

The Dumfries and County Golf Club

Date of Constitution and Name

1. The Club was constituted on the fourteenth day of May, 1912, and its name shall be "The Dumfries and County Golf Club".

Objects of the Club

2. The Club was formed for the purpose of providing a Course or Links for the playing of the game of Golf and suitable Club House accommodation for its members, and for such other objects as may from time to time be approved at a General Meeting of the Club.

3. Application shall be made for registration of the Club in terms of the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 2005 or other statutes of similar effect for the time being in force.

Such alterations shall be made by the Club in the Constitution and Rules and in the arrangements for the management of the Club as may from time to time be necessary to secure such registration.

3A. The Club is a non-profit making organisation. All profits and surpluses will be used to maintain or improve the Club's facilities. No profit or surpluses will be distributed other than to another non-profit making body or to Ordinary members on winding-up or dissolution of the Club.

3B Dumfries and County Golf Club believe that every individual has the right to engage in golf and aspire to reach their potential. Membership is open to all persons irrespective of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, race colour or religion.

Members

4. The number of members will be determined by the Club at a General Meeting.

5. The Club shall consist of the following types of members:-

(a) Ordinary Members - Any member who is over 21 years of age, not being a member under any subsequent category, shall be an Ordinary Member as a Gentleman Member or a Lady Member.

(b) Young Adult Member - Any member who has attained the age of 18 and is less than 28 years of age at 30th September shall be a Young Adult member. They will not have voting rights.
Any Member aged between 21 and 27 may become a full Ordinary Member on payment of the Subscription amount applicable for an Ordinary Member.

(c) Junior Members - Any member who has not yet attained the age of 18 at 30th September shall be a Junior Member.

(d) Country Members - Any member whose regular place of residence is outwith a 50 Mile radius by road of Dumfries may be a Country Member.

Any person admitted as a Country Member shall be subject to the following provisions:-

The General Committee may admit a person over 21 years of age as a Country Member but only if his admission will not take the total number of Country Members to more than seventy. A Country Member admitted may at any time apply for Ordinary Membership or, subject to the requisite residential qualification, Overseas Membership and such application will be treated in all respects as if the applicant were not already a Member of the Club except that any entrance fee paid on admission as a Country Member

shall be calculated as a percentage of the Ordinary Member's entrance fee payable at that time and the sum represented by that percentage of the current Ordinary Member's entrance fee shall be credited to any entrance fee payable on admission as an Ordinary or Overseas Member as the case may be. On admission as a Member in any other category a person who has been a Country Member shall forthwith cease to be a Country Member. If the regular place of residence of a Country Member admitted changes to a place within the former local authority areas of Annandale and Eskdale, Nithsdale and Stewartry he shall immediately notify the Secretary/Club Administrator in writing and, unless in the intervening period he is admitted as a Member in any other category, he shall cease to be a Member of the Club at the end of 30th September next following such change of residence. If at any time the General Committee are prevented from admitting a Country Member by reason of the limitation of numbers imposed by this subparagraph, they may establish and maintain a Waiting List of applicants for Country Membership.

(e) Overseas Members - Any member resident outwith the United Kingdom may be an Overseas Member.

Any person admitted as an Overseas Member shall be subject to the following provisions:-

The General Committee may admit a person over 21 years of age as an Overseas Member. An Overseas Member shall not use the playing facilities of the Club on more than 60 days during any year ending 30th September except upon payment of a fee equivalent to the appropriate visitor's fee or (in an open competition or representative match) as a member of another Golf Club. An Overseas Member admitted may at any time apply for Ordinary Membership or Country Membership and such application will be treated in all respects as if the applicant were not already a Member of the Club except that any entrance fee paid on admission as an Overseas Member shall be calculated as a percentage of the Ordinary Member's entrance fee payable at that time and the sum represented by that percentage of the current Ordinary Member's entrance fee shall be credited to any entrance fee payable on admission as an Ordinary or Country Member as the case may be. On admission as a Member in any other category a person who has been an Overseas Member shall forthwith cease to be an Overseas Member. If the regular place of residence of an Overseas Member admitted changes to a place within the United Kingdom he shall immediately notify the Secretary/Club Administrator in writing and, unless in the intervening period he is admitted as a Member in any other category, he shall cease to be a Member of the Club at the end of 30th September next following such change of residence.

