

CRANBROOK RFC – Rules of the 500 CLUB

1. The 500 Club will be run as a private lottery in accordance with the Lotteries and Amusement Act 1976 (as amended), specifically:
 - a. A private lottery is one in which the sale of tickets is confined to either members of one society established and conducted for purposes not connected with gaming, betting or lotteries and any other persons on the society's premises; or
 - b. Persons all of whom either work or reside on the same premises.
 - c. There is no limitation on the value of either stakes or prizes.
 - d. The promoter must be a member of the club or society who is authorised in writing by the club's governing body to run the lottery.
 - e. There can be no management fee, or expenses percentages. The only deductions allowed are for printing and stationary.
 - f. There is no fixed percentage for the distribution of income, it can be used totally for prizes or divided between prizes and the club fund.
 - g. No written notice or advertisement of the lottery may be exhibited except on the club or society premises or at the premises where the members work or reside or on the tickets.
 - h. The price of every entry must be the same.
 - i. No ticket may be sent through the post.
2. The Club is Cranbrook RFC.
3. The promoter is David McMinnies of Kent Cottage, High Street, Cranbrook, Kent, TN17 3DT.
4. The 500 Club will run for a minimum of twelve months starting September 2006 and will comprise monthly draws that will take place on or before the 2nd Sunday of the subsequent month.
5. Each draw will take place at Cranbrook RFC clubhouse during bar open hours.
6. Winning numbers will be drawn on the basis of lots. All winning numbers will be eligible for the following month's draw.
7. Membership of the 500 Club will be for a minimum of twelve months at a cost of £60 for a year, (£5 per entry per month). Members may join at any time but payment must be received by the 25th of any month to be included in that month's draw. Single monthly entry may not be purchased.
8. Numbers will be allocated sequentially following receipt of an application form together with full payment or acceptance of a bank or building society standing order.
9. A member of the 500 Club may hold more than one number.
10. The total of issued numbers will not exceed 500.
11. Each monthly draw will be allocated a prize fund equal to a minimum of 50% of the fully paid up entries for the month in question. The remaining funds will be retained by Cranbrook RFC to be used at the sole discretion of the Club's committee.
12. Monthly prizes will be allocated (as a proportion of the total fund) as follows: 1st drawn number 25%, 2nd drawn number 15%, 3rd drawn number 10%.
13. Payment of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes will be by cheque.
14. Winning numbers and names will be displayed in the clubhouse.
15. The Club's committee, whose decision will be binding, will arbitrate disputes in the presence of the parties concerned.

EXAMPLE OF MONTHLY PRIZES

	PAID-UP MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP				
	100	200	300	400	500
1st Prize	£125	£250	£375	£500	£625
2nd prize	£75	£150	£225	£300	£375
3rd Prize	£50	£100	£150	£200	£250
Total Fund	£500	£1,000	£1,500	£2,000	£2,500
Prize Fund	£250	£500	£750	£1,000	£1,250

Actual value of prizes will vary according to the value of the monthly prize fund.