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1. NAME

The Club shall be The Scottish Honda Pan-European Owners Club and for operating purposes be known as Scottish Pan Riders

2. OBJECTS

2.1 To provide members, primarily in Scotland, with the opportunity of exchanging information and maintaining useful contact with other Pan European owners and owners of motorcycles used for touring.

2.2 To arrange regular recreational activities involving the use of Honda Pan European motorcycles and motorcycles used for touring and in addition thereto, to hold a regular monthly meeting of members.

2.3 To inform members of matters of interest to owners of Honda Pan European and other touring motorcycles.

2.4 To promote the good image of motorcycling in general, and that of the riders of Honda Pan European and touring motorcycles.

3. CLUB STRUCTURE

3.1 The Club shall consist of its members and be managed by an Executive Committee voted by members. There shall also be ad hoc working groups led by a member of the Executive Committee.

4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1 Membership shall be open to:

4.1.1 Anyone who owns or rides a Honda Pan European motorcycle and their partner or spouse, subject to the provisions of clause 6.5 below.

4.1.2 Anyone who owns a large touring motorcycle and their partner or spouse, subject to the provisions of clause 6.5 below.

4.1.3 Anyone who accompanies a member on pillion, subject to the provisions of clause 6.6 below.

4.1.4 Any former member who ceases to own a Honda Pan European or large touring motorcycle, and their partner or spouse, subject to the provisions of clause 6.5 below.

4.1.5 Any former member who no longer rides and their partner or spouse, subject to the provisions of clause 6.5 below,

and a member shall be entitled to:

4.1.5.1 Vote at all meetings of the Club other than Executive Committee meetings

4.1.5.2 Serve on the Executive Committee if voted on to that Committee at the AGM.

4.1.5.3 Attend all tours, excursions, ride outs, motorcycle rallies, social events and competitions for Club members.

4.1.5.4 Bring guests to any open ride outs, motorcycle rallies on their motorcycle, provided that such guests agree to abide by the rules of the Club for such events.

4.1.5.5 Organise Club tours, excursions, ride outs or motorcycle rallies, where it is agreed by the Executive Committee

4.1.5.6 Organise open ride-outs when agreed by the Executive Committee

4.1.5.7 Purchase all Club regalia and merchandise.

4.2 Honorary Membership shall be conferred by the Committee on:

4.2.1 A member who has made an 'exceptional' contribution to the club in general which reflects favourably upon the club.

4.2.2 A member who by special circumstances is determined by the Committee to receive an honorary membership

4.3 An Honorary Member shall be entitled to purchase all Club regalia and merchandise

5. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

5.1 All applications, shall be submitted on the prescribed form on-line or hard copy format

5.2 Applications for membership shall be dealt with in the following manner:

5.2.1 The application to membership shall be processed by the Membership Secretary upon receipt of fees payable.

5.2.2 Any member shall have the opportunity to raise an objection to the acceptance of an applicant to the Executive Committee at the next Executive Committee meeting. In this event the Executive Committee shall have the power to interview such objector privately.

5.2.3 The Executive Committee shall be empowered to refuse or admit any application at its sole discretion.

6. FEES FOR MEMBERSHIP

6.1 The annual subscriptions shall be fixed from time to time by members at the Annual General Meeting.

6.2 Payment of their first annual subscription shall entitle the member, upon acceptance, to receive a copy of the Club's Constitution.

6.3 Annual Subscriptions shall be due in advance on 1st March, each year. New Members will be liable for the full year's subscription in respect of applications made before 1 June, thereafter the annual subscription shall be 75% (2 June to 31 August), 50% (1 September to 31 December). Where the application form is dated during the last two months of the Club's financial year, that year's subscription or any portion of it will be waived.

6.4 Membership of the Club will be deemed to have terminated forthwith upon due date for payment of the annual subscription if the subscription has remained unpaid for a period of one month from such due date. Any person whose membership has thus lapsed may re-apply as a new member.

6.5 Where a rider as described in clause 4.1.1, clause 4.1.2, clause 4.1.4, and clause 4.1.5 has paid the appropriate fee then that members spouse or partner shall be deemed to be included in that payment and no further fee in respect of membership shall be payable by that spouse or partner, and

6.6 where a pillion rider as described in clause 4.1.3 is the pillion rider of a member who has paid the appropriate membership fee, then no further fee shall be payable by the pillion rider.

7. FINANCIAL YEAR

The Club's financial year shall run from 1 March until the last day of February in the following year.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8.1 Shall be held at least 4 times per year.

8.2 Full minutes of each meeting will be distributed to all members of all classes electronically

8.3 The Quorum for the Executive Committee Meeting shall be 3

9. GENERAL MEETINGS

9.1 Only members in good standing shall be permitted to vote at a General Meeting, and no vote may be cast by proxy.

9.2 A quorum shall consist of twenty percent of members eligible to vote and shall include at least two Executive Committee members. In the event that there is no quorum, the meeting shall be adjourned for a period of fifteen minutes, and then, failing a quorum, the meeting shall stand adjourned for a period of one week whereupon the members present at such meeting shall form a quorum.