(f) Social Member –

- (i) Any member who has been an Ordinary Member of the Club, and,
- (ii) the spouse or partner of an Ordinary, Life or Honorary Member of the Club may at the discretion of the General Committee, become a Social Member.
- (iii) A Social Member is not allowed to play at the Dumfries and County Golf Club at a concessionary rate.

(g) Honorary Members -

- (i) Honorary Members are Ordinary Members who have been granted Life Membership.
- (ii) Subject to the provisions of paragraph 10, any person whom the General Committee considers merits such membership.

(h) Temporary Members - Any person over 18 who has either -
(i) paid the appropriate green fee;
(ii) played in or officiated at a competition or representative match recognised by the General Committee;
(iii) a contract of service as an employee of the Club or as a professional golfer with the Club.
(see also paragraphs 93 to 97).

(l) Re-entry Member - A former member of the Club may be allowed to re-join without going on the waiting list if the following requirements are met -
i) He/She must have been a previous member who had paid the appropriate entrance fee and who was not in arrears with any Club annual subscription;
(ii) He/She must have resigned due to leaving the area in the course of their employment or for family reasons; or
(iii) He/She had become unable to play golf due to medical reasons, injury or become unable to afford the subscription due to redundancy.

(J) Life Member – A full Ordinary Member of the Club can apply for Life Membership for a figure agreed by the Club at an Annual General Meeting. The number of Life Memberships will be restricted to a maximum of 12 (as Agreed at A.G.M. on 28 November 2012).

6. The obligations, powers, rights and privileges of members shall be defined by the Constitution and Rules for the time being in force.

7. In relation to categories (a) to (e) inclusive a properly completed application form signed by a proposer and a seconder who are Ordinary Members of the Club and countersigned by a General Committee Member or an Office Bearer, shall be displayed on the Club Notice Board for a period of not less than 14 days prior to consideration of the application by the General Committee.

8. No person shall be admitted as a member in categories (a) to (e) inclusive or be transferred to category (f) except after proper application for such admission or transfer has been approved by the General Committee.

9. In the event of any objection to the admission of an applicant having been received in writing or having been intimated by a Member of the General Committee, the General Committee shall proceed to ballot on the proposal. If two or more negative votes are cast, the applicant shall not be admitted to membership or placed on any waiting list that may be in use for the eventual admission of members. The Secretary/Club Administrator shall notify the applicant that his application has not been successful.

10. Recommendations for Honorary Membership shall be made to the General Committee, who may grant such membership subject to subsequent approval at the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.

11. A member may resign from membership of the Club at any time by giving written notice to that effect to the Secretary/Club Administrator, but unless such written notice is received before 31st December the member may be held liable for such annual sums as are due by him for the year in which his resignation is received.

12. Notwithstanding his resignation all liabilities and assets of the Club shall vest in a member jointly with the remaining Ordinary Members for a period of one year after the effective date of that resignation.

Such vesting of heritable and moveable property of the Club, as contained in paragraph 60, shall not apply to a member whose membership has been terminated under the conditions of paragraphs 14 and 15 or has been deemed to be terminated

under any of the provisions of the Club's Constitution and Rules.

13. The Governance Board shall have the power to discipline any Member whose conduct, whether within the Club premises or elsewhere, is in the opinion of the Governance Board injurious to the good name or interests of the Club or renders him/her unfit for Membership.

14. An Appeals Committee will be formed of not fewer than three Ordinary Members to consider any Competent Appeal from a decision by the Governance Board.

15. In the event of gross misconduct the Captain or Vice Captain or any Member of the Governance Board shall have the power to suspend a Member temporarily, until the next meeting of the Governance Board when the matter will be considered in terms of paragraph 13.

Office Bearers

16. The Office-Bearers shall be the President, the Captain, the Vice-Captain and Members of the Governance Board.

17. Recommendations for Office-Bearers from among the Ordinary Members shall be included in the agenda for each Annual General Meeting.

18. The Office-Bearers, duly nominated in terms of paragraph 26 (a) hereafter, shall be elected (by ballot in the event of a plurality of candidates) at each Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until the next ensuing Annual General Meeting when they shall retire but be eligible for re-election if so recommended.

