

West Yorkshire Welsh Pony & Cob Association

(WYWPCA)

Constitution

The name of the Association shall be the "West Yorkshire Welsh Pony And Cob Association". (The Association, WYWP&CA)

The WYWP&CA shall follow the rules and constitution of the Welsh Pony And Cob Society. (THE SOCIETY)

The object of the Association shall be to promote the breeding and exhibition of Registered Welsh Ponies And Cob, and their Registered Part- Breds.

The management of the Association shall be vested in a Committee consisting of five officers, namely a President, Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary and not more than ten other members, **four** of whom shall retire after **three years** but shall be eligible for re-election.

The Treasurer shall serve for a period of **three years**, and may seek re-election.

The Secretary shall serve for a period of **three years**, and may seek re-election.

For the Committee to be **quorate eight (8) members** shall be present.

The Association's financial year shall end on 31st December and the AGM shall normally be held in the last week of February.

The business of the AGM shall be to receive the report of the Committee, to receive the statement of accounts for the preceding year, to elect the Honorary Auditor for the ensuing year and to transact any other business of which due and proper notice has been given.

Only members making a subscription in accordance with the rules and whose subscriptions are not in arrears shall be eligible to attend, vote and nominate any person or be nominated at an Annual General Meeting (AGM) or Special General Meeting (SGM).

At all AGM and SGM the President, and in their absence the Chairperson, shall take the chair.

The Committee may at any time for any special purpose and upon giving due and proper notice thereof in writing shall call a SGM.

The Secretary shall call a SGM upon the written request of fifteen (15) or more members stating the purpose for which the meeting is required. At a SGM no other business shall be transacted except that appearing on the notice conveying the meeting.

Any individual member desirous of moving a resolution at the AGM shall give notice thereof in writing to the Secretary before 1st February. Notice of the Resolution shall be given in the Notice convening the AGM.

The Committee

Each member for election to the Committee shall be proposed by one and seconded by another paid up member of the Association.

A person shall only be eligible for nomination to the office of President, or Chairperson, after a period of **five (5) years continuous** membership of this Association.

The Committee shall have the power to co-opt for the remainder of the year additional members as necessary and to fill any vacancy in their numbers which may arise during the course of the year.

The Committee shall have power to deal with all funds of the Association for the benefit of the Association as a whole and to take any action they consider necessary to carry out the affairs of the Association.

Should a Committee member miss three (3) meetings without sending apologies then that person shall resign from the Committee.

The Committee shall have power to act in any situation not provided for in these rules.

Misconduct Of Members

The Committee shall have power to expel any member who shall offend against the rules of the Association or whose conduct shall in the opinion of the Committee render them unfit for membership. **Before any such member is expelled** the Secretary shall give seven (7) days written notice to that individual to attend a meeting of the Committee and shall inform them of the complaints made against them. No member shall be expelled without first having the opportunity of appearing before the Committee and answering the complaints made against them. Failure to attend will be deemed that the person accepts the decision of the Committee.