



ROCHDALE RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB

500 CLUB

RULES & PROCEDURES

31ST JULY 2018

THE RRUFC 500 CLUB

PREAMBLE

Rochdale Rugby Union Football Club ('RRUFC') is a rugby sports and social club committed to enabling participation in and supporting of rugby and sport in the local community.

The prime objective of the **RRUFC 500 Club** is to promote fundraising for Rochdale Rugby Union Football Club with participation from all the various sections of RRUFC, including Rochdale Rugby Union Club Seniors (both gentlemen and ladies), Mini and Juniors section (both boys and girls). The **RRUFC 500 Club**, as a private Small Society lottery as defined by the Gambling Act 2005 registered with Rochdale Borough Council, is a potentially valuable source of funds to contribute to investment projects and enable participation in relation to the activities and facilities of Rochdale Rugby Union Football Club. It will also provide the members of the **RRUFC 500 Club** with the chance of winning valuable cash prizes.

Income generated will be paid out in cash prizes proportionate to the income generated meaning that the more people who join the **RRUFC 500 Club** the higher the potential prize money.

The maximum number of members will be 500 persons.

So, support RRUFC and this fundraising project and more importantly give yourself a chance to win a cash prize.

To apply for membership of the **RRUFC 500 Club** please complete and return both the **RRUFC 500 Club** Application Form and a bank direct debit mandate.

RRUFC 500 CLUB RULES

1. The lottery shall be known as the **RRUFC 500 Club** (otherwise 'the Club') and is a private Small Society lottery (as defined by the Gambling Act 2005) operated by a duly appointed sub-committee of Rochdale Rugby Union Football Club ('RRUFC') under the Rules and Constitution of **RRUFC**.
2. **RRUFC 500 Club** will operate under the Gambling Act 2005 and is registered with Rochdale Borough Council, the Promoter being the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of RRUFC.

3. The requisite permit and registration under the Gambling Act 2005 for the **RRUFC 500 Club** will be renewable each year and it will be the responsibility of the Promoter to procure issue and renewal of the same. The permit may be held in the name of the Club's premises general manager and made available for inspection.
4. The Club will be called the **RRUFC 500 Club** regardless of the number of members or chances sold and will be limited to a maximum of 500 members with numbers.
5. The purpose of the **RRUFC 500 Club** is to receive funds from participating members and to re-distribute these funds as money prizes ('Prizes') between:
 - 5.1 the holders of winning Prize draw numbers; and
 - 5.2 **RRUFC** investment development and sporting projects in accordance with under the Rules and Constitution of **RRUFC**.
6. The **RRUFC 500 Club** will run from 1st September to 31st August each year ('the Club Year').
7. Membership of **RRUFC 500 Club** is open to all persons including members of RRUFC aged 18 years or over.
8. Committee members of **RRUFC 500 Club** are eligible for membership of the **RRUFC 500 Club**.
9. Membership of **RRUFC 500 Club** shall entitle participating members of the Club ('Members') to be eligible for **RRUFC 500 Club** Prize draws as referred to in these rules.
10. The division of total funds received by **RRUFC 500 Club** will be:
 - 10.1 as to **Fifty (50%)** per cent of funds received to Prizes ('the **Prize Fund**'); and
 - 10.1 as to **Fifty (50%)** per cent of funds received to **RRUFC** for investment project funding ('the **Project Fund**').
11. The **Prize Fund** shall be allocated between eligible Members at the Prize draws referred to in these rules.
12. The **Project Fund** will be made over to the **RRUFC** by way of donations twice per Club Year.
13. Application for membership of **RRUFC 500 Club** shall be made in writing to the **RRUFC 500 Club** Management Committee on the Club's membership application form from time to time approved by the **RRUFC 500 Club** Committee confirming the intention of an applicant to be a Member of **RRUFC 500 Club**.