19. In the event of a vacancy occurring among the Office-Bearers during a year, the General Committee may either fill the vacancy from among their own number or summon a Special General Meeting to fill the vacancy. Office-Bearers elected otherwise than at an Annual General Meeting shall hold office until the first succeeding Annual General Meeting but shall then be eligible for re-election if so recommended.

General Committee of Management

20. (a) (with the exception of 20b) Subject to any separate provision made in this Constitution and to the effect of any resolution at a General Meeting of the Club, the management of the Club shall be vested in the General Committee of Management (referred to in the Constitution and the Rules of the Club as 'the General Committee').

20 (b) On 24 July 2015 at a Special Meeting of the Club a motion was passed to form a Governance Board. This Governance Board will control Finance and financial matters, Policy, Staff, Discipline, and the appointments of Professional and Club Caterers.

21. The General Committee shall consist of the **President**, elected for a period of not less than three years, the Captain, the Vice-Captain, the immediate Past Captain and up to [nine members, elected for a period of up to three years] when they shall retire but be eligible for re-election from the Ordinary Members of the Club, and the Ladies' Captain and the Ladies' Vice-Captain shall be ex officio Members of the General Committee.

22. The **President**, shall be Chairman of all meetings of the General Committee. In his absence the Captain shall chair the Meeting.

23. All Members of the General Committee shall be entitled to vote. In the case of an equality of votes at any General Committee or Sub-Committee meeting, the Chairman shall have a casting vote.

24. The retiring Captain will continue to serve on the General Committee for one year only after the completion of his term of office when he shall retire but shall be eligible for re-election as a member of the General Committee.

25. This paragraph was deleted at A.G.M. held on 28th November 2018 – with an amendment to para 21.

26. (a) Nominations for election as Office-Bearers and General Committee Members, proposed and seconded by Ordinary Members of the Club, shall be made in writing to the Secretary/Club Administrator at least twenty-eight days before the date of the Annual General Meeting or such lesser number of days as may be intimated by public advertisement. The Secretary/Club Administrator shall post a list of such nominations in the Clubhouse indicating those who are retiring Members and shall incorporate a similar list in the notice calling the Annual General Meeting.

26. (b) Governance Board Members, up to 4 shall be proposed by the General Committee for approval by the Members at the Annual General Meeting, at least 28 days before the date of the Annual General Meeting. The Governance Board Member shall be elected to hold office for a period of five years when they shall retire but be eligible for re-election.

27. Failing sufficient nominations as provided for in paragraph 26 (a) to fill the number of vacancies, or when the number is only sufficient for that purpose, those persons so nominated shall be declared elected.

28. Failing sufficient nominations as at paragraph 26 (a) to fill the vacancies, further nominations may be made at the Annual General Meeting for the remaining vacancy or vacancies, election being by ballot if necessary.

29. Where the original number of vacancies in the General Committee includes a vacancy or vacancies for a period of less than three years, the period for which a Member is elected shall be determined by the order of precedence resulting from a ballot, with those members receiving the most votes filling the vacancies for the longer terms.

30. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the General Committee during a year, the General Committee shall have power to fill the same from among the Ordinary Members of the Club. A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting when election to fill any vacancy will take place.

31. The number of vacancies on the General Committee may be increased to provide for vacancies created by a Member of the General Committee being elected an Office-Bearer of the Club or by the action taken by the General Committee under paragraph 19 to fill a vacancy for an Office-Bearer which occurs during a year.

32. The General Committee may appoint such Sub-Committees and delegate to them such powers as they may feel appropriate to aid the general running of the Club but will ensure that these will include the following -

- (a) House Sub-Committee
- (b) Course Sub-Committee
- (c) Match Sub-Committee

- (d) Ladies' Committee
- (e) Juniors' Committee.

33. Unless otherwise specified, the Sub-Committees, except in the case of the Ladies' Committee for which separate provision is made in paragraphs 101 to 108, will consist of a Convener and such number of members as the General Committee may from time to time deem appropriate, but subject to the provision in paragraph 106 for two members of the Ladies' Committee to be included in the House Sub-Committee.

34. The General Committee is empowered to co-opt to any Sub-Committee such Ordinary Members, not being elected General Committee Members, whose services they expect to be of benefit to the Club but the Chairman of any such Sub-Committee shall be an elected Member of the General Committee. Such co-opted members shall not be entitled to vote.

