BUXTON MODEL BOAT CLUB
RULES AND REGULATIONS

The club shall be known as the Buxton Model Boat Club. Hereinafter it is also referred to as the Club or the B.M.B.C.

1. Objectives

To promote interest and activity in building and sailing model boats and to pass on the skills and knowledge to younger members and novices.

2. Sailing

Only boats within the following categories may be used:

(a) steam powered provided these are operated with a current Boiler Certificate
(b) electric boats
(c) wind powered boats.

Boats powered by internal combustion engines are NOT permitted to be operated at any events under the B.M.B.C rules and regulations.

SAILING TIMES:

Thursdays 0800hrs to 1100hrs
Sundays 0800hrs to 1100hrs

Only the upper lake shall be used unless a) taking part in an organised event on the fountain lake, b) during bank holidays when the Club is scheduled to sail and display member models, c) if the Upper Lake is unusable due to algae or other unforeseen circumstances. In these cases the Fountain Lake may be used.

Both lakes must not be used simultaneously.

3. Membership

Any person may apply to become a member of the Club. Membership is subject to approval by the Committee.

Subscriptions are payable immediately following acceptance by the Committee of an application for Membership of the Club.

Renewal of membership by subscription is due and required to be paid in full by the 1st of April each year. The membership fee includes Third Party Public Liability Insurance provided by the Club's Insurers.

The minimum and maximum number of members of the Club shall be controlled by the Committee.

4. Subscriptions

The annual rate of membership subscriptions shall be reviewed annually by the committee and will then be put as a recommendation to the Club Members at the next AGM.

Membership fees at present are:

Full Members	£10.00
Junior Members Under 18	£ 9.00
Family Membership	£15.00
Honorary Members	No fee

Or an appropriate proportion thereof if joining part way through the year.

At all B.M.B.C events a Junior Member must be supervised by a parent/guardian, or responsible adult who has parental permission.

Family membership covers the member, their partner and any children under the age of 18 who are resident in their household.

Honorary Membership (no subscription required) can be awarded by formal vote by the membership at the AGM.

5. Management

The Executive Officers of the Club are:

- Chairman/Commodore

- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Publicity Officer
- Two elected members

The committee will be elected by the members on an annual basis at the Club's Annual General Meeting.

The Chairman/Commodore may hold that roll for no more than two consecutive years. There is no restriction upon the number of years a person may hold other Executive positions.

6. Finance

A current bank account shall be held in the name of Buxton Model Boat Club and all monies belonging to the Club held in this account. All cheques issued shall bear two authorised signatures. Each year at the AGM the treasurer will present a summary of all the Club's receipts and payments

In the event that the Club decides to cease operating as a unique individual Club it shall be wound up. All assets shall be sold and monies in total shall be paid to the HighPeak Mayor's charity fund.

7. Annual General Meeting

An Annual General Meeting will take place every year, preferably in March. The following events will take place at the AGM:

- To review and accept the Annual accounts
- To discuss and agree the membership fees for the coming year
- To receive retiring officers' reports
- To elect all officers and committee members for the coming year
- To agree any proposed changes to the Club rules
- To consider any other business of an AGM nature

All voting at the AGM will be decided on a simple majority. In the event of a tie, the Chair Person will have the deciding vote.
At least 25% of the members must be present at the AGM. If insufficient members are present another meeting must be called as soon as possible.

8. Extraordinary General Meeting

This type of meeting can be called at any time either by the committee, or by 5 or more of the Club Members. For the latter, the secretary must receive the request in writing signed by the Members. Notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting must be received by members at least

fourteen days before the meeting. The rules for attendance and voting at this meeting are the same as for the Annual General Meeting.

9. Safety

When launching from the Upper Lake all boats will be launched from the platform on the Upper Lake and the area must be cordoned off to prevent the general public gaining access.
When launching from the Fountain Lake a small area must be cordoned of to prevent the general public gaining access.
All boats must be launched using straps or other methods to eliminate the need to bend over the water.
At the end of each session all boats must be recovered from the Gardens waters and under no circumstances must be left to pollute the waters.
Model boats must be operated at all times with full consideration for the safety of other members of the club and their boats, the general public, wildlife, flora and fauna.
Members of the Public will be allowed to visit the landing stage by invitation only and are the responsibility of the invitee.
The last member to leave the launch area must ensure that the area is clean and returned to its original state and all temporary barriers are to be removed and chains replaced.