14. New **RRUFC 500 Club** Members will be allocated membership chance number(s) from the pool of unallocated numbers available at the date of commencement of membership. This will normally be the lowest available number first in an effort to maintain a contiguous range of numbers for each draw.
15. The cost to participate ('Subscription(s)') and be a Member of **RRUFC 500 Club** will be **£10.00** per month per membership chance number allocated. Annual pre-payment will be permitted and is **£120.00** per Club Year per membership chance number allocated.
16. **RRUFC 500 Club** Members may elect to pay Subscriptions to the Club's bank account at Yorkshire Bank Plc Sort Code 05-07-22 Account 25032724:
 - 16.1 annually by cheque or bank transfer; or
 - 16.1 monthly on the 1st of each month by bank direct debit.
17. **RRUFC 500 Club** Members electing to pay annually must do so by the 1st day of the month of a lottery Prize draw to be eligible for a lottery Prize draw. **RRUFC 500 Club** Members who have paid the annual fee will be deemed to be eligible for all four consecutive lottery Prize draws in any relevant Club Year.
18. **RRUFC 500 Club** Members electing to pay monthly must do so by the 1st day of each calendar month to be eligible for a lottery Prize draw. **RRUFC 500 Club** does not accept responsibility for payment not received by due dates.
19. The **RRUFC 500 Club** will allocate Members a number which will serve as a chance in each of the lottery Prize draws.
20. Chance tickets will not be issued but **RRUFC 500 Club** Members will be notified in writing by the Promoters of their allocated membership number(s).
21. Members may hold multiple numbers up to a maximum of five chances in any one draw. The appropriate payment of Subscription(s) must be paid for each chance applied for.
22. Members may nominate another person as the beneficial holder of a membership chance number for which they are making Subscription payment but if the nominated person is under the age of 18 years, then any Prize will be paid to the Member and not to the nominated person.
23. Membership numbers are not transferable. On cessation of a Member's participation in the **RRUFC 500 Club**, any number for which a Member makes a Subscription payment will be returned to the pool of unallocated membership chance numbers.

24. To be eligible for each Prize draw members must have paid the appropriate Subscription(s). The **RRUFC 500 Club** reserves the right to withdraw any number where the Member has not paid the relevant Subscription(s) by the due dates noted above. Refunds will not be made.
25. Prizes will be awarded by the random selection of membership chance numbers held by eligible **RRUFC 500 Club** Members at the time and date of a Prize draw.
26. Prizes will be paid to winning Members by cheque which must be collected in person from the Club. Ny Prize unclaimed after 12 calendar months will be returned to the Prize fund for future Quarterly Draws. Winners names will be announced on the **RRUFC** website.
27. The Club's inaugural Prize draw will be made in January 2019 and there will be four (4) Prize draws ('Quarterly Draw(s)') during each Club Year.
28. Quarterly Draws will be made in January, April, August, December during each Club Year
29. All Quarterly Draws will be made on the last Saturday of the month following a rugby game at RRUFC or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter and include all Members who have paid their monthly membership Subscription as at the first day of the month during which a Quarterly Draw takes place.
30. The **Prize Fund** for each Quarterly Draw will be allocated to eligible Members whose number is drawn in the following proportions:
 - 30.1 **1st** drawn number: **Twenty-Five (25%)** per cent of the Prize Fund
 - 30.2 **2nd** drawn number: **Fifteen (15%)** per cent of the Prize Fund
 - 30.3 **3rd** drawn number: **Ten (10%)** per cent of the Prize Fund
 - 30.4 Quarterly Draw Prizes will be drawn in descending value order (i.e. the largest prize first).
31. The Quarterly Draw in each December of a Club Year will be known as the Grand Annual Draw and will be held (where reasonably possible) at **RRUFC's** annual Christmas pre-match lunch or on such other date as the **RRUFC 500 Club** Committee shall reasonably determine. In addition to their prize lunch will be provided for any winner of a prize attending the pre-match lunch.
32. The **RRUFC 500 Club** is a constituent part of **RRUFC** and the management committee for the time being of **RRUFC** (as constituted under the Rules and Constitution of RRUFC from time to time) will have responsibility for the implementation of these **RRUFC 500 Club** rules and the overall management of the Club.

- 33 **RRUFC 500 Club** Members may terminate their membership at any time by giving written notice of termination to the RRUFC 500 Club Committee at RRUFC Clubhouse, Moorgate Avenue, off Bury Road, Bamford, Rochdale OL11 5LU.
- 34 The **RRUFC 500 Club** will not accept responsibility for non-receipt of payments.
- 35 Should the membership of the **RRUFC 500 Club** fall below 50 Members the **RRUFC 500 Club** may at the discretion of the **RRUFC 500 Club** Committee be wound up. In such circumstances the **RRUFC 500 Club** Committee will refund any payments received by the **RRUFC 500 Club** after the last Quarterly Draw and before the date of cessation of the **RRUFC 500 Club**.
- 36 **RRUFC 500 Club** and **RRUFC** reserves the right to change these rules as permitted by the Gambling Act 2005 subject to giving not less than two (2) months' notice to all current Members.

Adopted 31st July 2018

By order of the Management Committee of Rochdale RUFC