



1 Name

The club will be called Dark Star – The Mike Oldfield Magazine. The Headquarters and address of the Club for correspondence shall be that of the Chairman.

2 Aims and objectives

The aims and objectives of the club will be:

- To provide up to date news and information free of charge via a website and email newsletter
- To supply an informative Mike Oldfield themed magazine to subscribers
- To provide insight into working with Mike Oldfield through interviews with Mike Oldfield collaborators
- To manufacture exclusive merchandise items and offer them for sale to all Mike Oldfield fans
- To provide priority access to Mike Oldfield concerts where possible
- To offer competitions to all Mike Oldfield fans with unique prizes
- To encourage fans to meet and socialise in a safe environment
- To ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment

3 Membership

Membership should consist of officers and members of the club. Members will be enrolled by purchasing a current subscription to the Dark Star – The Mike Oldfield Magazine. Membership will expire after receipt of the last issue of a paid subscription.

Membership shall be open to all irrespective of age, gender, race, disability, ethnic origin, creed, colour, social status and sexual orientation.

4 Membership fees

Membership fees will be set after each magazine issue and agreed by the Management Committee.

5 Officers of the club

The officers of the club will be:

- Chairman: Chris Dewey
- Honorary Secretary: Wilma Dewey

6 Committee

The Club will be managed through the Management Committee consisting of the club officers.

The duties of the Committee shall be:

- To control the affairs of the club on behalf of the members.
- Adopting new policy, codes of conduct and rules that affect the organisation of the club
- To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the club through the Treasurer
- An elected Committee member ceases to be such if he or she ceases to be a member of the club, resigns by written notice, or is removed by the Committee for good cause after the member concerned has been given the chance of putting their case to the Committee. Appeal against removal may be made to the Appeals Committee. The Committee shall fairly decide time limits and formalities for these steps.



The powers of the Committee shall be:

- The Management Committee will have powers to appoint sub-committees as necessary and appoint advisers to the Management Committee as necessary to fulfill its business
- To co-opt additional members of the Committee as the Committee feel is necessary. Co-opted members shall be entitled to a vote on the Committee.
- To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes, the Chair shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.
- The Committee shall have powers to appoint sub-committees as necessary and to co-opt advisers who may be non-club members invited to advise on specialist subjects.
- This Constitution is discussed, amended and adopted by the Committee, which also hold the right of Interpretation.
- Do all things reasonably necessary to advance the aims and objectives of the club.
- NONE of the above powers may be used other than to advance the aims and objectives in a manner consistent with the Rules and the general law.

7 Finance

- All club monies will be banked in a dedicated personal bank account held by the Chairman
- The Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the club.
- The financial year of the club will end on: 5th April
- A statement of annual accounts will be presented annually by the Treasurer to the Management Committee.
- Any cheques drawn against club funds to be endorsed by any one of the Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer.
- No payment for sundry expenses will be made without receipts or, until such time as all monies have been given to the Treasurer.
- All surplus income or profits are to be re-invested in the Club.

8 Dissolution

If the Management Committee by a simple majority, decide at any time, on ground of expense or otherwise, that it is necessary or advisable to dissolve or change the status of the Organisation, it shall ask the members explicitly to share any objections. If objections are raised which cannot be satisfied by the Management Committee, a Special Meeting of the Organisation will be called and the proposal put to members with a majority vote required from members to proceed. Any assets remaining after the satisfaction of any proper debts and liabilities, shall be given or transferred equally to any organisation with similar aims and objectives to the Organisation.

9 Property and Funds

The property and funds of the club cannot be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of members other than as reasonably allowed by the Rules and all surplus income or profits shall be reinvested in the club.

The Club will indemnify the Committee and members acting properly in the course of the running of the club against any liability incurred in the proper running of the club (but only to the extent of its assets)

10 Declaration

Dark Star – The Mike Oldfield Magazine hereby adopts and accepts this constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of members.