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The North of England National Baseball League

RULES.

1.—The name of this Combination of Clubs is "THE NORTH OF ENGLAND NATIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUE" and is, in these Rules, referred to as "THE LEAGUE."

2.—The Headquarters of the League shall be in Manchester.

3.—The League shall consist of clubs that are willing to conform to the bye-laws of this League and the laws of the game. The Council shall have power to divide the clubs into divisions.

4.—Applications for membership must be by notice in writing sent to the Secretary of the League not later than 31st March in each year.

5.—Any casual vacancy occurring in the membership of the League may be filled by the Council.

6.—The Annual Subscription shall be TWO Guineas, which must be paid on or before the 14th of April in each year. Each Club, upon election to membership, shall pay a deposit fee of one guinea, which shall be returned upon resigning or ceasing membership of the League, provided that the Club so retiring shall have faithfully discharged its duties and obligations to the League.

7.—The Council shall from time to time be empowered, by levy or otherwise, to require the Clubs of the League to contribute (in equal shares) such sum or sums of money to the funds of the League as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the League.

8.—The Annual General Meeting of the League shall be held during the month of September in each year. At the Annual General Meeting or any meeting of the Council of the League two representatives shall attend (one of whom shall have the power to vote). All Clubs elected in accordance with these Rules shall be entitled to attend any General Meeting from the time of election. The Chairman of the League shall preside and vote at all

General Meetings ex-officio, and in his absence the Chairman duly elected by such meeting shall have the right to vote. Any Club not represented within 15 minutes of the time notified for the commencement of the meeting will be fined 5/-.

9.—A professional player or professional coach cannot represent any Club at any meeting of the League.

10.—At the Annual General Meeting of the League the Council shall be elected, together with two Auditors who shall audit and certify the Accounts of the League.

11.—The Annual Report and Balance Sheet, duly audited, shall be forwarded to each Club at least seven days before the date of the Annual Meeting.

12.—On the Secretary receiving a requisition signed by half of the members he shall convene a meeting of the League. He shall also convene a meeting at any time upon being directed to do so by the Council, and, where possible, seven clear days' notice shall be given of all meetings.

13.—The League shall be governed by a Council which shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Treasurer and Secretary, together with one representative from each Club and the President of the National Baseball Association, five to form a quorum, and all the powers of the League shall, except as aforesaid, be vested in the Council, which shall be elected at the Annual Meeting in each year. They shall be empowered to deal as they may think fit with Clubs, Officials or players in respect to offences and with any matter not otherwise specifically provided for in these Rules, with the exception of disciplinary matters regarding players, which are dealt with by the Reports and Emergency Committee of the National Baseball Association.

14.—The Council shall meet at Headquarters, unless notified by the Secretary to the contrary, on the third Thursday of each month at 7-0 p.m.

15.—Any casual vacancy occurring on the Council may be filled by the Council.

16.—The Council, or in cases of emergency, the Chairman may delegate any of their powers to Sub-Committees, consisting of such member or members of their body as they may think fit. Any Committee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations that may be imposed on them by the Council.

76.—The consent of the Chief Umpire must be obtained before the strike-off can be altered from the advertised time. Chief Umpires must report late starts and late arrivals of Base Umpires or themselves. Base Umpires who are late must also forward an explanation to the League Secretary immediately. The Chief Umpire and Base Umpire must report to the Manchester County Baseball Association and the League all cases of misconduct of players, Club Officials or spectators, etc., within three days of the occurrence. In cases where players are ordered off the field by the Chief Umpire, the Base Umpire as well as the Chief Umpire must send in a report to the Manchester County Baseball Association and the League at the earliest opportunity.

77.—In cases of matches where it is found necessary to stop play owing to rain or other cause, the Chief Umpire should wait a reasonable length of time before deciding upon abandonment.

78.—Chief Umpires must advise the League of all cases where teams commence late or short-handed, and also in case of their own or Base Umpire's late arrival in any match. Base Umpires must also send an explanation of their late arrival as soon as possible after the game to the League Secretary.

79.—Any Base Umpire who officiates as a Chief Umpire during the whole or part of a game should advise the League of the fact and the reason of it.

80.—It is the duty of a Chief Umpire officiating in League games to take notice of the dress worn by the players and, if it is not in accordance with Rule 17 of the National Baseball Association he must order them to comply with the said Rule and report all such cases to the League.

