

**Bye Laws of the
Ivybridge Constitutional Club**

(1) Refreshments.

Such refreshments and at such tariff as the committee may determine, shall be supplied to the members not withstanding non-excisable refreshments may be supplied by a servant duly authorised by the Committee to do so at his expense and from which he shall derive any benefit.

(2) Members Payment.

All members must pay every expense they incur in the Club before they leave the premises

(3) Complaints.

All complaints or suggestions shall be made in writing to the Secretary

(4) Conduct of Employees.

The conduct of an employee shall in no instance be made a matter of personal reprimand by anyone other than the. Secretary of the Club. All complaints against employees or in regard to domestic arrangements of the Club shall by anyone other than the Secretary shall be addressed to the Secretary in writing who shall submit the same for determination by the Committee

(5) No member shall give any money to the employees of the Club, however small tips and drinks are permitted. Bills Notices etc. No bill, notice, placard or newspaper shall be posted or distributed on or about the Club premises without the permission of the committee or some person authorised by them.

(6) Books Papers etc. All books, papers or pamphlets written or printed shall be stamped with the club stamp before being placed in the club rooms and no books papers or pamphlets shall be admitted into the Club without the sanction of the Committee or the Secretary.

(7) Petitions.

No Committeemen or officer of the club shall sign any petition or document on behalf of the club, relating to matters not immediately connected with the management of the Club without the express sanction of the committee

(8) Damage to Property.

Any person damaging the furniture or other property of the Club shall make good the same to the satisfaction of the Committee.

(9) Removal of Property.

No Member shall remove any property of the Club.

(10) Dress.

All members and their guests whilst in the Club premises shall maintain such suitable standard of dress as the Committee in their absolute discretion shall determine. The following rules apply to gentlemen on a Saturday evening after 8.00pm:

- No shorts or three-quarter length trousers
- A collar must be worn (shirt, polo shirt etc.)
- In addition the following rules apply at all times –
- Gentlemen – the wearing of vest tops is not permitted

Members who have taken part in strenuous sports activities are required to change out of sportswear before entering the bar area.

- No dirty work or hiking boots
- Ladies are required to dress in a manner befitting a private members club

(11) Cashing of members cheques.

The Club will not cash member's personal cheque

(12) Disclaimer for Personal Injury, Loss or Damage to Property.

The Club accepts no responsibility for injury loss or damage to persons or property however sustained on the premises of the Club

(13) Dogs

No dogs shall be allowed on the Club premises except at the discretion of the Committee

(14) Mobile Phone use

Members wishing to use their mobile telephones should move to the front foyer or garden area. If left unattended then they should be left on silent. Texting etc is permitted

(15) Smoking

Smoking is only permitted in the designated area to the rear of the property. Special dispensation is granted to disabled members of the Club who are unable to gain access to the designated area. All cigarette butts must be placed in the receptacles provided. Any member who is observed leaving butts on the floor, or smoking in a undesignated area will receive a reminder of the Club rule and if the member continues to break the Club rules they will be brought before Committee

(16) Hats / Caps

The wearing of hats and caps inside the Club is not permitted unless special permission has been granted by the Committee on medical grounds/ club run social events eg fancy dress.

(17) Drinking on the dance floor

For the safety of others, drinking on the dance floor during entertainment evenings is not permitted.

(18) Election.

All members standing for election must produce a bio pic (a photo and 150 words stating why members should vote for them).

(19) Committee Nominations.

No member of the Committee who has resigned, may be nominated to stand for re-election until the time they would have served on the Committee had they not resigned, has expired. The exception to this rule is those members who have had to step down due to health reasons etc

(20)Alteration of Bye-Laws

These Bye-Laws shall not be altered without the approval by the members at a Special General Meeting, but the Committee may at any time add thereto by the issue of new Bye-Laws

(21) Exhibition of Rules and Bye-Laws.

A copy of these rules and Bye-Laws shall at all time be exhibited in a prominent position on the Club premises.

Date of Last Rule Amendment 31st March 2009

Gail Wilson