



Hornsby Junior Rugby Union Club



Participation, Fun, Family & Friendship

CONSTITUTION OF THE HORNSBY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION CLUB (HJRU) – Est. January 2014

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1. Name

The name of the Club shall be the 'Hornsby Junior Rugby Union Club', hereinafter referred to as the 'HJRU'.

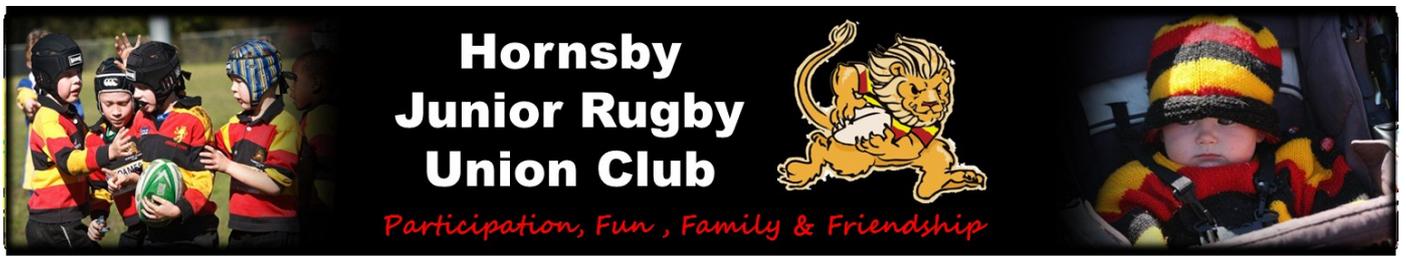
2. Colours

The colours of the HJRU shall be gold, red & black.

3. Objects

The objects of the HJRU shall be:

- To foster the game of rugby in the Hornsby Shire, focusing on development of rugby at the junior age levels.
- PARTICIPATION and FUN are the cornerstones of the Club Philosophy. Our aspiration as a club is to provide every child equal playing time throughout the season.



- In order for the Club to fulfil its goals, it is essential that we provide a family oriented environment where mothers, brothers, sisters, grandparents and any other family member or friend are genuinely welcomed.

4. Membership and Management

In consideration of the Australian Rugby Union Limited ("ARU") agreeing to accept and register the applicant as a participant, the applicant (or if the applicant is under 18 years of age, that applicant's parent or legal guardian on behalf of the participant) undertake to be bound by the IRB Laws of the Game and Regulations (www.irb.com) and the ARU Code of Conduct By-Law and Policies (including ARU Anti-Doping Code and Member Protection Policy). These policies and documents are publically available for review on the web at <http://www.rugby.com.au/policies>.

Membership to the HJRUC shall be open to all persons of a suitable age subscribing to the objects of the HJRUC and paying the prescribed subscription. Membership is for the single season in which the subscription has been paid, and does not entitle any rights or obligations on the HJRUC to accept membership for future seasons.

No restrictions shall be imposed on any person by virtue of religious or political beliefs, sex or race; however the Committee shall have the right to refuse membership to any person without assigning any reason therefore. A member may resign from the HJRUC by notifying the Secretary in writing of the intention so to do and upon such resignation being accepted by the Committee, he or she shall cease to be a member of the HJRUC.

At any Annual General Meeting of the HJRUC, a Life Member or Members on the nomination of the Committee, can be elected, such election to be on account of some special service or services rendered to the HJRUC. A Life Member shall be entitled to attend and vote at all general meetings of the HJRUC and shall have other such privileges as may be decided upon from time to time by the Committee.

At the Annual General Meeting of the HJRUC a committee comprising the following shall be elected: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and other roles as required to successfully run the HJRUC as defined by the previous committee.

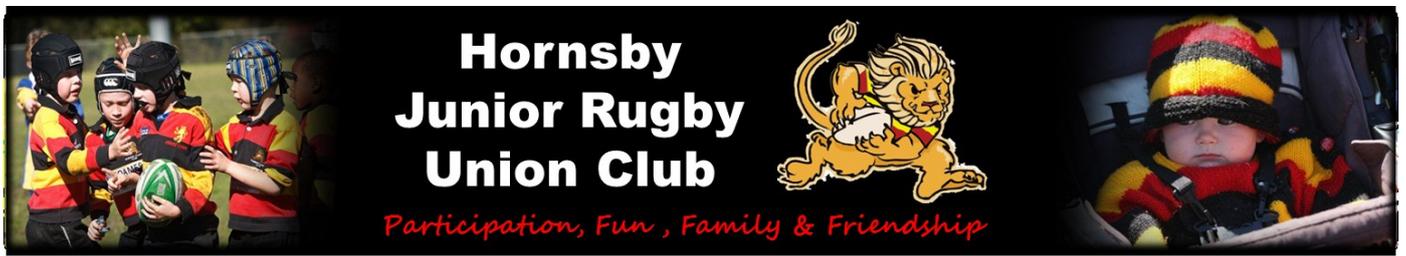
The Committee shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting to that at which it was elected. Each member of the Committee shall be eligible for re-election.

The position of any Committee member absent for three consecutive meetings without leave of absence shall automatically become vacant. Acceptance of an apology shall be deemed grant of such leave.

The immediate Past President shall ex officio be a member of the Committee.

