

Constitution
Lamb Angling Club – Tamworth
Founded 1928
Club Constitution
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Headquarters
Coton & Hopwas Social Club
School Lane, Hopwas
Tamworth Staffs
B78 3AD

- 1. Name.** The name of the club will be the Lamb Angling Club and herewith referred to as Lamb Angling Club.or Lamb AC or L.A.C
- 2. Headquarters.** Coton & Hopwas Social Club, School Lane, Hopwas, Tamworth Staffs, B78 3AD
- 3. Objects.** The general objects of the Lamb Angling Club shall be to provide the facilities of an angling club for its members, including the organisation and provision of angling, regular contests and to promote the interests of angling and anglers.
- 4. Trustees – a.** There shall be 3 or 4 trustees of the Lamb Angling Club who shall be appointed from time to time as necessary by the Lamb AC in general meeting from among ordinary or honorary members who are willing to be so appointed.
A trustee shall hold office during his/her life, or until he/she shall resign by notice in writing given to the committee, or until a resolution removing him/her from office shall be passed at a general meeting of the Lamb AC by a majority comprising two thirds of the members present and entitled to vote.
b. All property of the Lamb Angling Club, including land and investments, shall be held by the trustees for the time being, for the use and benefit of the Lamb AC. On the death, resignation or removal from office of a Trustee, the Committee shall take steps to procure the appointment by the Lamb AC in General Meeting of a new Trustee in his/her place, and shall as soon as possible thereafter take all lawful and practical steps to procure the vesting of all Lamb AC property into the names of the Trustees as constituted after the said appointment.
c. The Trustees shall in all respects act, in regard to any property of the Lamb Angling Club, held by them, In accordance with the directions of the Committee; and shall have power to sell, lease, mortgage or pledge any Lamb AC property, for the purpose of raising or borrowing money for the benefit of the Lamb AC in compliance with the Committee’s directions. But no purchaser, lessee or mortgagee shall be concerned to enquire whether any such direction has been given.
d. The Trustees shall be effectively indemnified by the Lamb Angling Club from and against any liability, costs, expenses and payments whatsoever which may be properly incurred or made by them in relation to any legal proceedings or which otherwise relate directly or indirectly to the performance of the functions of a Trustee.

5. Membership

- a.** The Lamb Angling Club shall consist of the following classes of members, viz.
 - i. Ordinary Members
 - ii. Honorary Members
 - iii. Two Rod Members (Ordinary)
 - iv. Three Rod Members (Ordinary)
 - v. Senior Citizens (Ordinary)
 - vi. Junior Member
 - vii. Canal Only Member (Ordinary)
- b.** Membership in any class may be limited by the Committee subject to confirmation at the next General Meeting.

6. Ordinary Membership

- a.** Every candidate for Ordinary Membership (This includes, 2 rod, 3 rod, senior citizens, juniors and canal only members) shall be proposed and seconded by two members of the Lamb Angling Club in good standing; who as well as candidate shall sign the application form. Admission to Ordinary Membership shall be by election of the Committee who may refuse any application without stating a reason.
- b.** Every candidate elected to Ordinary Membership shall be notified of their election by the Hon. Secretary, and upon paying the entrance fee and first annual subscription shall be deemed to be a Member of the Lamb Angling Club and shall also be deemed to have agreed to be bound by the rules and bye-laws of the Lamb AC

7. Honorary Membership.

Honorary Members may be elected at any Committee meeting of the Lamb AC for any period as the meeting shall determine upon a two thirds majority vote of committee members present and voting.

8. Subscriptions

The annual subscriptions payable by Ordinary members shall be such sum as the member shall determine from time to time in General Meeting. It shall be payable on election to Ordinary Membership and thereafter annually.

9. Misconduct

- a.** The Committee shall take action as necessary with any member for conduct which in their opinion is injurious or tends to be injurious to the interests of the Lamb Angling Club or its objects or its members or angling, but before expelling a member the Committee shall enquire into their conduct and they shall be given a reasonable opportunity to defend and justify themselves either in writing or appearing before the Committee as they shall elect, and the Committee's power to expel shall be on a majority vote of those present at the enquiry.
- b.** An expelled member shall forfeit all rights and privileges of membership but shall remain liable for any dues or debts to the Lamb AC which became payable or were incurred before the date of expulsion.

10. Management

The Management of the Lamb Angling Club shall be vested in the Committee (except as otherwise provided by these rules)

11. Officers

Chairman, Vice Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting of the Lamb Angling Club after being proposed and seconded and indicating their consent, and shall be ex officio members of the Committee.

12. The Committee

a. The Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer and not less than 4 or more than 10 Ordinary Members of the Lamb AC elected at an Annual General Meeting, and shall have the power to co-opt up to 2 members, and may in its discretion invite any persons, whether members of the Lamb AC or not, to attend any committee meeting.

b. At the annual general meeting each year one half of the Committee for the time being (or the nearest number to 1 half) being those longest on the Committee since the last elected shall retire from office, but shall be eligible for re-election, when every ordinary and honorary member shall be entitled to vote for as many candidates as there are vacancies to be filled, and in the case of two or more candidates for a vacancy receiving an equal number of votes the chairman of the meeting shall have a 2nd or casting vote.

c. The committee shall have the power to fill any casual vacancy on the committee and any member so appointed shall retire at the next Annual General Meeting but shall be eligible for re-election.

d. The committee shall meet on at least 8 occasions each year to examine the accounts and to arrange the affairs of the Lamb Angling Club, and minutes shall be taken of every meeting.

e. No member may serve on the committee unless his/her membership has been consecutive for more than 5 years unless co-opted by the serving committee.

f. Five Committee Members will form a quorum at any committee meeting.

g. Committee members who do not attain a 50% attendance record at committee meetings during a year will be required to retire at the next annual general meeting, but will be eligible for re-election.

h. No serving committee member of another club will be eligible for election to the Committee.

i. Members must be in membership for a minimum of 2 years to be eligible to vote in their 3rd year of membership at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.