

# MB Swindon Club Constitution

1. This Club shall be known as 'MB Swindon' and will be affiliated to the Cycling Touring Club (CTC).
2. The aim of the Club shall be to promote mountain biking, training and fitness to members and to provide a body under which the Croft MTB Trail, and other such facilities as and when they become available to the Club, can be promoted and managed.
3. The management of the Club shall be an annually elected Committee.
4. The Committee shall consist of six members, comprising of a Chairman, Treasurer, Club/Membership Secretary, and three members without portfolio.
5. Monies held by the Club shall be deposited in an interest bearing account in the Club's name.
6. Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signatures of The Treasurer plus one other Club Officer.
7. The name and addresses and other relevant details of members shall be held confidentially by the Club, and may be stored by electronic means.
8. Member's renewal is due on the yearly anniversary of joining. A reminder will be sent one month before that date, and any member not paying his/her subscription within that month shall be deemed to have resigned. They will forfeit all rights and privileges accruing from membership of said Club.
9. The Committee shall meet no less frequently than quarterly to transact the Club's business. Five persons, including at least one Club Official, shall form a quorum. Any member of the Committee absent from three consecutive meetings, without affording reasonable explanation, and obtaining leave of absence, shall be deemed to have resigned, and the Committee shall fill the vacancy.
10. Every individual wishing to become a member shall complete an application form and submit this with the annual fee. The annual subscription fee shall be set at the AGM.
11. Members shall be liable to expulsion for unseemly conduct. The Committee reserves the right to strike a members name off the Clubs books.
12. No member shall be allowed to take part in Club events or rides in the Clubs name unless he/she is clear in the books of the Club. Prospective new members are very welcome on club rides but will have to sign a disclaimer before riding.
13. The Clubs financial year shall commence on the 1st January and end on the 31st December of that year. The treasurer shall prepare the balance sheet and subsidiary accounts at the end of each financial year . The Chairman and the Secretary will audit the accounts. The Clubs books and accounts shall be open to inspection by any member upon request.
14. The Annual General Meeting shall be in the month of February and at least seven days notice of such meetings shall be sent to members. Items for the agenda of any General Meeting shall reach the Secretary at least fourteen days before the relative meeting.
15. A special General Meeting may be called by the committee or alternatively by the Secretary upon the receipt of a request signed by seven members, subject to at least seven days notice. An Agenda for the Special General Meeting shall be sent to all members at the same time.
16. No alteration or addition to these rules shall be made except with the consent of at least two-thirds of the members present at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting. Notice of any changes is to be circulated to the members seven days before any meeting, together with a copy of the Agenda or a copy of the relative alteration or addition.
17. Any matter not provided in these rules shall be dealt with by the Committee, whose decision shall be binding on all parties.
18. Members should be self-sufficient and carry the basic essential equipment when riding (tools, pump, spare tubes etc).
19. Members and guests participate in all events and rides at their own risk without liability to the club, its officials or ride co-coordinators, for loss, damage, injury or accident however caused.
20. In the event that the club ceases to exist or is wound down then all assets owned by the club will be donated to the local schools or community.
21. Members must be over 18 years of age