81.—Should a Chief Umpire fail to report misconduct which comes under his notice, and it is proved to the satisfaction of the Council that such misconduct was of a nature that required investigation, he shall be suspended or otherwise dealt with.

82.—Each home Club must advise the visiting Club and the Match Officials the date and time of strike-off at least five days prior to the date of match, and the Officials must acknowledge the receipt three days before the match.

83.—The Secretary shall not be connected, officially or otherwise, with any League Club, and he shall receive the subscriptions and all money accruing to the League and shall

give account to the Council. The Secretary's accounts shall be audited each year by the Auditors elected at the Annual General Meeting. Accounts shall not be paid until passed by the Council. The Secretary shall attend and keep a record of all meetings, and shall perform all duties which the Council may from time to time require.

84.—All fines must be paid within seven days of imposition.

85.—No matter that is dealt with by the Council shall be appealed against at law, but appeal may be made to the National Baseball Association.

86.—No alteration or addition shall be made in or to these Rules except at the Annual Meeting or at a specially convened meeting for the purpose. Fourteen days' notice must be given to the Secretary of any proposed alterations or additions, the same to be printed and forwarded to the Clubs at least seven days before the meeting. The Council shall have power in their discretion to submit any alteration of Rule thought desirable by it.

87.—Wherever in these Rules the computation of time is involved, Sunday is to be reckoned as a day.

LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP RULES.

1.—The Cup shall be called "THE NORTH OF ENGLAND NATIONAL BASEBALL CHALLENGE CUP," and shall not become the property of any Club.

2.—The entire control and management of the Competition shall be vested in the Council of the North of England National Baseball League.

3.—The Cup shall be competed for annually by all members of the North of England National Baseball League.

4.—The Entrance Fee for each Club shall be 10/-, which must be paid before the 1st May each year.

5.—The Council shall draw each Club in couples. These couples shall compete, and the winners shall be drawn and shall compete in the same manner, and this shall be continued until the end of the Competition, when the winning Club shall hold the Cup. Immediately after each draw is made notice shall be given to each Club of the name

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Ground—Baseball Stadium, Church Road, Wavertree, Liverpool, 15.

Dressing Room—On ground.

Route—L.M.S. to any Liverpool City Station. No. 4 and No. 4a trams from the city pass the ground.

Colours—Shirt: White with Red trimmings; Cap: Red; Stockings: Red and White; Trousers:

Secretary—T. Wilson, 51 Alverstone Road, Liverpool, 15.

Telephone—Waterloo 1640.

Date.	Opponents.	Gr'd.	Results. For	Agst.
May 8	—Blackpool Seagulls	H		
,, 15	—Blackpool Seagulls	A		
,, 22	—South Liverpool Caledonians	H		
,, 26	—Rochdale Greys	H		
,, 29	—Oldham Greyhounds	A		
June 2	—Manchester Blue Sox	A		
,, 5	—Rochdale Greys	H		
,, 8	—Rochdale Greys	A		
,, 12	—League Cup, 1st Round			
,, 19	—Manchester Blue Sox	A		
,, 26	—Manchester Blue Sox	H		
July 3	—Oldham Greyhounds	H		
,, 6	—Oldham Greyhounds	A		
,, 10	—League Cup Semi-final			
,, 10	—Rochdale Greys	A		
,, 17	—Blackpool Seagulls	H		
,, 24	—South Liverpool Caledonians	A		
,, 31	—Oldham Greyhounds	H		
Aug. 7	—League Cup Final			
,, 7	—Blackpool Seagulls	A		
,, 14	—South Liverpool Caledonians	H		
,, 21	—South Liverpool Caledonians	A		
,, 28	—Manchester Blue Sox	H		

MANCHESTER BLUE SOX.

Ground—Charles Street, Blackley, Manchester.
Dressing Room—On Ground.
Route—Victoria, Central, Exchange or London Road Stations. Nos. 16, 17 or 18 bus from Cannon Street to Blackley Library, or 55 bus from High Street to Old Loom Hotel, Moston Lane.
Colours—Shirt: Blue with White trimmings and Blue Emblem; Cap: Blue; Trousers: Grey.
Secretary—J. A. FERRINGTON, "Emerville," Goodman Street, Blackley, Manchester, 9.
Telephone—Collyhurst 2060 (Ground). Collyhurst 2617 (Home).

