

**East Devon Radio Control Club**  
**CONSTITUTION**

**(Issue 3/05)**

1. The name of the club shall be East Devon Radio Control Club.
2. The object of the club shall be to promote the hobby and sport of all forms of radio control modelling.
3. The operation of the club shall be governed by the requirements of this Constitution supplemented by written rules and policies, all of which shall be made available to every member.
4. The officers of the club shall be Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as a General meeting may from time to time decide. Officers may be elected at any club meeting and shall serve for a term ending at the following Annual General Meeting.
5. Collectively the officers shall constitute the Committee, which shall be responsible for, and have the authority to administer all club business. The Committee shall have the authority to coopt additional members for specific purposes, and to elect Honorary Members of the club in recognition of outstanding service to the club.
6. The membership of the club shall be open to all persons interested in radio control modelling, providing that they are prepared to comply with the rules and policies of the club, and that their application for membership is approved by the Committee. All members are entitled to vote.
7. The Committee shall convene General meetings as follows.
  - (a) An Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held on the last Wednesday in November each year, or as soon thereafter as is possible. The AGM date, agenda and all resolutions for discussion shall be notified to members no later than 28 days before the date of the meeting. Any additional resolutions or other items for inclusion in the agenda shall be submitted to the Secretary in writing no later than 6 weeks prior to the date of the AGM.
  - (b) An Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) shall be held if the Committee so decides, or if an application carrying the signatures of at least 10 members, and containing an agenda is made to the Secretary. In either event the meeting shall be held within 28 days of the decision or committee meeting following the application, and the date and agenda shall be notified to members no later than 14 days before the date of the meeting. An EGM shall discuss only the items on the notified agenda.
8. The officers of the Committee shall meet as frequently as is necessary to conduct the business of club administration. A quorum of 5 is necessary to conduct committee business at any single occasion. All club meetings shall be minuted. All minutes shall be read and a resolution proposed to approve them as a true and accurate record of club business. This shall be done before the business of the next relevant meeting is conducted.
9. All resolutions, including those proposing election of Officers, shall be proposed and seconded by two members. The prior consent of nominees shall be obtained. Voting on resolutions considered at all club meetings shall be by a show of hands unless specified otherwise in this Constitution. Except where specified otherwise in this Constitution, approval by a total of more than one half of the votes cast on a resolution shall be necessary for the resolution to succeed.
10. In the event of the introduction of, or amendments to statute law that directly affect this Constitution or the club Policies or Rules, then an appropriate amendment, or new clause, policy or rule shall be introduced by the Committee, and shall take immediate effect.

Any other additions and amendments to this Constitution shall be implemented only after discussion and approval by a total of more than two thirds of the votes cast at a General meeting.

Any other additions and amendments to the club Rules shall be decided by discussion and vote at a club meeting.

Any other additions and amendments to club Policies shall be made at the discretion of the committee or at a club meeting should the need arise.
11. The club's financial year shall end on 31st October. An audited balance sheet and accounts for the preceding financial year shall be submitted for approval at the AGM. An Auditor shall be appointed at the AGM. All money belonging to the club and not invested shall be paid by the Treasurer into a separate account in the name of the club at a bank named by the committee.
12. Membership fees for the following year shall be due annually at the date of the AGM. The Committee shall propose a motion at the AGM setting the membership fees for the following year.
13. A resolution to wind up the affairs of the club shall only be decided at a General meeting. The resolution shall fail unless approved by more than three quarters of the votes cast by those present and received by post. In the event that such a resolution is carried, so much of the assets of the club shall be realised as may be required to discharge all liabilities, and any remaining assets shall be disposed of as decided by a vote of more than half of those present at the winding up meeting.
14. All members shall uphold the good name of the club, and act in accordance with the Constitution and Rules at all times whilst participating in any form of the hobby or sport, especially in the presence of the public.
15. If a member has engaged in conduct considered by the Committee to be contrary to the Constitution or Rules of the club the Committee may decide to discipline the member, or in extreme cases, dismiss the member from the club.