35. The Captain and the Vice-Captain shall be "ex-officiis" members of all Sub-Committees.

36. No fewer than eight Ordinary Meetings of the General Committee shall be held in any one year at such times and places as the General Committee may fix.

37. Special Meetings of the General Committee shall be called by the Secretary/Club Administrator at any time on the instructions of the Captain or the Vice-Captain or any two Members of the General Committee.

38. Every meeting of the General Committee shall be called by circular specifying the business to be transacted and issued to the Members at least forty-eight hours prior to the time of the meeting. In case of emergency, the details of which will be stated in the subsequent minutes of the meeting, a meeting may be called on shorter notice.

39. The transactions of each General Committee Meeting will be recorded in the Minutes of the Club.

40. The quorum of the General Committee shall be five members.

41/1 Powers and Responsibilities of the General Committee of Management Governance Board

In relation to the powers conferred on the Governance Board, in terms of para. 20, it is expressly provided that the Governance Board may -

- (a) Purchase or acquire for the Club such moveable property, moveable rights and privileges as they shall consider necessary for the purposes of the Club and sell, transfer or dispose of any such moveable property, rights or privileges as may, in their opinion, have become unnecessary for the purposes of the Club.
- (b) Effect such insurance policies as they may consider and make certain that all heritable property and other essential rights considered necessary are properly covered by insurance.
- (c) Arrange on behalf of the Club for such overdraft or current borrowing facilities as they may consider necessary for the purposes of the Club.
- (d) Borrow from Members of the Club or others, except where Borrowing requires the approval of the General Meeting of the Club in terms of Paragraph 63 on debenture or such other form of receipt as they may determine, such sums as they shall consider necessary for the purposes of the Club and such debentures or other receipts for sums so borrowed may be signed by an Office-Bearer and any one Member of the General Committee.
- (e) Institute, conduct, defend, settle or abandon any legal proceedings;

compromise or settle any claim by or against the Club or any of its officers or servants except in regard to heritable property or rights; but subject to the rights or obligations of an insurance company in terms of any policy of insurance effected by the Club.

(f) Appoint Staff such as they shall consider necessary and suspend or dismiss them at the Governance Board's or Committee's discretion.

41/2 Powers and Responsibilities of the General Committee

(a) Arrange for and approve of such competitions on the Course as shall appear to them proper.

(b) Make such arrangements in regard to the use of the Course and Club House by Members and others as they shall, at any time, consider proper.

(c) Make, vary and rescind Rules and issue instructions with regard to
- (i) the playing of the Game of Golf on the Course of the Club;
- (ii) the use of the Club House and other property of the Club; and
- (iii) generally, the regulation of the affairs of the Club.

42. All Rules made and instructions issued by the General Committee shall be binding on every member of the Club and shall be deemed to have been sufficiently published by a copy being either (1) sent by email/post to each member of the Club or (2) exhibited on a notice board in the general part of the Club House and in each of the Ladies' and Gentlemen's sections of the Club House.

General Meetings

43. The Annual General Meeting and every Special General Meeting shall be called by circular issued to the Ordinary Members by the Secretary/Club Administrator, whom failing the Captain, not less than six days prior to the date of the meeting.

44. A General Meeting of the Ordinary Members of the Club shall be held annually in November at such a place and hour as may be fixed by the General Committee and shall be presided over by the Captain. In the event of any future emergency situations with possible government restrictions on holding Annual General Meetings, that we will allow provision to hold Meetings electronically, i.e. by Zoom or by proxy voting.

45. Only the Ordinary Members of the Club shall be entitled to vote at General Meetings.

46. Thirty Members shall form a quorum at any General Meeting.

47. There shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting for approval an account of the intromissions with the funds of the Club, the Auditor's report thereon and a report by the General Committee, all for the year ending on the 30th day of September preceding.

48. Any competent business relative to the affairs of the Club may be transacted at the Annual General Meeting provided that specific intimation thereof has been given in the notice calling the meeting but this will not preclude the discussion of any other matters affecting the Club which may, thereafter, be referred to the General Committee or Governance Board.

