

Bridge Park Tennis Club Incorporated P O Box 59-014, Mangere Bridge 7 Taylor Road, Mangere Bridge

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# **Bridge Park Tennis Club Incorporated**

These rules repeal any previous rules.

# 1. Name:

The name of the Club shall be "Bridge Park Tennis Club Incorporated".

# 2. Object:

The object of the club shall be to provide facilities for its members for the playing of tennis and generally to foster the game.

# 3. Colours:

The colours of the Bridge Park Tennis Club are Blue, Green, Yellow and White

# 4. Annual Meeting:

The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of August. Not less than fourteen days' notice of this meeting shall be given to members. This shall be given by notice in writing to members. At this meeting the officers and committee shall be elected and the Treasurer shall present the balance sheet and furnish a report of the Club's financial workings for the past year. The Secretary's/President's report for the past year shall also be given including the Junior Convenor and the Club Captain.

5. Officers of the Club:

The officers of the Club shall consist of the Patron, Vice-Patrons (as many as may be deemed desirable), President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Club Captain and Junior Convenor.

### 6. Management

The club shall be managed by the committee comprising of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Club Captain, Junior Convenor and a minimum of three other committee members. All nominees for the committee must be financial members of the club.

### 7. Candidates for Membership

- (a) A candidate will be accepted as a member upon completion of a membership form and provided that the Annual Subscription is paid in accordance with these rules. A member having valid reason for a candidate not to be accepted must submit this to the Secretary in writing within 14 days of completion of the membership form by the candidate. The candidates' membership shall then be discussed by the committee at its next meeting. New Members name to be posted on the club board for 14 days.
- (b) Preference shall be given to financial playing members of the Bridge Park Tennis Club Association.
- (c) Intending members shall in the discretion of the Committee be allowed all playing privileges for one week before becoming candidates for membership.
- (d) Applicants must be prepared to play for the Club when called upon. Recommendation: That members failing to comply with this Rule without a legitimate excuse acceptable to Committee forfeit right to enter in all club tournaments.

# 8. Limit of Membership:

The membership to be left in the hands of the committee

#### 9. Honorary Members:

Ladies and Gentlemen may be elected honorary or non-playing members, upon receipt of a donation. Such members shall have no voice in the management of the Club.

10. Subscriptions:

The subscriptions for playing members shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and payable by a date set at A.G.M and in the case of a new member, one month from the date of completion of their membership form.

11. Penalty for non-payment of dues:

The Committee shall have power to strike off the roll of the Club any member whose subscription has not been paid within one month after due date. Before doing so, however, the Secretary shall give notice to any such member and seven days' grace must be allowed. The Committee shall have power in their discretion to refuse playing privileges to any non-financial members of the club.

### 12. Resignation:

(a) "Failure to renew membership from the preceding season by the completion of a membership form by 30<sup>th</sup> September shall be accepted as notice of resignation. Written of resignation can also be given".

(b) Resignation of Committee Members shall be given to the Secretary in writing.

(c) In all cases of resignation the resigner shall be liable for any outstanding dues.

#### 13. Misconduct:

Committee shall have power to suspend, and after due consideration, to strike off the roll of membership, any member in the opinion of the committee guilty of misconduct.

- 14 In the exercise of any of the powers inferred by Rule 13 the committee shall cause notice to be given to the member whose conduct is specifying the charge which is made against him or her and giving particulars of the time and place at which an enquiry into such charges shall be held. Such notice shall also advise such member that he or she is entitled to be present and be heard at such enquiry. The members of officer laying such complaint shall also be entitled to receive notice of the time and place of such enquiry and to be heard thereon.
- 15 No decision or order made under Rule 13 shall be effective until seven clear days after such decision has been communicated to the member concerned and during such seven days such member shall have the right to lodge with Secretary notice of appeal to a general meeting. In

the event of the lodging of such notice the President or the Secretary shall forthwith cause a meeting of the Club to be called to hear the appeal. The member concerned shall be entitled to notice of such meeting and to be heard at the same. In the event of the lodgment of an appeal the decision appealed from shall not become effective until confirmed or varied by the meeting. In the event of no notice of appeal being lodged the decision of the Management Committee shall become effective at the expiration of such seven clear days.