Date.	Opponents.	Gr'd.	Results. For	Agst.
May 8	South Liverpool Caledonians	H		
„ 15	Oldham Greyhounds	A		
„ 22	Oldham Greyhounds	H		
„ 29	Rochdale Greys	A		
June 2	Liverpool Giants	H		
„ 5	Oldham Greyhounds	H		
„ 12	League Cup 1st Round			
„ 12	South Liverpool Caledonians	A		
„ 16	Blackpool Seagulls	H		
„ 19	Liverpool Giants	H		
„ 26	Liverpool Giants	A		
July 3	South Liverpool Caledonians	H		
„ 10	Blackpool Seagulls	A		
„ 10	League Cup Semi-final			
„ 17	Rochdale Greys	H		
„ 24	Rochdale Greys	A		
„ 27	Oldham Greyhounds	A		
„ 31	Blackpool Seagulls	H		
Aug. 7	League Cup Final			
„ 7	South Liverpool Caledonians	A		
„ 14	Rochdale Greys	H		
„ 21	Blackpool Seagulls	A		
„ 28	Liverpool Giants	A		

OLDHAM GREYHOUNDS.

Ground—The Stadium, Watersheddings, Oldham.
Dressing Room—On Ground.
Route—Mumps Station, L.M.S. Buses Nos. 5 or 6, bus H.
Colours—Shirt and Cap: Maroon; Trousers: Grey; Emblem: White Greyhound.
Secretary—E. LANDLESS TURNER, 13 Fleet Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.
Telephone—Main 1343 (Ground). Ashton 1042.

Date.	Opponents.	Gr'd.	Results. For	Agst.
May 8	Rochdale Greys	A		
„ 15	Manchester Blue Sox	H		
„ 22	Manchester Blue Sox	A		
„ 29	Liverpool Giants	H		
June 5	Manchester Blue Sox	A		
„ 9	South Liverpool Caledonians	A		
„ 12	League Cup 1st Round			
„ 19	Blackpool Seagulls	A		
„ 26	Blackpool Seagulls	H		
July 3	Liverpool Giants	A		
„ 6	Liverpool Giants	H		
„ 10	League Cup Semi-final			
„ 10	South Liverpool Caledonians	A		
„ 13	Rochdale Greys	H		
„ 17	South Liverpool Caledonians	H		
„ 24	Blackpool Seagulls	A		
„ 27	Manchester Blue Sox	H		
„ 31	Liverpool Giants	A		
Aug. 7	League Cup Final			
„ 7	Rochdale Greys	A		
„ 14	Blackpool Seagulls	H		
„ 21	Rochdale Greys	H		
„ 28	South Liverpool Caledonians	H		

ROCHDALE GREYS.

Ground—Willbutts Lane, Spotland, Rochdale.
Dressing Room—On Ground.
Route—Spotland or Norden Bus from Rochdale.
Colours—Shirt: White with Green lettering; Cap: White with Green peak; Trousers: White; Stockings: White with Green rings.
Secretary—FRANK KELSH, 3 Caldershaw, Spotland, Rochdale.
Telephone—Rochdale 4002 (Ground).

Date.	Opponents.	Gr'd.	Results. For	Agst.
May 8	Oldham Greyhounds	H	.....	.....
,, 15	South Liverpool Caledonians	A	.....	.....
,, 22	Blackpool Seagulls	H	.....	.....
,, 26	Liverpool Giants	A	.....	.....
,, 29	Manchester Blue Sox	H	.....	.....
June 5	Liverpool Giants	A	.....	.....
,, 8	Liverpool Giants	H	.....	.....
,, 12	League Cup 1st Round		.....	.....
,, 19	South Liverpool Caledonians	H	.....	.....
,, 26	South Liverpool Caledonians	A	.....	.....
July 3	Blackpool Seagulls	H	.....	.....
,, 7	Blackpool Seagulls	A	.....	.....
,, 10	League Cup Semi-final			
,, 10	Liverpool Giants	H	.....	.....
,, 13	Oldham Greyhounds	A	.....	.....
,, 17	Manchester Blue Sox	A	.....	.....
,, 24	Manchester Blue Sox	H	.....	.....
,, 31	South Liverpool Caledonians	H	.....	.....
Aug. 7	League Cup Final			
,, 7	Oldham Greyhounds	H	.....	.....
,, 14	Manchester Blue Sox	A	.....	.....
,, 21	Oldham Greyhounds	A	.....	.....
,, 28	Blackpool Seagulls	A	.....	.....

