**Bawburgh Bridge Club**



Membership Application Policy and Procedure

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| 1 | Anyone who plays in 10 Club sessions (Weds or Thurs p.m.) as a Visitor is expected to submit an application for membership. |
| 2 | The Membership Secretary will receive applications and operate the policy on behalf of the committee. |
| 3 | All applicants must complete an application form which must be signed by two existing members: one Proposer one Seconder. The application form is to be sent to the Membership Secretary.  The Application form, once completed signed and countersigned may be scanned and sent electronically to [memsecbbc@gmail.com](mailto:memsecbbc@gmail.com) , submitted as hardcopy at a club session or by post.  The application fee is to be paid when the applicant receives notification that the application has been successful. |
| 4 | The completed Application form will be pinned to the Club Noticeboard for a minimum of two weeks to allow objections from current Members to be lodged with the Membership Secretary before an application can be formally considered.  In accordance with the Constitution the Club reserves the right to decline an application and may give a reason but is not obliged to do so. |
| 5 | Once an application form has been submitted an applicant may play in Club Sessions until a decision on their application has been made. |
| 6 | The following criteria will be applied in considering applications for new members *but* the Committee reserves the right to make its decision using whatever evidence or information it sees fit: |
| 1. An applicant who has achieved the rank of County Master or above can be accepted into Membership subject to the normal waiting period for objections *and* achieving a score of 40% or more in two Club Sessions |
| 1. An applicant who wishes to progress from Beginners/Relaxed *OR* is an applicant not previously associated with the Club and has not achieved the rank of County Master, must achieve 5 Qualifying Scores (see 7) to be eligible for Club Membership. 2. The 5 Qualifying Scores must include at least 2 scores of 40% or more achieved in a Club Session (Weds or Thurs p.m.). 3. The 5 Qualifying scores must be achieved in a single period of 6 calendar months. |
| 7 | A Qualifying Score is 40% or more in a Club Session or 45% or more in a Relaxed bridge session. |