The Committee shall be responsible to the HJRUC.

The HJRUC or Committee may appoint subcommittees. The Chairperson of the Committee (who shall be elected by the Committee at the first Committee meeting) shall ex officio be a member of all such subcommittees.



5. Meetings

The Annual General Meeting shall be held in October or November each year. At least fourteen (14) days' notice shall be given before the meeting. Notice will be provided via email (or whatever form of communication that the club is using throughout the season) using the details provided to the HJRUC. Accidental omission to give notice shall not invalidate the meeting.

The notice must state the time, date and place of the meeting.

The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- to receive the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts
- to elect a Committee for the ensuing year
- to consider motions of which due notice has been given or which any member, with the permission of the meeting, may introduce
- to dispose of any other matter which may be, consistent with the constitution, introduced at such a meeting.

At the Annual General Meeting the President, if present, shall chair the meeting. If the President is absent at the time the meeting is due to start, the members shall elect a person to chair the meeting from those members present.

Nominations for office bearers may be made at the Annual General Meeting.

Any elections required shall be by show of hands. Any equality in voting shall be resolved in favour of the retiring candidate (if any) or otherwise by lot.

Each member personally present at any meeting shall have one vote and, in the event of an equality of voting on any matter, the Chairperson of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote, as well as the first or deliberative vote.

In general, there will be one committee meeting per month with the frequency & location determined by the Committee and the needs of the HJRUC. The quorum for Committee meetings shall be one-third of the Committee.

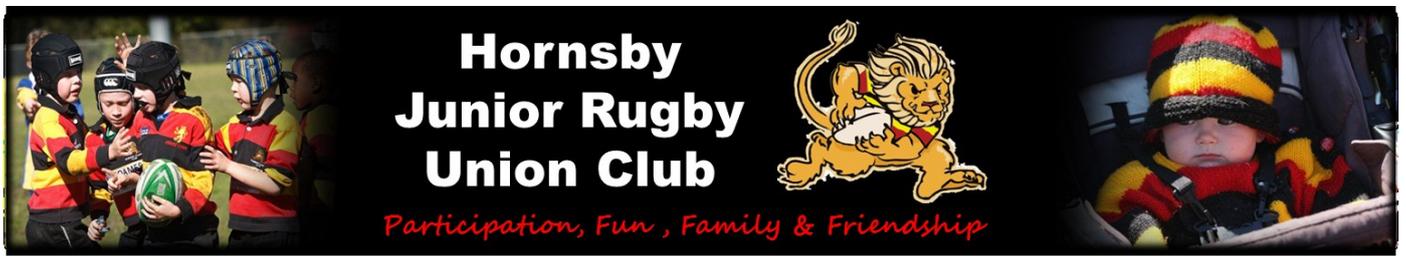
6. Subscriptions (Membership Fees)

The subscriptions shall be set by the Committee after the date of the Annual General Meeting and prior to the registration opening in January or February of each year.

Subscriptions need to be paid in full as part of registration period preceding the official season. Please note as a large component of the registration fee accounts for insurance, players WILL NOT be able to play in the competition games until payment has been made. Differential subscriptions may be levied at the discretion of the Committee.

7. Finance

The financial year of the HJRUC shall end on the thirty first of October (31 October) each year, and the accounts shall be reviewed by the Committee and shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting.



The Committee shall be empowered to invest the funds and property of the HJRUC upon such securities as the Committee shall from time to time think fit.

The Committee, on behalf of the HJRUC and subject to the approval of a General Meeting or Special General Meeting of members, shall be empowered to borrow upon the security of the HJRUC's real and personal property such monies as may from time to time be required for carrying on the activities of the HJRUC or for providing additional facilities and benefits for the members or for any other purpose connected with the objects of the HJRUC and may authorise the execution of any and all such mortgages, pledges, or securities as may be necessary to secure the repayment of such monies.

8. Dissolution

The HJRUC shall be dissolved if:

- i. a resolution to this effect is carried by a General Meeting, fourteen (14) days of notice of the proposed resolution having been given
- ii. financial membership drops to ten or less members.

If upon the dissolution of the HJRUC there remains, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property or funds whatsoever, the same shall not be distributed or paid among the members of the HJRUC but shall be transferred or given to some other HJRUC or institution having objects similar to those of the HJRUC, to be determined by members of the HJRUC at or before the time of dissolution, and in default thereof as may be directed upon application to the Supreme Court of Australia in that behalf.

9. Amendments

The constitution may be amended by a three-fifths majority at a General Meeting provided seven (7) days notice of the proposed amendment has been given to all members.

10. Interpretation

Any doubt arising as to the application or meaning of any clause shall be decided by the Committee whose decision will remain until altered by a vote of a General Meeting, whose decision shall then be final and conclusive.

If any case occurs which, in the opinion of the Committee, is not provided for in this constitution, it shall be determined by the Committee in such manner as deemed expedient.

11. Suspension and Expulsion

Any member may be expelled or suspended from membership at the discretion of the Committee, provided that such a member shall have the right of appeal to a General Meeting. Voting on this issue shall be by secret ballot both in the Committee and in the General Meeting.

12. Copies of Constitution

A copy of the constitution will be kept current and updated and available to all present and prospective members. This will be available on the HJRUC public website at <http://www.hornsbyjuniorrugby.com.au>