

CONSTITUTION



JUNIOR LEADERS' REGIMENT ROYAL ARMoured CORPS OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

1st March 2009

Revision 1 dated 1st March 2011



THE CONSTITUTION

1. ASSOCIATION TITLE.

1.1 The Association shall be called The Junior Leaders' Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps, Old Boys' Association.

2. OBJECTS.

2.1 To bring together in true comradeship and friendship, those who have served in the Boys' Squadron and Junior Leaders' Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps.

2.2 To hold an Association Annual General Meeting (AGM) in conjunction with a Reunion weekend.

3. MEMBERSHIP.

3.1 FULL MEMBERSHIP of the Association is open to all who enlisted as a boy soldier or bandsman before attaining the age of 17½ and have served in the Boys' Squadron or Junior Leaders' Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps.

3.2 Membership of the Association is also open to all who have served as servicemen/women at the Boys' Squadron and Junior Leaders' Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps as Permanent Staff.

3.3 Membership of the Association is also open to all who have served as civilian instructors at the Boys' Squadron and Junior Leaders' Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps as Permanent Staff.

3.4 ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP is open to spouses and partners of Full Members. Widows, whose late husband / partner fitted the criteria for Full Membership can also apply for Associated membership. Spouses/partners and widows are exempt from paying the Annual Subscription.

3.5 HONORARY MEMBERSHIP shall be proposed by a Full Member for any person not otherwise qualified to apply for Full or Associate Membership. This will be in recognition of special service and support given to the Association. Proposals for Honorary Membership should be sent to the Secretary for consideration by the Council. Honorary Members are not required to pay subscriptions.

Revision 1 – Paragraph 3.4 amended 1st March 2011.

3.6 A Database shall be kept of Members. The security of this database is the responsibility of the Secretary. Every member is to be asked to inform the Secretary of change to their address or telephone number. If members do not want their details circulated to other members they should advise the Secretary in writing.

3.7 All persons applying for membership should fully complete the Association's Application form and forward it with the required joining fee and subscription to the Treasurer. If there is any doubt as to the authenticity of the details contained on the Application Form the Secretary shall request the applicant to provide all necessary evidence to qualify entitlement to membership of the Association.

3.8 A Member of the Association may resign at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary. If a member fails to pay their Annual Subscription within 3 months of the 1st March they shall be deemed by their conduct to have resigned.

3.9 If a member fails to comply with any part of this Constitution or shows conduct prejudicial or injurious to the interests of the Association then 3 Executive Officers shall consider whether or not that membership should be terminated.

3.10 The Subscription shall be charged to each Full Member and Associated Member on joining the Association and on the 1st March thereafter. The responsibility for collecting these Subscriptions shall be the Treasurers assisted by the Secretary. The Secretary may write to members who have not paid their Subscription by the 1st May. The Associations Annual subscription shall be determined by the yearly running costs of the Association and decided at the A.G.M.

3.11 Members of the previous Association will be exempt any joining fee. Members of the previous Association who subscribed to a 'life membership' will be exempt annual subscriptions. Evidence will be required of membership of the previous Association.

4. OFFICERS.

4.1 The Officers of the Association shall be as follows:

President *

Vice President *

Chairman *

Vice Chairman *

Secretary * * (means) Executive Officers

Treasurer *

Recruiting and Publicity Officer *

Other Honorary posts may be created such as, Memorabilia Sales Manager, Newsletter Editor, Golf Officer and Webmaster. Such posts shall not carry any Executive powers.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

5.1 All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association by the Full members of the Association who attend the A.G.M

5.2 All Officers are elected for the period of one year, and may be re-elected to the same Office or another Office the following year.

5.3 The duties of the Executive Officers are:

5.3.1 To control the affairs of the Association on behalf of the members.

5.3.2 To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the Association through the Treasurer. All funds belonging to the Association shall be kept in the name of the Association in a Bank Current Account. All cheques and withdrawal slips on that account shall be signed by 2 of the following Officers - Chairman; Vice Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. The Accounts should be available for reasonable inspection by Association Members and should be audited prior to every AGM.

5.3.3 To co-opt additional members to the Council as necessary.

5.3.4 To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote.

6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

6.1 The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Association shall be held during the Annual Reunion weekend. Members will receive the date of the AGM in the Newsletter circulated in January/February each year. Members must advise the Secretary in writing of any business to be moved at the AGM at least 14 days before the meeting. The Secretary shall give notice of the agenda at a meeting at the Reunion weekend.

6.3 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

Commemoration.

"Let us remember with thanksgiving and honour before God and man, all Ranks of the Boys' Squadron and Junior Leaders' Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps, who have died giving their lives in the Service of their Sovereign and their Country".

"We will remember them"

Apologise for Absence

Confirm the minutes of the previous AGM

Matters arising.

Receive the Annual Report of the Secretary.

Receive the Treasurers Report.

Receive the Chairman's Report

Election of Officers for the forthcoming year.

Business received in writing by the Secretary from Members 14 days prior to the meeting and included on the Agenda.

Any Other Business.

Dates of the next Reunion.

6.4 Nomination of candidates for election of Officers shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days in advance of the AGM. Nominations can only be made by Full members and must be seconded by another Full member. In the absence of nominations prior to the AGM nominations may be taken from the floor. All nominations must have the knowledge and consent of the nominee.

6.5 Decisions made at the AGM shall be by a simple majority of votes from those Full members attending the meeting. In the event of equal votes, the Chairman shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

7. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

7.1 Any proposed alterations to the Association Constitution may only be considered at the AGM. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a Full member of the Association and seconded by another Full member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than 2/3 of those Full members present at the meeting.

8. DISSOLUTION

8.1 If at any AGM of the Association, a resolution is passed calling for the dissolution of the Association, the Secretary and Treasurer shall proceed to realise the assets of the Association and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Association.

8.2 After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Association the remaining Assets will be donated to the Army Benevolent Fund.

Signed:

Chairman: (S. A. Burman)
1st March 2011

Secretary: (B. G. Armstrong)