9.3 Voting shall be by means of a show of hands

9.4 The Chairman shall not have a casting vote.

9.5 The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting within 2 months of the end of each Financial year. Business shall be conducted in the following order:

Notice convening the Meeting

Attendance

Apologies

Treasurer's Report

Motions submitted

Election of Executive Committee

9.6 The Secretary shall post written notice of the AGM or Special General Meeting to each paid-up member of the Club at least 21 days prior to such meeting. Such notices shall be addressed to each member's last known postal or email address and shall specify the business to be conducted at the meeting.

9.7 The Constitution of the Club may be amended by resolution on a two thirds majority of any General Meeting.

9.8 A special General Meeting may be called by the Executive Committee, or upon requisition of 10 of the members of the Club. Such meeting shall be convened within 1 month of such requisition and no business other than that stated in the requisition shall be conducted at the meeting.

10. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

10.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of eleven Members and members of the Executive Committee must have at least one year's standing

10.2 The Executive Committee shall comprise of the following offices:

Chairman

Secretary

Treasurer

Membership Secretary

Events Secretary

Social Secretary

Web Administrator

Four Ordinary Members

10.3 An Executive Committee member shall be elected for a one year term at each Annual General Meeting as follows:

10.3.1 Nominations will be called for and processed by the Secretary at the Club's monthly meeting at least one month immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting.

10.3.2 Executive Committee members will notify their intention either to stand for another term, subject to clause 10.6 or notify their intention to step down. If no other nominations are notified to the secretary, then a ballot will not be required and the Executive Committee Member will be deemed re-elected

10.3.3 If more than 1 nomination for a particular post has been received, voting shall be by ballot of those present at the Annual General Meeting.

10.4 The Executive Committee shall have the power to co-opt any member either on a supplementary basis or to fill a position which has been vacated.

10.5 No member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for election to the same office for more than 4 consecutive years.

10.6 The Executive Committee shall be entitled to formulate bye-laws from time to time.

10.7 The Executive Committee shall have the full power to manage all the business and other activities of the Club in the manner set out in this Constitution and shall further have power :

10.7.1 To open and operate banking, building society and other accounts.

10.7.2 To invest in such manner as they shall deem fit, such funds which are not immediately required by the Club.

10.7.3 To purchase, hire, lease or otherwise acquire any movable or immovable property.

10.7.4 To sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of any movable or immovable property.

10.7.5 To employ the funds of the Club in such a manner as is consistent with the aims and objectives thereof.

10.7.6 Collect and disseminate information on all matters affecting the objectives and, as may be determined in general meeting of the club, exchange such information with other bodies having similar objectives.

10.7.7 Procure to be written and print, publish, issue, circulate, either gratuitously or otherwise, such papers books, periodicals, pamphlets, or other documents, photographic images, films, videos, recorded tapes, compact disks, emails, internet web sites or in any other way as permitted by law as shall further the objectives of the club.

10.7.8 Raise funds and invite and receive contributions from any person or persons whatsoever by way of subscriptions and otherwise, provided that they are for the Club's primary objectives.

10.7.9 Receive money on deposit or loan, or borrow or raise money in such manner as the club shall see fit, subject to such consents as may be required by law.

10.7.10 Affiliate the club to the British Motorcycle Federation or other suitable motorcycle organisation.

10.7.11 Effect insurance cover against all relevant liabilities.

10.7.12 Do all such other lawful things as are necessary for the attainment of the objectives and as may be determined in general meeting of the club.

10.8 Any legal action shall be initiated or defended by the Club in its own name, and the Chairman, as advised by the Executive Committee, shall have the power to represent the Club in all such proceedings.

10.9 Two signatories to all accounts opened in the name of the Club shall be required. At least one of the signatories shall be either the Chairman or the Treasurer of the Club.

11. LIABILITIES

11.1 The liability of members shall be limited to the amount of subscription due by such members in terms of this Constitution and unpaid; beyond this no member shall be personally liable for the debts of the Club.

11.2 The Club shall in no circumstances whatsoever be held liable for any loss or damage to property of any member or guest whether occasioned by negligence, theft or otherwise, neither shall the Club be liable for personal injury or harm suffered by any member or guest.

11.3 Any member introducing a guest shall be responsible for the conduct of such guest.

11.4 The Club reserves the right to suspend or cancel the membership of any member who is considered, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, to have acted contrary to the interest and aims of the Club.

12. DISSOLUTION

12.1 The dissolution of the Club may only be effected by resolution passed at a Special General Meeting. Such resolution shall require a three quarter majority vote of members present and eligible to vote at such meeting.

12.2 Upon dissolution of the Club, its remaining assets shall be donated, after all liabilities have been discharged, to one or more charitable institution serving the interests of motorcyclists.

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