

# **NOTICE**

# **Change of Bye-Laws on Horses and Riding**

# Notice is given that the following bye-law is amended with effect from 27<sup>th</sup> January 2016

Bye-law D.8a, b, c, and d is changed as follows:

- 8. Stable Allocations for Polo Ponies
- a. Application for Stables

Any Charter Member wishing to put a Polo Pony at livery at the Club must submit an application in writing to the Polo Sub-Committee.

All applications will be reviewed by the Polo Sub-Committee which, if the application is approved, will then make its recommendations known to the Committee for its ratification.

b. Applications to Purchase or Bring in a Horse or Replace a Horse

Any intended purchase / change of ownership of any existing Polo Pony within the Club is subject to the approval of the Polo Captain and must be requested in writing.

Any member wishing to sell a Polo Pony within the Club may apply to have a notice placed on the Notice Board for a



minimum of one week indicating the price asked, and requesting those members interested in purchasing the Polo Pony to enter their names on this list. The vendor must then indicate to the Polo Captain to which of the applicants he wishes to sell his horse. The Polo Captain will then advise him of the Committee's decision.

## c. Limits on Number of Stables per Charter Member

Stables may be allocated/leased either with no fixed period of time or allocated/leased for a period of one year or up to ten years at the discretion of the Committee. Those applying for long term or ten year leases will be required to pay an upfront booking fee as determined by the Committee. This fee will guarantee that the Charter Member will be allowed to lease the stable(s) for the full period subject to complying with the conditions set out herein. However, should the lessee wish to cut short the duration of the lease, the Club will refund the booking fee on a pro rata basis. For one year leases there will be no guarantee that the lease will be automatically renewed on the same terms and conditions or at all at the end of each one year term. The livery charges for leased stables will be determined by the Committee which may also revise these charges from time to time.



A stable allocation fee as determined by the Committee from time to time may be payable to the Club by the allocatee within one week of its decision to approve an allocation/lease to a member.

The maximum number of leased stables for polo ponies allowable per player is based on the official international polo handicap of the Charter Member concerned as follows

#### For allocated stables with no fixed term

N(ovice) : no allocated stable

-2 : no allocated stable

-1 : one allocated stable

0 : three allocated stables

1 and above : four allocated stables

### For long term or 10 year leases

N(ovice) : no leased stable

-2 : no leased stable

-1 : one leased stable

0 : four leased stables

1 and above : four leased stables

# • For short term or 1-year leases

N(ovice) : no leased stable



-2 : two leased stables

-1 : two leased stables

0 : two leased stables

1 and above : two leased stables

When making decisions on allocations and/or leases, the Committee, on the advice of the Polo Sub-Committee, will first accord priority to the player's polo handicap and then secondly, to the date of application. The Committee may also take into consideration the following:

- a. The applicant's potential and his/her likely contributions to the development of polo at the Club
- b. The willingness of the applicant to import/purchase a Polo Pony of sufficient quality and standard (in the view of the Polo Sub-Committee) so as to be an asset to polo at the Club
- c. The regularity of play by the applicant and/or eligible polo playing Family Member

# d. Polo Playing Family Members

If the Charter Polo Playing Member or Charter Member has a polo playing Family Member who has been awarded a polo handicap by the Club (or who already holds an official international polo handicap) and who plays polo regularly at the Club, the above quotas for short term or annually leased stables will be increased by one.



Accordingly, the maximum number of Polo Ponies any one individual Charter Polo Playing Member or Charter Member (of whatever polo handicap) may keep stabled at the Club is 10 (or, including a polo playing Family Member as defined above, 11).

In respect of Polo Ponies purchased overseas by members and subsequently imported into the Club, they must be playing polo regularly and/or be presented for umpiring, to the satisfaction of the Polo Sub-Committee, within three months of occupying a Club stable.

By Order Of The Committee 27 January 2016