49. An Ordinary Member wishing to submit to the Annual General Meeting a motion or other business relative to the affairs of the Club shall give specific intimation thereof in writing to the Secretary/Club Administrator at least twenty-eight days prior to the date of the meeting or such lesser number of days as may be intimated by public advertisement.

50. The Secretary/Club Administrator shall, in the notice calling the meeting, give intimation of any such motion or other business so notified to him in addition to the other business falling to be transacted at the meeting.

51. It shall be competent for the Chairman at a General Meeting to accept or reject amendments to such motions.

52. The General Committee may at any time instruct the Secretary/Club Administrator, whom failing the Captain, to call a Special General Meeting of the Club.

53. A Special General Meeting shall be called by the Secretary/Club Administrator, whom failing the Captain, as soon as it is practicable after receipt of a requisition to that effect signed by at least fifteen Ordinary Members of the Club.

54. Every Special General Meeting shall be held at such a place and time as may be fixed by the General Committee.

55. The precise nature of the business to be brought before a Special General Meeting shall be stated in the notice calling the meeting and no other business will be transacted or discussed.

56. It shall be competent for the Chairman of the Special General Meeting to accept or reject amendments to the business as intimated.

Trustees

57. All the heritable property of the Club shall be vested in the Office-Bearers of the Club, i.e. the President, the Captain and the Vice-Captain for the time being as Trustees for on behalf of the Club.

58. The Trustees shall be bound and shall have power to sell, dispose of, lease, borrow on the security of, any of the heritable property of the Club except as provided for in paragraph 109 and only in accordance with a resolution of a majority of the Ordinary Members of the Club present and voting at a meeting specially called for the purpose in terms of the Constitution.

59. In respect of sums which the Club may resolve to borrow on the security of the heritable property of the Club, the Trustees shall, notwithstanding the powers devolved upon the General Committee, grant standard securities over such heritable property containing all the usual clauses and binding the Club and its Ordinary Members in respect of the Club's whole assets, both heritable and moveable in repayment of all sums so borrowed.

Property and Liabilities

60. Subject to the Constitution of the Club and the powers and rights thereby vested in the General Committee and the Trustees, the whole heritable and moveable property of the Club shall belong to the Ordinary Members of the Club for the time being equally, but the rights and interests of every such Member shall not be assignable or arrestable and shall, subject to the provisions regarding the cessation of membership contained in paragraph 12, expire on his ceasing to be an Ordinary Member of the Club.

61. The whole of the Ordinary Members of the Club for the time being together with those included in both the provisions made under paragraph 12, shall be liable jointly for the whole debts and liabilities incurred by the Club or by the General Committee or the Trustees on their behalf including (a) all monies borrowed in terms of sub-

section (4) of paragraph 41 and (b) all money borrowed on Standard Security or other forms of Security over the heritable property of the Club.

Acquisition of Heritable Property

62. Except as provided in paragraph 109, on the recommendation of the General Committee, any General Meeting of the Club may, by a majority of the Ordinary Members present and voting, resolve to authorise or confirm the purchase or other acquisition for the Club of any heritable property or the sale or other disposal or lease of any of the heritable property of the Club.

63. On the recommendation of the General Committee, in relation to any transaction in respect of heritable property, any General Meeting of the Club called for the purpose may, by a majority of the Ordinary Members present and voting, resolve to (a) borrow on Standard Security over all or any of the heritable property of the Club or (b) repay the whole or any part of any money borrowed on Standard Security or other form of Security over all or any of the heritable property of the Club.

Subscriptions, Entrance Fees and Other Levies on Members

64. The amount of the annual subscription to be paid by members shall be determined by the Club at a General Meeting.

65. Annual subscriptions shall be payable in respect of each year from the first day of October preceding to the thirtieth day of September succeeding.

66. Members admitted after the first day of July in any year shall only be called upon to pay one-half of the subscription which would otherwise have been payable by them for that year.

67. If, after a reasonable period, a member fails to pay the annual subscription, the member will be notified by the Secretary/Club Administrator and shall not be permitted to exercise the privileges of membership from a date which will be specified in that notification.

68. Members who have failed to pay the annual subscription by the thirty-first day of January in any year or by any other date notified to a member by the General Committee, shall be deemed to have terminated their membership.

69. **This was deleted at the A.G.M on 28th November 2018** . The General Committee will have the right to display the names of such defaulting members whose membership has been so terminated on the Club Notice Board.