SOUTH LIVERPOOL CALEDONIANS.

Ground—Holly Park, Woolton Road, Garston, Liverpool.
Dressing Room—On Ground.
Route—L.M.S. to Allerton Station; or to any Liverpool City Station, thence No. 8 car to ground.
Colours—Shirt and Trousers: White with Blue piping; Cap: White with Blue piping; Stockings: White with one Blue hoop.
Secretary—R. COWARD, 52 Laurel Road, Liverpool, 7.
Telephone—Bank 4062.

Date.	Opponents.	Gr'd.	Results. For	Agst.
May 8	Manchester Blue Sox	A	.....	.....
,, 15	Rochdale Greys	H	.....	.....
,, 22	Liverpool Giants	A	.....	.....
,, 29	Blackpool Seagulls	H	.....	.....
June 5	Blackpool Seagulls	A	.....	.....
,, 9	Oldham Greyhounds	H	.....	.....
,, 12	League Cup 1st Round			
,, 12	Manchester Blue Sox	H	.....	.....
,, 19	Rochdale Greys	A	.....	.....
,, 26	Rochdale Greys	H	.....	.....
July 3	Manchester Blue Sox	A	.....	.....
,, 10	Oldham Greyhounds	H	.....	.....
,, 10	League Cup Semi-final			
,, 14	Blackpool Seagulls	H	.....	.....
,, 17	Oldham Greyhounds	A	.....	.....
,, 24	Liverpool Giants	H	.....	.....
,, 31	Rochdale Greys	A	.....	.....
Aug. 7	Manchester Blue Sox	H	.....	.....
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,, 14	Liverpool Giants	A	.....	.....
,, 21	Liverpool Giants	H	.....	.....
,, 28	Oldham Greyhounds	A	.....	.....

NORTH OF ENGLAND NATIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUE.

SEASON, 1936.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
ROCHDALE GREYS ...	14	11	1	2	140	77	23
OLDHAM GREYHOUNDS ...	14	10	1	3	144	73	21
LIVERPOOL GIANTS ...	14	8	0	6	141	146	16
MANCHESTER BLUE SOX ...	14	6	2	6	137	121	14
BLACKPOOL SEAGULLS ...	14	6	1	7	96	117	13
ASHTON HAWKS	14	4	3	7	107	163	11
BOLTON SCARLETS ...	14	3	2	9	115	126	8
BELLE VUE TIGERS ...	14	3	0	11	88	145	6

LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP FINAL.

Oldham Greyhounds 16 Manchester Blue Sox 4

ERRATA

Heading P. W. L. D. should read P. W. D. L.

Baseball 1937

MORE NEW PLAYERS FOR SEAGULLS

Big Effort to Establish Game

Blackpool Seagulls baseball club's game with the Liverpool Giants opened this afternoon, at St. Annes-road Stadium.

It was stated that a big effort was being made to establish the game on a sound basis in the town. It is expected that two London players will be signed on for the next match on Wednesday, and that the team will be further strengthened by the signatures of two ice hockey players, who have just arrived in this country from America.

The Stadium ground this afternoon was in excellent condition, but the game was delayed some time owing to the late arrival of the visitors.

Blackpool opened with confident innings, a feature of which was a big hit by Butler, the young English Canadian, that brought in Cronshaw for the Seagulls' first point.

There was no reply in the first innings from Liverpool, T. Craven accounting for two of the Giants' batters at first base, and Lands, making his debut for Blackpool as pitcher, striking out a third.

WENT AHEAD

Blackpool went ahead in the second session, Cotton reaching home after a two base hit by Lands, and Lands and Lord increasing the Seagulls total to four by making full use of another two base hit by Cronshaw.

The Giants reduced the deficit through Carr, but Butler registered another run for Blackpool in the third innings.

Liverpool's third innings was their second without a score, due principally to the excellent pitching of Lands.

Butler was injured in Blackpool's fourth innings, a ball from the Liverpool pitcher striking him with considerable force.

Four more runs in this innings gave Blackpool an 8pts. lead.

Result: Blackpool Seagulls 11, Liverpool Giants 1.

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