

DARLINGTON CAMCORDER CLUB RULES

(Updated APRIL 2009 following discussion at the AGM)

1. The name of the Club shall be the Darlington Camcorder Club.
2. The object of the Club shall be the encouragement of the art and science of video photography and the practice thereof.
3. The affairs of the Club shall be in the hands of a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Competition Secretary, Programme Secretary, such other officers as the Club may from time to time appoint, and two ordinary members. Four members of this committee shall constitute a quorum.
4. Honorary Life Vice Presidents may be appointed *at the AGM by secret ballot.*
5. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held in March.
 - a) All members whose addresses are known to the Secretary shall be given at least 7 days notice in writing or by email of the AGM and of any proposal to amend these rules.
 - b) Ten members shall constitute a quorum.
6. The business of the AGM shall be to:
 - a) consider and receive reports from the officers
 - b) consider and receive accounts from the Treasurer for the previous financial year
 - c) elect the Officers and Committee to hold office until the next AGM. No member shall be eligible for re-election to a post after three consecutive years in that post unless there is no other nomination
 - d) approve the annual subscription, having heard the recommendation of the Treasurer
 - e) discuss any other matter of interest to the club
 - f) decide on any proposal to amend this constitution.
7. The Committee may call a Special General Meeting and shall do so on receipt of a written request signed by five members stating the purpose for which the meeting is requested. Rules 5 a) and 5 b) shall also apply to a Special General Meeting.
8. *At Committee Meetings decisions will if required be subject to a majority vote. Each member of the Committee shall be entitled to one vote and the Chairman also has a casting vote in the event of a tied vote.*
9. The Committee shall have power to
 - a) fill any vacancy on the Committee between Annual General Meetings.
 - b) decline to accept a prospective member of the Club
10. The financial year of the Club shall run from 1st March to 28th February. Annual subscriptions shall be due in September. A person having attended three meetings without paying his or her subscription shall lose membership rights.
11. A non-member may attend up to three meetings of the Club per season before being approached to join.
12. On the recommendation of the Committee, a member whose conduct is considered to be prejudicial to the good name of the Club may be expelled by majority vote of a Special General Meeting of the Club.
13. These rules may be amended at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose.
14. *A copy of these rules is to be provided to all members.*