70. The Governance Board shall have power to waive payment of all or any part of a member's annual subscription should they consider the circumstances so justify it.

71. Junior and Youth Members who become Youth or Ordinary Members on attaining the appropriate birthday will not commence paying the higher rate of annual subscription until after the thirtieth day of September following their eighteenth or twenty-first birthdays respectively.

72. The amount of any entrance fee to be paid by a member and any appropriate provisions for its payment shall be determined by the Club at a General Meeting.

73. The Club shall determine at a General Meeting the purpose for which the amounts paid by way of entrance fees shall be applied.

74. The Club may make a levy on members of such an amount as may have been approved at a General Meeting.

75. The Club shall determine at a General Meeting the purpose for which the amounts raised by such a levy shall be applied.

Administration and Finance

76. The Governance Board shall be responsible for employing staff to enable the Club to be run in a proper and efficient manner.

77. The Governance Board will designate an appropriate employee as Secretary/Club Administrator of the Club and he/she will be responsible, in addition to such duties as may be allocated to him/her by the, Governance Board, for such duties as are contained in the Constitution and Rules of the Club as the responsibility of the Secretary/Club Administrator.

78. The Governance Board may designate an appropriate employee as Treasurer of the Club and allocate to him / her such duties in connection with the financial administration of the Club's affairs as they deem appropriate. This appointment may be combined with that of the Secretary/Club Administrator

79. The Governance Board will ensure that adequate records are maintained of the Club's business and financial affairs.

80. An account in the name of the Club shall be kept at a Branch at Dumfries of such a Joint Stock Bank as may from time to time be decided by the Governance Board

81. All cheques drawn on behalf of the Club shall be signed by the Secretary/Club Administrator or Treasurer and also by a nominated Member of the Governance Board.

82. No expenditure shall be incurred on behalf of the Club except (a) in terms of a resolution of the Club or (b) by authority of the Governance Board Committee or an authorisation expressly delegated by the Governance Board

83. Payments for the periodical payment of rates, taxes and interest on borrowed money may be made without further authorisation. Payments from the funds of the Club may be made prior to but subsequently reported to a duly constituted meeting of the Governance Board Committee and a list showing the names of the persons to whom such payments are made and the amounts of the payments shall be included in or appended to the minutes of that meeting.

84. Deleted (at A.G.M.) 28th November 2018

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84. At each Annual General Meeting of the Club, a recognised body of Accountants shall be appointed to independently examine the Club's Year end of Accounts ending on the thirtieth day of September succeeding.

Club House and Course

86. The Club House and the Course shall be opened every day, including Sundays, at such times as may be fixed by the General Committee.

87. The General Committee shall make such Rules as they deem appropriate as to the use and conduct of persons using the Club House and Course.

88. Alcoholic liquor shall be sold or supplied in the Club House in accordance with the provisions of the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 2005 or other statutes of similar effect for the time being in force.

89. Alcoholic liquor shall be sold or supplied in the Club House only during such of

the permitted hours as shall be laid down by the General Committee from time to time.

90. Alcoholic liquor may be sold in the Club House to all classes of member, except Junior Members under the age of eighteen, for consumption on the premises by themselves or by their guests who are over eighteen years of age and who have been introduced as such in terms of paragraphs 93 and 97.

91. Every member shall pay whatever charges he may have incurred before leaving the Club House.

92. Subject to the provisions of the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 2005 or other statutes of similar effect and to any other provisions contained elsewhere in the Constitution and Rules of the Club :-

- (a) No member of the General Committee, or Governance Board and no manager or servant employed in the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of alcoholic liquor therein or in the profits arising from such sale.
- (b) No alcoholic liquor shall be sold or supplied to any person under eighteen years of age.
- (c) No alcoholic liquor shall be sold for consumption off the premises except to a member of the Club.

Visitors, Temporary Members and Guests

93. In terms of the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 2005 or other statutes of similar effect, a book or books will be kept within the premises of the Club in which will be recorded the names and addresses of all visitors and guests and the date of each visit.

94. A 'visitor' is any person who visits the Club for the purpose of playing golf and such a person after duly signing the book provided for the issue of green fee tickets and making payment of the appropriate visitor's fee, will be accorded the privileges of temporary membership and allowed to use the Club House and the Course as a Temporary Member.

