



RULES FOR THE HURLEY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

1. TITLE

The full title of the Association shall be the Hurley Owners Association. (HOA)

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Association are to promote and further the interests of the HOA, and to represent the interests of members as follows:

- (a) To keep members informed of developments concerning the Association and any proposals concerning Association Rules.
- (b) To organise meets, afloat and ashore.
- (c) To maintain an archive of information of general and technical interest relating to boats within the Association.
- (d) To provide a forum for discussion and queries through a newsletter and website.

3. TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Throughout these Rules the following defined terms will be used:

- (a) "The Association" shall mean the Hurley Owners Association.
- (b) "The Committee" shall mean the Committee of the Association, consisting of elected committee members.
- (c) "The Association Rules" shall mean the Rules governing the conduct of the Association.
- (d) "The Association Directory" shall mean the register of members of the Association with their addresses, and details of boat, to be kept as hereafter provided.

4. MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

- (a) The following classes of membership shall be recognised:
 - (i) Membership
 - (ii) Life Membership.
- (b) Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription, be open to any person with an interest in boats built by Hurley Marine or designed by Ian Anderson or boats derived from such designs.

- (c) Life Membership shall be open to any person having an interest in the Association who is proposed by a Member, seconded by at least one member of the Committee and agreed by a simple majority of Committee members.
- (d) Members shall be bound by the Association Rules.
- (e) Each member shall be entitled to one vote at a General Meeting of the Association, or in a postal ballot. Life Members shall be entitled to attend and speak at any General Meeting, but not to vote.
- (f) Members are deemed to agree to their contact and boat details being held in the Association database and published from time to time in the Directory.

5. MANAGEMENT

- (a) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the Committee, which shall be the only body empowered to make recommendations to the Association for changes in the Rules.
- (b) The Committee shall consist of not less than three and not more than six full members of the Association, elected annually at a General Meeting of Members, or by postal vote. The Committee shall have powers to co-opt any person to assist it, whether a full member of the Association or not, but such persons shall have no vote in Committee.
- (c) The Committee need not fill a vacancy arising in the Committee unless the total number of Committee Members has dropped below the minimum of three. Committee Members appointed to fill vacancies shall remain in office until the expiry of the term of office of the person whose position they have filled.
- (d) At its first meeting to be held after the Annual General Meeting of the Association, the Committee:
 - (i) Shall elect one of its members to act as Chairman of the Association for the following year.
 - (ii) May elect one of its members to act as Vice Chairman of the Association for the following year.
 - (iii) Shall elect a Minutes Secretary, who shall keep correct minutes and records of all Committee and General Meetings.
 - (iv) Shall elect a Treasurer, and if necessary a Deputy Treasurer, who shall control the funds of the Association: make such disbursements as the Committee shall direct: present an annual financial statement at each Annual General Meeting.
 - (v) Shall elect a Membership Secretary to process applications for membership: maintain the Association Directory.
 - (vi) Shall elect a Webmaster to maintain the Association website.
 - (vii) Shall elect a Newsletter Editor to produce Association newsletters periodically, as agreed by the Committee.
- (e) If not already elected as members of the Committee, the officers in (d) (iii) – (vii) above may be co-opted onto the Committee.
- (f) All Committee and co-opted posts are honorary.
- (g) At meetings of the Committee, two-thirds of the elected members shall form a quorum.
- (h) At least three weeks notice of the date, place and agenda for any Committee Meeting must be given by the Chairman to each Committee Member. Any business conducted by correspondence shall always be circulated through the Chairman and any Committee Member not answering a motion communicated to him in writing within three weeks of the date of sending shall be deemed to have agreed to such a motion.

6. POWER OF THE COMMITTEE

- (a) Subject to the provision of these Rules, and in particular to the objectives of the Association, as expressed in Rule 2, the Committee shall be empowered to perform all functions of management and administration.
- (b) The making of payments and receipt of monies shall be validly evidenced only by the signature of the Treasurer or his Deputy as appointed by the Committee and payments or receipt of monies exceeding the sum of £250 shall require the approval of two Committee Members.
- (c) The Committee shall have power to make recommendations to the members in general meeting, or by post, for alteration in, or additions to, the Association Rules.

7. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION

- (a) The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held at any place judged by the Committee to be most convenient to the majority of members of the Association. The precise date, time and place shall be at the Committee's discretion.
- (b) A Special General Meeting shall be called by the Chairman on receipt of a written request, signed by not fewer than fifteen full members of the Association.
- (c) At least six week's written notice shall be given to members of any General Meeting.
- (d) Members who wish to raise a matter at the AGM must advise the Chairman three weeks in advance of the meeting.
- (e) At any General Meeting or Committee Meeting decisions shall be limited to matters on the agenda and shall be carried by a majority vote. Voting shall be by a show of hands, unless a poll is demanded by not fewer than three of the full members present. At any meeting the Chairman shall have a casting vote. The Chairman shall be responsible for circulating all members or in the case of Committee Meetings, all Committee Members, with the result of any voting. In the event of a postal ballot, all returns shall be made to the Chairman within two weeks of the date of posting the ballot paper.
- (f) At any General Meeting of the Association, six shall form a quorum.

8. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- (a) Subscriptions for membership of the Association shall be payable annually and shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and shall become due on 1st March of the following year. A member joining the Association after 1st October whose subscription has been paid for that year, shall not be liable to pay his subscription for the ensuing calendar year.
- (b) Unless otherwise determined by the Association in General Meeting, the annual subscription for a member shall be £10.
- (c) Any member whose subscription has not been paid within three months of the date due may have his name removed from the list of members of the Association by the Committee. A member's name may be restored to the Association Directory at the discretion of the Committee, on payment of any subscription due.
- (d) No subscription is payable by Life Members.

9. ACCOUNTS

- (a) The Committee shall cause true accounts to be kept giving particulars of:
 - (i) All monies, assets and liabilities of the Association.
 - (ii) All monies received and expended by the Association and the reasons for such receipts and expenditure.
 - (iii) All sales and purchases by the Association.
- (b) The Committee shall agree an independent examiner who shall certify the annual financial statement
- (c) The Committee shall cause the annual financial statement to be prepared and presented at every Annual General Meeting of the Association.
- (d) A copy of the annual financial statement, duly examined, prepared for presentation at a General Meeting shall, not less than fourteen days prior to such General Meeting, be sent to every full member of whose address the Committee is aware.

10. LIABILITY AT EVENTS

HOA may act as a communication network to facilitate the organization of events and meets, both afloat (i.e. rallies at a marina, anchorage or other berth) and ashore. The HOA will not act in any direct management or organisational capacity at such events and meets. Detailed organisation and management of events and meets is the responsibility of the individuals participating. HOA accepts no liability for any accident, incident or injury caused by a participant to any other party or suffered by a participant during a rally, meet or other gathering. Liability for such accidents, incidents and injuries rests with individual participants and HOA expects that participants in rallies and meets will hold 3rd party insurance for themselves and their boats.