

THE TRIUMPH MAYFLOWER CLUB

RULES OF THE CLUB

These are the original rules of the club, but with the changes made at General Meetings since their adoption in 1978.

1. The name of the club will be “The Triumph Mayflower Club”, hereafter called the TMC.
2. The objectives of the TMC shall be:-
 - a) to promote interest in and preserve the Triumph Mayflower car
 - b) to encourage and assist members to care for their vehicles in order to maintain a high standard of preservation both mechanically and bodily.
 - c) to encourage the pastime of motoring
3. Subsidiary powers
The TMC shall have the following powers to further its objectives:-
 - a) to publish and print any books, periodicals, magazines, newsletters or leaflets that it may consider desirable.
 - b) to organise such meetings, rallies, and social functions as it thinks fit
 - c) to borrow or raise funds on such terms and on such security as may be thought fit
 - d) to do all things as are incidental to the attainment or furtherance of its objectives.
4. Classes of Membership
 - a) ordinary members –which shall be open to any person, irrespective of age, with an interest in the Triumph Mayflower.
 - b) Family membership – which shall be open to any person together with his or her partner and children with an interest in the Triumph Mayflower
 - c) Honorary Membership – which may be conferred and renewed by the club in General Meeting upon any person considered to have made a significant contribution to the furtherance of the club’s objectives. However:-
 - i) the maximum number of honorary members should not exceed six.
 - ii) a retiring Chairman with over 10 years continuous standing can be asked to accept the title “Honorary Life President”, with full Committee membership rights.
 - iii) a retiring Committee member with over 10 years continuous standing can be asked to accept the title “Honorary Life member”, with full Committee membership rights, if they so wish.
 - iv) Honorary membership of any one person shall lapse after five years or when agreed at General Meeting.The honorary member shall enjoy all club facilities and may stand for election to the Committee and may exercise a vote in committee (if elected) and at a General Meeting.
5. Application for Membership
 - a) Application to become a member or to renew membership of the TMC shall be made in such a way as the Committee determines
 - b) Each applicant shall be deemed to agree to be bound by the rules of the TMC.

6. Subscription

- a) Every member except Honorary members shall pay an annual subscription to the funds of the club in an amount and a manner as the club in General meeting shall decide.
- b) Subscriptions for renewal of membership will be due on 1st April each year. If a member's subscription is not received by 1st July they will cease to be a member, but will be eligible for readmission.
- c) New members shall be liable for the full annual subscription and an initial joining fee. Those joining between October and March shall not be required to pay a renewal subscription in the subsequent year. The initial joining fee amount is decided by General Meeting.

7. Expulsion of Members

The committee shall have power to expel any member whose conduct shall be in the opinion of the committee render them unfit for membership of the club. Before any such member is expelled the secretary shall give them not less than fourteen days written notice of the complaints made against them. No member shall be expelled without first having the opportunity to answer such complaints. Any member so expelled shall have a right of appeal to the Club in General Meeting which may revoke or confirm such expulsion.

8. Management

a) the Committee

- i) The Club will be managed by a committee in all affairs except those reserved in these rules for the club in General Meeting. The committee shall consist of the following officers - elected by the club in general meeting to serve nominally for one year:
Chairman / Vice Chairman / General & Membership Secretary / Rally Secretary / Spares Secretary / Archivist / Treasurer / Magazine Editor / Regalia secretary / Second hand spares secretary / co-opted members.
The club also has a non committee member with responsibilities for managing its website – web master The club also has non committee members who are technical officers who are on hand via telephone or email to support members with Mayflower problems.
It is expected that officers report annually on their role within the TMC at each Annual General Meeting.
The committee may create other positions that it considers necessary – but only at a General Meeting
- ii) The committee shall meet at least once a year – in addition to the General Meeting.
- iii) The committee members who absent themselves without reason from 3 consecutive meetings shall forfeit their right to be a committee member. The committee may elect a replacement to serve until the next General Meeting. At the general meeting an election will take place for the vacant position.
- iv) Decisions from matters arising in committee meetings will be agreed upon by majority vote. Each committee member has one vote. In the case of an equality vote the Chairman shall have a second and therefore the casting vote.

a. General meetings

i. Annual General meeting

The TMC shall hold at least one General Meeting in each calendar year as its Annual General Meeting. The time and place is decided by the committee.

ii. Extraordinary General Meeting

All General Meetings except the Annual general meeting shall be called Extraordinary General Meeting. The committee shall call an Extraordinary General Meeting when a majority of them thinks it fit to do so, or when not less than 10 members of the club request in writing to the General Secretary for such a meeting, stating the business to be transacted.

iii. Notice of General Meeting, agenda and Quorum

Each member of the TMC shall be sent notice of any General Meeting not less than 21 days before the meeting.

The notice will state the place and time of the meeting, together with the agenda of the business to be discussed. A quorum shall consist of 7 members present and with the right to vote. Business will be decided by the chairman and voting on motions will be decided by a majority vote.

iv. Each member, including cases of joint or family membership, is entitled to one vote.

9. Control of funds and expenses

a) No officer, committee member, or ordinary member of the club shall be entitled to any re-numeration in respect of their post or appointment except for reimbursement of out of pocket expenses. The committee is empowered to authorise contributions towards additional out of pocket expenses incurred in pursuit of TMC business.

b) No obligation may be occurred or expenditure made out of TMC funds without the authorisation of the committee. The committee shall however have the power to delegate responsibility to specific officers in this respect up to £50 in any one transaction, or in the case of the spares secretaries such a limit that the committee thinks fit.

c) The treasurer shall keep proper books of account in respect of funds received by the club and expended on the TMC's behalf and shall provide for each member present at the Annual General Meeting a balance sheet and an income and expenditure account for the period since the last meeting. The accounts will then be published for members' inspection and members have the right to question any item on these accounts.

d) The treasurer shall arrange such current and deposit accounts as thought appropriate and authorised by the committee with a recognized bank of repute. Authority to honour cheques shall require the signatures of the treasurer and either the chairman or general secretary.

10. Rallies and Club Events

In furtherance of its objectives the club shall from time to time arrange a national rally which shall include a "concours d'elegance" in its programme together with other events that the committee may deem desirable. At any event organised by the TMC, member's families and friends attends the event at their own risk. No member of the club shall be held responsible for any loss, damage or injury to person or property howsoever caused and entry to any event shall be deemed to indicate acceptance of this condition.

11) Spare parts and equipment

- a) The TMC shall make all endeavours to secure both new and second hand parts suitable for use in the Triumph Mayflower. These spare parts shall be kept in a place, under the direction of the committee. Such parts are made available to club members at a reasonable price.
- b) The committee may also authorise the purchase of such items of equipment as may be necessary for the administration of the TMC's affairs and to facilitate the effective organisation and running of club events.

12) Dissolution of the Club

A motion to dissolve the club may be made only as an agenda item at a General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting. If the motion is successful by a majority of the members present the motion will be presented to the membership as a whole for a postal ballot. At least half of the membership must agree to the motion being carried and the club dissolved. In the event of such a motion being carried the membership as a whole shall be responsible for payment of any outstanding debts and any assets raised shall be distributed among members after payment of outstanding debts.

13) Alteration to the Rules of the Club

The rules of the club can only be altered by members of the club at an Annual General Meeting.

14) Minutes

The committee shall keep accurate minutes of each meeting of the committee or General Meeting of the TMC. These minutes shall be circulated amongst members as soon as possible after a meeting that involves their taking. Consequently, any member has the right to contact the Chairman to request clarification on any point from the minutes.