95. Temporary Membership will be accorded to :-

- (a) Visitors to the Club who have paid the appropriate fees;
- (b) Entrants in competitions or participants including officials, in representative matches and competitions;
- (c) Employees of the Club

but such temporary membership, except for employees of the Club, shall not convey the privilege of introducing a guest or guests and will only apply during :-

- (a) The day or period for which the green fee has been paid;
- (b) The day or days of a competition or representative match in which the visitor is a participant;
- (c) The period of employment or service with the Club.

96. A 'guest' is any person entering the Club House or Course on the invitation and in the company of a member of the Club. A guest shall not be supplied with alcoholic liquor in the Club premises unless on the invitation and in the company of a member and that member shall, upon admission of such guest to the Club premises or immediately upon his being supplied with such liquor, enter his own name and the name and address of the guest in a book which shall be kept for the purpose and which will show the date of each visit.

97. Visitors and guests shall not use the Club House or the Course except under the conditions laid down by the General Committee, always subject to the provisions of the Licensing Laws for the time being in force.

98. Charges and fees for the use of the facilities of the Club shall be specified from time to time by the General Committee.

The Game of Golf

99. The game of Golf shall be played on the Course according to the Rules provided by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews and the local rules adopted by the General Committee, and all players will be expected to conform to the generally accepted etiquette of the Game.

Suggestions

100. Suggestions regarding the affairs of the Club must be made in writing and may either be made in the Suggestion Book kept in the Club House or be addressed to the Captain or to the Secretary/Club Administrator.

Ladies' Committee

101. The Ladies' Committee referred to in paragraph 32 shall be elected from among the Lady Ordinary Members and up to a maximum of one from among the Non-Playing Lady Members (by ballot in the event of a plurality of candidates) at an Annual General Meeting of such members and shall consist of :-

- (a) A Captain
- (b) A Vice-Captain
- (c) An Honorary Secretary who will be appointed from the Lady Ordinary Members or from the elected Ladies' Committee including the Immediate Past Captain.
- (d) Six Members of Ladies' Committee including the Immediate Past Captain.

102. The Captain, the Vice-Captain and the Honorary Secretary shall hold office until the next ensuing Annual General Meeting when they shall retire but be eligible for re-election, or appointment, if so recommended.

103. A retiring Captain will continue to serve on the Ladies' Committee for one year after completion of her term of office when she shall retire but be eligible for re-election.

104. At each Annual General Meeting two members of the Ladies' Committee shall be elected who shall hold office for three years when they will retire but will be eligible for re-election.

105. In the event of a vacancy occurring among the members of the Ladies' Committee during a year, such a vacancy shall be filled by the Ladies' Committee.

106. The Ladies' Committee will appoint two members of their Committee to be members of the House Sub-Committee.

107. The Ladies' Committee shall be responsible for arranging competitions and matches, limited to ladies, to be played on the Course and as may be approved by the General Committee.

108. The Ladies' Committee shall make, subject to the Constitution and Rules of the Club and otherwise to the approval of the General Committee of the Club, such other arrangements as they deem appropriate in the interests of the Lady Members of the Club.

General

109. No motion to -
(a) Dissolve the Club;

- (b) Abandon the present Club House or Course;
- (c) Pursue the formation of a new Course;
- (d) Erect a new Club House;
- (e) Rescind, suspend, alter or add to the Constitution of the Club;
- (f) Adopt a new Constitution of the Club

shall be competent at any General Meeting of the Club unless the precise terms of the motion have been stated in the circular calling such a meeting and no such motion shall be declared carried or receive effect unless it is supported by not less than two-thirds of the Ordinary Members present at the Meeting.

110. No motion to rescind any resolution which has been approved by a General Meeting of the Club within the preceding six months shall be competent.

Interpretation

111. Throughout the foregoing Constitution unless the contrary intention appears (a) words importing the masculine gender shall include females; (b) words in the singular shall include the plural and words in the plural shall include the singular; and (c) the expression 'the Club' shall mean the whole Ordinary Members of the Club for the time being.

112. In any matter regarding the interpretation of the Constitution and the Rules of the Club raised by any Member, a decision as to the interpretation by the General Committee shall be taken as final within the Club.

Latest amendment November 2021