

# Yare Valley Sailing Club

## Membership Application Form

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**Applicant's Name:** -----

If your membership is accepted, your spouse and children automatically become eligible for membership and will be accepted, subject to payment of appropriate subscriptions(s).

If they wish to become members, please give the following information:

First Name(s) of spouse: -----

First Name(s) of children:

----- Date of Birth: -----

----- Date of Birth: -----

Address:

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-----Tel: -----

Particulars of Boat: Name: -----

Type: ----- Length: -----

Class: ----- Beam: -----

Rig: ----- Draught: -----

A brief resume of (our sailing experience is given overleaf)

I apply for membership of the YARE VALLEY SAILING CLUB and, if elected, agree to abide by the Club Rules (copy supplied with form) and to support the objectives of the club i.e.

"To foster friendship between sailors and to encourage those whose interests lie primarily in cruising and maintaining their sailing craft."

I declare my intention of supporting as often as possible activities organised by the Club and if I lend my boat to non members, I will not allow the use of the Club burgee.

Date: ----- Signed: -----

Proposed: ----- Signed: -----

Seconded: ----- Signed: -----  
**YVSC Club Rules**

### **1. Title**

The title of the Club is “Yare Valley Sailing Club”.

### **2. Objectives**

- (a) To foster greater friendship between keen sailors, to encourage those whose interests lie primarily in cruising and maintaining their sailing craft, and to protect their interests.
- (b) The Club is a non-profit making organisation. All surpluses shall be used to maintain or improve the Club’s facilities. No profit or surplus shall be distributed.

### **3. Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting shall be held each year in the autumn.

### **4. Officers**

The Club Officers shall, where possible, consist of a Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear-Commodore, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.

### **5. Management**

The management of the Club shall be in the hands of the Committee which shall consist of the Club’s Officers and six elected members. A quorum for a meeting shall require an attendance of six, including at least one Officer. Officers and other Committee members shall be appointed or elected at the Annual General Meeting. Elected Committee members may serve for two years not being eligible for re-election for a period of one year. There should not be more than three vacancies at any one time. If necessary, the Committee may determine that any elected member(s) may serve for a further year to achieve this. The retiring Commodore shall be invited to serve ex-officio on the Committee for one year.

The Committee shall have the authority to fill vacancies (including those of Club Officers) remaining after the AGM, or arising in the course of a year. Those appointed in this way shall serve only for the duration of the vacancy to which they are appointed. The Committee may co-

opt further members, to a maximum of two, to serve until the next AGM. The Committee shall appoint a Sailing Secretary from among its members. The Honorary Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Club.

## **6. Election**

The Commodore shall hold office for a period of one year. On his relinquishing office, the Vice-Commodore shall be invited to take office as Commodore and a new Rear-Commodore shall be elected, the present Rear-Commodore having been invited to take office as Vice-Commodore. Not less than four weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Club, all voting Members shall be informed of the vacancies to be filled and shall be invited to submit in writing, not later than one week before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting, nominations for such vacancies. No nominations shall be accepted unless the consent of the nominee is obtained.

## **7. Applications for Membership**

All applications for Membership shall be on the approved form and, if the application is to cover a family, all names as well as the ages of the Junior Members must be stated. The completed form shall be submitted to the Honorary Secretary for consideration by the Committee. Each application shall be proposed and seconded by Members who have been Members of the Club for the two previous years. Members of the same household may not propose the same prospective Member.

## **8. Classes of Membership**

### *Full*

This subscription entitles the Member to a vote at the AGM, covers the cost of the Green Book, *Meag* and all the Club circulars. The Member is entitled to enter the Clippesby Trophy Competition.

### *Associate*

This class of membership may be claimed by those who have been Full Members and have reached the age that would entitle them to a state pension. This subscription covers the cost of the *Meag* and all the Club circulars. The member is entitled to enter the Clippesby Trophy Competition.

### *Junior*

For young people who have not reached their eighteenth birthday by the date their subscription is due on 1 January. Junior Members up to and including the age of twelve may enter the Junior

Clippesby Trophy Competition. From thirteen years upward they may enter the Tom Mackley Trophy Competition. They may automatically become Full Members at eighteen years of age without the usual process of application. The Club party is free to Junior Members.

### **9. Cessation of Membership**

Membership shall terminate:

(a) On resignation

(b) Upon any Member's subscription remaining unpaid for three months after the 1st of January.

This fact shall be notified to such a member and if the account due remains unpaid for one month after such notice, the Committee may remove their name from the Club register, when their membership shall cease, unless for any sufficient reason the Committee may think proper to extend the time allowed.

### **10. Conduct of Members**

The Committee is empowered to take such action as they deem necessary in the event of any member's conduct being contrary to the interests of the Club.

### **11. Subscriptions and Payment of Dues**

The Club's Financial Year shall be to 31 August annually.

(a) The level of subscriptions and entrance fees shall be determined at the Annual General Meeting. All subscriptions become payable to the Honorary Treasurer on admission to the Club, and on the 1st of January each year thereafter.

(b) No Member is allowed to take part in any of the Club's activities until all dues have been paid.

### **12. Personal Data**

Membership of the Club and acceptance of these Rules by the Member will be deemed to constitute consent to the holding of relevant personal data and to its use in the form of membership lists, address labels and any necessary reports confidential to the Officers and Committee for the purposes of the Data Protection Acts.

### **13. The Club Burgee**

All Members are entitled to fly the Club Burgee, which is a yellow flag emblazoned with a black

windmill. Members shall not allow the Club Burgee to be flown if they lend their boat to a non-member. The Club emblem must not be used on a racing flag unless the Member flying it is representing the Club in a race.

#### **14. Dissolution of the Club**

(a) The Club may be dissolved provided that two thirds of members present at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting agrees to do so.

In that event, any assets shall be donated to a recognised Broads sailing organization or Broads sailing charity.

(b) In the event that the Club is dissolved by a Court of Law, the disposal of any assets shall be in accordance with (a) above.

#### **15. Alteration to Rules**

These Rules may be altered, abrogated and added to, either generally or for the particular occasion, at any General Meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the Members present and eligible to vote at such a meeting. Notice of alteration, abrogation, or addition shall be submitted to the Honorary Secretary at least four weeks before such meeting.

Post application to:

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