

# **GUERNSEY BADMINTON ASSOCIATION**

## **CONSTITUTION OF THE GUERNSEY BADMINTON ASSOCIATION**

### **MEMORANDUM**

The Guernsey Badminton Club and the Guernsey Badminton League by resolution adopted at an extraordinary meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce Room, High Street, Guernsey on 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 1949, hereby resolve that the two bodies as from this date be united and shall henceforth be called “The Guernsey Badminton Association” – hereinafter described as the G.B.A.

The G.B.A. shall be the body recognised to govern badminton in the Island of Guernsey.

### **The Objets of the G.B.A.**

- a) To foster badminton in the Island of Guernsey.
- b) To promote competitions, matches, etc. between Guernsey, the other Channel Islands and the United Kingdom.
- c) To maintain, insofar as lies within its power, league and other competitions embracing teams and individual players supplied by any affiliated clubs within the Island of Guernsey.
- d) To encourage inter-insular competitions and league matches as desirable.

### **General Rules**

1. The management of the G.B.A. shall be vested in a Committee, called the Governing Committee, consisting of a President, one Vice-President, one Chairperson, one Honorary Secretary, one Honorary Treasurer and eight members of Committee, including not less than three ladies and not less than three gentlemen, all of whom shall retire annually, but will be eligible for re-election. Seven members, including officers, shall form a quorum. Auditors will be elected at the Annual General Meeting as well as a separate Selection Committee for each of the Island representative matches, (excluding the county matches). Each selection committee will have either 3 or preferably 5 members, including a Chairman, the Chairman being elected by each Selection Committee. The Selection Committees will have the power to co-opt when necessary. Separate arrangements will be made for the county matches at the discretion of the Governing Committee. No member will be elected to office in any capacity unless he or she has signified his or her willingness to serve.
2. The Governing Committee shall have complete control over all the activities of the G.B.A., and shall appoint such sub-committees as it deems advisable to carry on competitions, leagues, matches, etc.; such sub-committees shall be under the jurisdiction of the Governing Committee and shall conform to any requirements of the said Committee.

3. The league competitions shall be controlled by a Sub-Committee of members of the G.B.A., appointed by the Governing Committee. The Sub-Committee will consist of 3 members nominated by the Governing Committee, the League Secretary, to be appointed at the A.G.M. and Chaired by the President or Vice-President of the G.B.A. The Sub-Committee will be responsible for putting forward any proposals, in accordance with the League rules, to meetings to be held when necessary to promote league competition. The Sub-Committee may delegate the fixing of match dates to the League Secretary but is responsible for arranging appropriate meetings, with a maximum of 2 delegates from each participating club, to ensure the smooth running of the Leagues. The Sub-Committee will also be responsible for resolving any disputes referred to them by the League Secretary or Clubs with ultimate reference to the Governing Committee.
4. All clubs participating in league or other competitions promoted and controlled by the G.B.A. shall be required to affiliate to that body, as well as the Badminton Association of England Limited, for which an annual subscription shall be levied by both Associations.
5. The Annual General Meeting shall be held not more than 8 weeks after the close of the season each year and shall be open to all members of affiliated clubs, but only the Governing Committee and three delegates from each club shall have a vote.
6. Any proposal for the addition of a new General Rule or the alteration of any existing General Rule or Rules of the G.B.A. must be made in writing, duly seconded, to the Honorary Secretary before the last day of February in each year. The Secretaries of all affiliated clubs shall be made aware of any such proposed alteration before the last day of March. This restriction of date shall not apply to proposals put forward by the Governing Committee.
7. An extraordinary general meeting shall be called at the request of the Governing Committee or on the written application of at least 25 members of the G.B.A.
8. The G.B.A. being a member of the Badminton Association of England Limited shall conform to the rules and regulations of that body.
9. If, upon the winding up or dissolution of the G.B.A., there remains after the satisfaction of all its debt and liabilities, any property or assets whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to, or distributed among, the members of the G.B.A., but shall be given or transferred to some other body or bodies, institution or institutions, having objects similar, wholly or partially, to the objects of the G.B.A., such body or bodies, institution or institutions, to be determined by the members of the G.B.A. at or before the time of dissolution and in so far as effect cannot be given to the aforesaid provision, then to some charitable object.