Motorcycle competition. There are two main categories of machines, Classic and Twinshock. Eligible Classic Machines are defined as motorcycles of model year or design up to 31<sup>st</sup> December 1977 (inclusive). Twinshocks are defined as air cooled, drum braked machines of model year or design up to 31<sup>st</sup> December 1984 (inclusive). Included in this category are machines with linkage rear suspension. These 2 defined categories are intended to be the only categories for the lifetime of the Club and cannot be changed, added to, altered, amended or rescinded by anyone, except by a majority vote of the Directors of the Company

## 3.0 Qualification formembership

Membership shall be open to any person duly elected, subject to the following provisions: -

3.1 Candidates for election shall complete and sign the Club's usual application form, stating which category of membership is required. Approval of membership shall be at the sole discretion of the Directors of the Company.

3.2 Categories of membership shall be:

3.2.1 Club Members (Rider)

3.2.2 Club member (Non Rider)

3.3 On election, every member undertakes to comply with the Club Rules (from time to time applying).

## 4.0 Constitution of Club

The Club is a propriety club, the proprietor and sole manager of which (subject to these rules) is Ulster Classic Motorcycle Club Limited (the "Company") and shall be affiliated to the **Amateur Motor Cycle Association**. The Company is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, incorporated on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2016 and registered in Northern Ireland under number **NI 640251**.

## 5.0 Rights and Liabilities of Members

5.1 Membership of the Club shall entitle such members to enjoy the facilities of the Club and to participate in events organised by it.

5.2 A member is not under any financial liability by reason of his membership except for payment of his annual subscription to the Company.

5.3 Membership shall date from approval by the Directors until the following [*31<sup>st</sup> January*].

5.4 In the case of a competitor or social member being elected to membership for the first time on any date after [*1 July*] the subscription payable shall be 60% of the appropriate annual subscription, or £6.00 minimum.

5.5 The Club shall not be responsible for any act, default or omissions of its members or any consequence of them.

5.6 Any member of the Club who wishes to become a member of the Company shall apply in writing to the Directors in such form as the Directors may from time to time prescribe.

## **6.0 Amount of Subscriptions**

6.1 The annual subscriptions for members are: -

6.1.1 Competitor members £10

6.1.2 Non Riders members £10

## **7.0 Date of Payment of Subscriptions**

7.1 Annual subscriptions together with a duly completed renewal form are due on [ 1 Feb] and must be paid to the Secretary on behalf of the Company or to the bank account of the Company on or before that date in each year.

7.2 No member whose subscriptions are in arrears may compete for any club prize or participate in any event organised by the club.

## **8.0 Resignation of Members**

8.1 A member may resign his membership at any time by letter addressed to **THE SECRETARY, 24, CARDY ROAD, GREYABBEY. BT22 2LT** but is liable for his subscription for the year during which he resigns.

## **9.0 Avoidance of Membership**

9.1 Any member who is adjudicated bankrupt or who makes a composition with his creditors under the provisions of any statute or is convicted of any indictable offence immediately ceases to be a member of the club provided that, if his adjudication is annulled or his conviction is set aside, the Directors must, and in any other case the Directors may restore him to membership as from the date he ceased to be a member.

## **10.0 Expulsion of Member for Misconduct**

10.1 The Directors may expel from the club any member whose conduct is in their opinion injurious to the character of the club or the interests of the members.

10.2 Before a member is expelled, his conduct must be inquired into by the Directors and he must be given full opportunity to defend himself and to justify or explain his conduct.

10.3 If a majority of the Directors present when the matter is inquired into are of the opinion that the member has been guilty of such conduct and has failed to justify or explain it satisfactorily, the Directors must call on the member to resign and, if he does not resign, must expel him.

10.4 An expelled member forfeits all the privileges of membership and all rights against the club.

10.5 An expelled member is not entitled to any refund of his subscriptions and remains liable for his subscription for the year during which he is expelled.

## **11.0 Notices**

11.1 All notices to be given to members of the club may be given by prepaid letter addressed to a member at the last address which he has furnished to the Secretary and are deemed to have been given on the day when such letter would have arrived in the due course of post.

11.2 Members must notify the Secretary immediately upon any change of address.

## **12.0 Settlement of Disputes**

12.1 Any dispute or difference that may arise as to the meaning or interpretation of these rules or as to the powers of the officers or the Directors or the validity of any election or proceeding of the Directors, must be determined by the members of the Company, whose decision is final and binding on all the members of the Club.

## **13.0 Amendment of Rules**

13.1 These rules or any of them may from time to time be revoked, altered or added to by a resolution at a meeting of the Directors by a majority of the Directors present and entitled to vote.

## **14.0 Legally Binding Nature of the Club Rules**

14.1 In consideration of the Club making its facilities and services available to the member, the member agrees that the Club Rules will form a legally binding agreement between the member and the Club.

## **15.0 Interpretation**

15.1 In the interpretation of these rules: -

15.1.1 'Director' and 'Secretary' respectively mean a director and secretary of the Company

15.1.2 the 'Club' means Ulster Classic Motorcycle Club Limited; and

15.1.3 'member' means a member of the Club (except where otherwise provided).

15.2 Headings in these rules are for ease of reference only and should not be taken into account in their interpretation.