

TRINITY OXFORD

Club Name

The full name of the club is Trinity Oxford Netball Club. Some team names may change due individual identification and/or sponsorship but will still be part of Trinity Oxford Netball Club. Throughout this Constitution, Trinity Oxford Netball Club is referred to as Trinity.

Status and Membership

Trinity is a members' club affiliated to Oxfordshire Netball, to the Netball South, and to England Netball.

Trinity membership is open to all and we do not discriminate.

Trinity operates three classes of membership:

Persons of any age who are registered to participate in the playing, coaching, and umpiring netball on behalf of Trinity: **ordinary members**. Ordinary members have full voting rights at General Meetings of Trinity. All ordinary members may stand for election to the Committee. If elected to the Committee, an ordinary member may vote at Committee Meetings.

Persons who are not registered members but who wish to contribute to netball and associated events at Trinity: **honorary members**. Honorary members must be elected by the Committee. Honorary members have no voting rights at General Meetings of Trinity. All honorary members may stand for election to the Committee. If elected to the Committee, an honorary member may vote at Committee Meetings.

A President may be elected by the Committee. The President may be from either of the classes described above or may be from outside Trinity. The President may vote at a General Meetings of Trinity or at Committee Meetings.

Objectives

The objectives of Trinity are:

To play, coach, umpire, arrange and organise netball and associated events for its members.

To work in partnership with other local providers of sport, both in accessing more opportunities and in raising the profile of netball locally.

To represent its members to other Associations or Governing Bodies.

Management

The affairs of Trinity are managed by a Management Committee and Coordinating group. The Committee are considered Officers of Trinity.

The Committee Members comprises the President/Chair, Club Manager/Secretary, Treasurer, Coaching Lead, Umpiring Lead, Seniors Lead and Juniors Lead. The Club also appoints a Senior Player Representative, Junior Representative and Parent Representative to represent members at Committee meetings.

Committee Members may hold more than one office if circumstances dictate.

The Committee Members are elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Trinity and hold office until the next AGM when their period of office is automatically terminated. Committee Members may stand for re-election if they wish.

Nomination of candidates for election to the Committee must be given in writing (stating nominee, nominator, and seconder) to the Club Secretary at least seven days prior to the date of the AGM, but the Chair may admit late nominations up to the time of voting. All candidates must consent to stand before nomination is notified to the Club Secretary.

Committee Members should attend all meetings of Trinity; Committee Members who cannot attend a Committee Meeting may nominate a representative to attend that meeting provided that the Club Secretary has been notified in writing prior to the meeting. The 'stand-in' representative may vote at the Committee Meeting.

All members are eligible for election to the Committee except: Any Committee Member absent for two consecutive Committee Meetings without notification may be requested by the Committee to resign immediately. Such a Committee Member may not stand for election at the next AGM.

Co-option of members onto the Committee to perform special duties is at the discretion of the Committee. Co-opted members may not vote at Committee Meetings.

Club Officers are unpaid.

Other positions held within Trinity comprises of a Website Coordinator, Club Safeguarding Officer, Social Media & Club Engagement Coordinator, Kit Coordinator, Fundraising Coordinator/Social Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator, Coaches and Umpires. These positions are not Officers of Trinity and as a result do not form part of the Committee. Members or non-members can be elected at any time by the Committee for any of these roles or any other roles that may be introduced to meet the needs of Trinity.

Fees

Annual Trinity fees are fixed by the Committee prior to the start of a new season. The club has a specific membership category and pricing for children and young people.

The said annual fees must be paid by each individual wishing to be affiliated to Trinity.

The timeframe for payment of said annual fees is fixed by the Committee. However, special arrangements may be organised by individuals by express agreement with the Treasurer.

Accounts

All club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the club.

The Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the club.

An audited statement of annual accounts will be independently reviewed and presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting.

Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signatures of the Treasurer plus up to two other officers.

