



## SOMERSET COUNTY SENIOR LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

### THE CONSTITUTION

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

**Members** shall be ladies belonging to any Club affiliated to the SLCGA and must be at least 60 years of age. They shall be eligible to join with effect from 1st January of the year in which they become 60 but must have attained the age of 60 before taking part in any Golf Meeting or Match.

**Life Membership** shall be awarded to a maximum of twelve (12) Members; they shall be nominated by the Officers' Committee, having been selected from those Members who have rendered outstanding service to the Association. The nominees shall be elected to Life Membership by the Officers' Committee, following which they will be entitled to attend the Delegates Meetings and AGM but without voting powers.

#### **MANAGEMENT**

The overall management of the Association and day to day organisation shall be the responsibility of the **Officers' Committee**, consisting of: -

- President
- Vice President
- Immediate Past President
- Captain
- Vice Captain
- Immediate Past Captain
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Competition Secretary
- Assistant Competition Secretary (if applicable)
- Membership Secretary
- Committee Member

1. The **Officers' Committee** shall have the power to co-opt any necessary replacement of an Officer during the year.
2. There shall be two Delegates' Meetings each year in April and September. The Officers' Committee shall meet immediately prior to each of the Delegates' Meetings. An additional meeting shall take place in June.
3. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in October not less than twenty-one (21) days after the September Delegates' Meeting
4. The Captain shall chair the Delegates' Meetings. The President shall chair the Annual General Meeting and the meetings of the Officers' Committee.
5. The venue and date for the Annual General Meeting shall be arranged by the President and Officers' Committee and Delegates' Meetings shall be arranged by the Secretary. Details shall be published in the Events Calendar, a copy of which should be made available to each Member of the Association. Details shall also be available on the County Website.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

1. The President shall be elected at the AGM and shall serve for one year.

2. A Vice President should be selected from those Members who have served the Association well and shall be nominated by the Officers' Committee and announced at the AGM. The Vice President shall normally become President.
3. The Captain and Vice Captain shall be elected at the AGM to serve for one year. The Vice Captain to be chosen by the Captain and approved by the Officers' Committee.
4. The Secretary, Treasurer, Competition Secretary, Assistant Competition Secretary and other Committee members shall be elected at the AGM and shall serve for three years but shall be eligible for re- election on a yearly basis thereafter.
5. Should there be more than one nomination for an office a paper ballot will take place. The Committee should attempt to ensure that no Officer holds more than one post but there may be extenuating circumstances where this is not possible.

## FINANCE

1. Annual subscriptions will be reviewed each year at the AGM.
2. It will be the responsibility of each Club Delegate to collect subscriptions from her individual Club Members.
  - i. She should BACS money, together with a copy of the updated Membership List, to the Association's Treasurer before 28<sup>th</sup> February each year.
  - ii. A copy of the updated Membership List should also be sent to the Memberships Secretary by email.
3. Entrance fees for competitions (to include green fees) will be confirmed at the AGM on advice from the Officers' Committee
4. Honoraria (to be reviewed as necessary) are paid to all Officers, excluding President and Vice-President.
5. Travel expenses may be claimed for the following
  - i. All Officers may claim for formal Officers' and Delegates' Meetings.
  - ii. The President and the Captain (or, if she is unable to attend, the Vice Captain) may claim for attendance at Matches, when not playing
  - iii. The President and the Competition Secretary(ies) may claim for attendance at Events, when running the meetings, but not playing.
6. An Invoice from a Club where Competitions and Matches are played is collected and sent to the Treasurer to be paid by BACS.
7. Any gratuities to Club staff are paid from Association funds

## COMPETITIONS

1. There shall be four competitions in the year, venues and dates etc to be arranged by the Competition Secretary as follows: -
  - Spring: Pairs Better Ball.** Stableford - The winners receive the Wattman Trophies.
  - Summer: 3 Ball Bowmaker** – The winners receive the Lumley-Frank Trophies
  - Autumn: Team Competition (3 in a team)** – The winners receiving the Autumn Meeting trophies.
2. In each of these three competitions, the number receiving vouchers and their value, will be dependent on the number of entries in each event.
3. **The Barber Shield:** - shall be awarded to the Club with the best results from these three Competitions.
  - i. All ladies within a team must have been from the same Club to be awarded the points.
  - ii. The winning Club is responsible for having the Shield engraved then invoicing the Treasurer
4. **October: 9 hole 3 Ball Bowmaker, Putting Competition & AGM**
  - i. The Prizes will be chosen by the President according to the number of entries.
  - ii. The Wilson Cup, The Fear Hill Trophy and the Vice-President's Globe will be presented to Division 1, Division 2 and Division 3 winners of the putting competition respectively.

- iii. Details of the Golf Competitions shall be published in the Events Calendar.
5. **The Barber Shield** and the Trophies for all the above competitions will be presented immediately following the AGM.
6. **Delegates** of trophy winners to be asked to return the trophies to **the September Delegates Meeting**.

### **MATCHES**

1. During the course of a year, a match will be played against each of the following Counties, alternating between a 'home' and an 'away' venue from year to year: -  
**Cornwall, Devon, Dorset and Somerset** play annually for the **SW Inter-Counties Shield** which is presented at **SW Vets AGM**. Details of these are in **SW Vets Constitution** and can be found on the Seniors' pages on website.
2. The Captain shall be responsible for liaison with the Captains of each of the above Counties and arranging venues within Somerset for "home" matches.
3. The Captain shall also be responsible for advising all Clubs within the Association of the details pertaining to each match and selecting teams of seven pairs, each pair consisting of one Division 1 player and one Division 2 player in accordance with the "**Duties of the Captain**".
4. Team uniform consisting of navy trousers, skirt or shorts with white polo shirt, white or green sleeveless sweater, or white V-neck long sleeve sweater, or white or navy fleece (all with SCSLGA logo) should be worn.
5. Matches are followed by a meal (cost included within the Match Fee) and players are expected to attend.

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