Constitution of

BlackRock Board Racing Club

ARTICLE I: Name

The name of this Club will be

BlackRock Board Racing Club

ARTICLE II: Purpose

The purpose of this Club is to provide a training and racing base for prone board paddlers affiliated to the national and international governing bodies for prone board racing (Surfing England SE, and the International Surfing Association ISA).

The ethos of the club is to support and nurture athletes who aspire to national and international level prone racing competition, but to encourage prone board paddling at all levels and ages.

ARTICLE III: Membership

Section 1: The Club is open to any person in good standing who wishes to train and race on prone boards at any level.

Section 2: The Club shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, creed, age, disability, marital status or size.

Section 3: Fees

The following amount will be charged every year for membership fees.

To be decided – Adults SE £15 + 10 for club fees

- Junior SE £10 + 5 club fees

b. The monies will be paid on 1 October for the forthcoming year via the Surfing England membership site.

Any members joining later than 1 October will be due fees for the full month of joining and a proportionate portion of the annual fee.

Section 4: Membership privileges:

1. to train at available training sessions,
2. the use of club equipment as available,
3. to vote for and to join the club committee,
4. membership of Surfing England which will entitle each member to full Surfing England membership privileges, insurance and discounts.

ARTICLE IV: Elected Officers

The officers of this Club

1. Chairperson
2. Club Secretary
3. Head Coach
4. Welfare officer

ARTICLE V: Duties and responsibilities of the Elected Officers

Section 1: Chairman

1. Chief executive of the Club
2. Chair meetings of the Club
3. Serve as the liaison between the Club and the committee members.
4. Serve as liaison between the Club and Affiliated bodies such as Surfing England, GBSup or other necessary bodies to facilitate the development of prone racing.

Section 2: Club Secretary

1. Take minutes at Club/Organization meetings,
2. Maintain complete and accurate records of all Club meetings,
3. Monitor club membership and attendance in collaboration with the coaches,
4. Sign requisitions for Club finds,
5. Communicate with members regarding club events, race meetings and ad hoc club affairs.

Section 3: Head Coach

1. Leader for all members of the coaching team,
2. To plan an annualized club training and event agenda for discussion and agreement at the October AGM,
3. To report on monthly progress for each section of the club towards achieving the agreed goals,
4. To nurture and train club members towards the goal of achieving national and international representation at prestigious targeted UK and international events.

Section 4: Duties and Responsibilities of the Welfare officer

1. To prepare and annually update the Club Code of Conduct for Club Members, Club Coaches and Club committee according to the norms of current practice and in keeping with Sport England, Surfing England and the International Surfing Association guidelines on codes of conduct in sport,
2. To monitor and investigate any reported breaches to the code of conduct,
3. To Liaise with Surfing England welfare officers in the event of any potential serious breaches to the code of conduct especially in terms of welfare breaches.

Section 3: Duties and Responsibilities of the Treasurer

1. Keep complete and accurate account of the Club funds.
2. Sign requisitions for Club funds
3. Prepare the annual budget for presentation at the Club AGM
4. Report to the Club secretary

ARTICLE VI: Member Responsibilities

Members will ensure that they

1. adhere to the club Code of Conduct at all times,
2. use club recommended safety equipment at all times,
3. are appropriately dressed for the conditions of each event or training session.

ARTICLE VII: Funding

The Club/Organization will have a treasurer designated as the party responsible for finances.

In the absence of a volunteer, this will be a role designated to a paid individual or company competent in club financial affairs.

All monies raised through Club fees, donations, or fundraisers are reported in the club expenditure report every month and will be maintained in a club bank account.

ARTICLE VIII: Elections

Section 1: Members

Members in good standing shall comprise the electorate. Each member of the electorate shall be entitled to vote for positions on the club committee.

Section 2: Elections

Elections shall be held annually at the October club AGM.

Section 3: Qualifications for Office

All elected officers must be a registered Club member and Surfing England member.

ARTICLE IX: Affiliations

Section 1: The Club will be affiliated to the national governing body for the sport of prone board racing, (Surfing England) and by default will therefore also affiliate with the International Surfing Association (ISA).

The Club may on an ad hoc basis choose to affiliate with other bodies for the purpose of water safety (RNLI or UK Coastguard), racing (GBSup or SLSGB), training purposes (private coaches) or financial support (sponsors). These should be agreed and voted as appropriate by all 4 elected committee members before affiliation is formalized.

ARTICLE X: Miscellaneous

1. The Club will strive to support athletes for the purpose of racing prone boards.
2. The Club will endeavor to assist in the provision of the necessary craft for training and racing purposes for individuals requiring support.
3. The club will consider the implementation of a bursary membership system to support individuals who may not have the necessary resources to partake in the sport.

Authorized signatures:

Club Chairman Date

Club Secretary Date

Club Head Coach Date

Club Welfare Officer Date