Meetings

A General Meeting of Trinity (to be known as the Annual General Meeting) shall be held in (or close to) July each year on a date agreed by the Committee. Fourteen days clear notice must be given to all affiliated members. This will be published on Trinity's website along with a proposed agenda and nomination forms. Note: nominations and additional items for the agenda must be received by Trinity Secretary at least seven days prior to the AGM.

The business of the AGM includes: election of Committee Members; statement of the annual fees; a report from each of the Officers of the Committee; items or proposals to be put to the members by the Committee.

Any member may request a General Meeting of Trinity by writing to the Club Secretary stating the reason for the meeting. If a meeting is called, the Club Secretary will inform all affiliated members giving at least seven days' notice.

55% of the affiliated members must be represented to form a quorum at any General Meeting.

At all General Meetings of Trinity, voting is limited by the content of any proposal. A vote should be taken by one vote per individual present at the meeting.

Ordinary members have full voting rights at General Meetings of Trinity. Honorary members have no voting rights at General Meetings of Trinity.

The Committee meets at regular intervals of approximately three months during the year. Dates for Committee Meetings are agreed by the Committee Members.

The business of a Committee Meeting includes: apologies; minutes from previous meeting; matters arising; reports from Officers. Other items for discussion must be presented to the Club Secretary at least seven days before the date of the Committee Meeting. Such items should be discussed and, if necessary, a proposal formulated and a vote taken. 'High-impact' items or proposals must be presented at a General Meeting of Trinity.

Decisions made by the Committee, although open to discussion, are final.

The Chair of any meeting has a second or casting vote.

Alteration of the Rules

These Rules, or any of them, may be added to, amended, or replaced by a Resolution of a two-thirds majority of those present and voting at a General Meeting of Trinity.

Dissolution

Trinity will be dissolved upon a Resolution to that effect by a three-fourths majority of all its voting members.

Following such a Resolution, the Committee will take immediate steps to convert to money all the property of Trinity whatsoever.

Out of the proceeds of such conversion, the Committee will discharge all debts and liabilities of Trinity, including all expenses incidental to the said conversion.

All money remaining will be donated to a registered charity agreed by the Committee.

Disputes

Any dispute arising out of, or not covered by, these Rules will be referred to the Chair, whose decision is final.

League and Tournament Rules

Rules specific to the Leagues and Tournaments are issued separately and for each League and Tournament; affiliated teams and individuals are expected to respect and adhere to these said Rules.

Duty of Care Policy Statement

Trinity will:

Accept its moral and legal responsibility in relation to the Children Act 1989 and implement procedures to provide a duty of care for, and safeguard the well-being of, young people and protect them from abuse. Respect the rights, wishes and feelings of young people.

Select, train and supervise volunteers to raise awareness of the need to protect young people, provide an appropriate duty of care and promote the implementation of its policies and procedures.

Respond to any allegations appropriately and have disciplinary and appeals procedures in place to deal with incidences of poor practice.

Require coaches, umpires and volunteers to sign up to a Code of Conduct to safeguard the welfare of young people and protect themselves from false allegations.

Require its junior members to sign up to a Code of Conduct that promotes good spirit and attitude as well as awareness of personal safety.

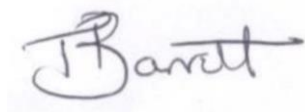
Equity Statement

Trinity is committed to providing a non-discriminatory culture for all its participants and is active in providing policies and procedures which enable equal rights, regardless of sex, parental or marital status, age, sexual orientation, disability or any other criteria not specifically related to potential skills and abilities.

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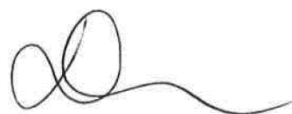
Note

These Rules supersede any previous Rules or Constitution of Trinity.



Teresa Barret, Chair/President

09/07/2021



Lisa Smith, Club Manager/Secretary

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