16 Any member who is expelled from the Club shall forfeit all right to or claim upon any of the funds or property of the Club and any person so expelled shall not thereafter be eligible for membership of the Club.

#### 17 VISITORS:

Playing members of the Club may introduce visitors to play with the Club at the discretion of the Management Committee. First time visitors are free but thereafter the club rule of \$5 per hour or per half hour if there are a number of people waiting.

#### 18 RULES AND BY-LAWS:

The Committee may from time to time make, alter or rescind By-laws for the governance of the Club, provided they are not repugnant to the Rules.

#### 19 DECISION OF COMMITTEE:

The decision of the Committee on all matters connected with its jurisdiction or referred to it shall be final.

#### 20 NON-ATTENDANCE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER:

Any Committee member failing to attend three consecutive meetings shall ipso facto cease to be a member thereof, unless he shall justify his absence to the satisfaction of the Committee at its next meeting.

#### 21 VACANCY IN COMMITTEE:

In the event of a vacancy occurring in the Committee or Officers of the Club, the Committee shall have power to elect a member to fill such vacancy until the next annual election.

### 22 HONORARY SECRETARY:

The Honorary Secretary shall attend each meeting of the Club, keeping minutes of the proceedings, shall read and file all communications relating to the Club's affairs, issue notices of meeting when directed and conduct correspondence.

### 23 HONORARY TREASURER:

The Treasurer shall collect and duly account for all subscriptions, dues, fines and funds, and disburse all moneys of the Club under authority of the Committee. Moneys deposited in the Club's bank account shall not be withdrawn except by authority of the Committee signed off by any two of the following, the Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Honorary President and a committee member.

### 24 SPECIAL OR GENERAL MEETING:

A Special or General Meeting of members shall be called by the Secretary within seven days after receiving a requisition signed by three members of the Committee or ten ordinary members. Such notice of meetings shall be given in manner provided by Rule 4 hereof.

# 25 QUORUMS:

At Annual Meetings, 15 members shall form a quorum, at General or Special meetings 15, and at Committee Meetings 5.

# 26 OBSERVANCE OF RULES:

All members and others entitled to the use of the Club's Courts or to play thereon shall be bound by the Club's Rules, Regulations and By-laws. Club Rules are to be posted on the board for all members to read.

# 27 ALTERATION OF RULES:

No alterations or additions to or suspension or rescission of the rules shall be made except at an Annual or a Special or General Meeting. A member wishing to propose any alteration, addition, suspension or rescission in the rules shall give written notice of such intention to the Secretary who shall notify in writing in accordance with Rule 24 intention to propose such alteration, addition, suspension or rescission at least fourteen days prior to such meeting, and such notice must be carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

#### 28 VOTING AT MEETING:

Any question submitted to any meeting of the Club shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands, but a poll may be demanded by any member present. In the event of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to deliberate vote. Only financial members may vote at meeting.

#### 29 COMMON SEAL:

The seal shall be in the custody of the Secretary who shall affix it to such documents as the Committee shall from time to time direct, and only in the presence of two members of the Committee, who shall sign the document.

#### 30 BORROWING POWERS:

The Club shall have power to borrow money from any Bank or from any other body or person whether by ordinary or secured loan or by overdraft or in the form of debentures, at such rate of interest or on such terms and conditions generally as the Committee shall think fit, and to give security over any real or personal property now or hereafter belonging to the Club for the payment of such moneys and interest in such form as the Committee shall think fit.

#### 31 LIFE MEMBERSHIP:

At any Annual Meeting Life Members may be elected, the election to be on account of outstanding services rendered to the Club over a period of fifteen (15) years. Each nominee shall be proposed and seconded by members of the Club, and such nomination shall be in the hands of the Club Secretary at least twenty eight (28) days before the Annual Meeting. Fourteen (14) clear days' notice shall be given by the Club Secretary to the Club members. The election shall be by ballot at which the proposed Life Member must recieve75per cent of the votes cast. Life Members (being classed as financial members) shall have full playing rights. "A life member may be elected to the committee in which as they will have full voting powers".

# 32 DISPOSITION OF FUNDS AND PROPERTY OF THE CLUB:

Should the Club be wound up pursuant to sections 24, 25 or 26 of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908, and then all surplus assets shall be transferred to a nominated Sports Club.

President:

Secretary:

Treasurer: