# LADIES ASSOCIATION OF ST. JOHNS GOLF CLUB CONSTITUTION

## Official Play Day – Thursday Official 9/18 hole Play Day – Tuesday

## ARTICLE I: Name of the Organization and Season of Play

#### Section 1: Ladies Association of St. Johns Golf Club

The name of the organization is Ladies Association of St. Johns Golf Club (Association).

#### Section 2: Association Season

The Association season is September 1 through August 31, with no formal Association play from June 1 through August 31.

## **ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES**

The Association is an organization dedicated to the growth and development of golf for Ladies at St. Johns Golf Club; to familiarize members with the rules, etiquette and good sportsmanship of the game of golf as defined by the U.S.G.A; and, to foster a spirit of camaraderie and fun.

## **ARTICLE III: Membership**

Membership in the Association shall be open to women golfers eighteen (18) years of age or over who satisfy requirements for play at St. Johns Golf Club and whose application and dues have been accepted by the Treasurer.

## **ARTICLE IV: Officers and Duties Section 1: Officers**

The Officers of this Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Tournament Chairman.

## Section 2: Duties

**President:** The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and General Meetings of the Association; be responsible for the general management of the affairs of the Association; appoint Committee Chairmen and act as ex-officio member of all Committees, except for the Nominating Committee; and arrange for a yearly audit of Association Financial Records.

**Vice President:** The Vice President shall assist the President in the execution of her office; assume the duties of President in the event of her absence or inability to act; and serve as Chairman of the Membership Committee, which includes maintaining an up-to-date list of the Members.

**Secretary:** The Secretary shall keep the records of all meetings of the Association and Board of Directors, send out all necessary notices, and have charge of all correspondence of the Association.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall keep a full account of all receipts and disbursements of the Organization; present a written report of the Association's finances at all Board of Directors Meetings and General Meetings, and work with members of the Board of Directors to develop a yearly budget to be presented at the first General Meeting of the new fiscal year.

**Tournament Chairman:** The Tournament Chairman shall arrange weekly play days, pairings, and post results; set all dates for Special Tournaments with the approval of the Club Pro; determine disbursement of weekly prizes; work with the Executive Committee of elected officers to select prizes for Special Tournaments; and be responsible for publicity and posting results. The Tournament Chairman shall select a Co-Chairman, approved by the Executive Committee, to assist in her duties.

# **ARTICLE V: Board of Directors and Executive Committee**

## Section 1: Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Chairman and Co-Chairman, and any appointed Committee Chairmen deemed necessary by the President and, for a period of one year, the Immediate Past President.

## Section 2: Executive Committee

There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Tournament Chairman to act in an advisory capacity for special concerns. The Executive Committee shall have the power to waive any provisions of this constitution as circumstances warrant.

# **ARTICLE VI: Committees**

The following standing committee chairs shall be appointed by the President: Handicap, Rules, and Social, and any others the President feels necessary for the operation of the Association.

# **ARTICLE VII: Elections**

## Section 1: Nomination

In April the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee Chairman. The Nominating Chairman shall appoint two (2) additional Members. The Nominating Committee shall secure one (1) or more nominee for each elected office. Elections will be held at the General Meeting at the end of the golf season. The proposed slate of Officers will be posted on the bulletin board two (2) weeks prior to the General Meeting. Further nominations may be made from the floor with the consent of the person so nominated. Election shall be by majority vote of all Members attending.

## Section 2: Office Terms

The term of office for all elected officers shall be for two (2) Association years, September 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>. An elected office may be held no longer than two (2) consecutive terms, unless extenuating circumstances prevail.

## Section 3: Vacancies

If a vacancy occurs in the Office of President, the Vice President shall assume the office of President. All vacancies among other officers may be appointed for the unexpired term by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE VIII: Meetings and Quorum Section 1: General Membership Meetings

General Meetings of the Association shall be held on a Thursday following play, as deemed necessary by the President and Board of Directors. Notice of any meeting shall be posted on the bulletin board one week prior to the meeting.

## Section 2: Quorum

A quorum for General Membership Meetings shall be one-fifth (1/5) of the current paid Membership. Any Member is allowed to vote by proxy for any and all Association business.

## Section 3: Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall hold meetings as deemed necessary.

# Section 4: Quorum for Board of Directors Meetings

A quorum for Board of Directors Meetings shall be one-half (1/2) of the Board Members.

## Section 5: Order of Business

The order of business shall be as follows: reading of the minutes, Treasurer's report, reading of correspondence, President's report, committee reports, old business, new business, and adjournment.

## Section 6: Parliamentarian

The President, at her option, may appoint a Parliamentarian. The Parliamentarian shall advise the President concerning the rules for the conduct of business. She shall resolve the propriety of the procedure of all meetings.

## Section 7: Roberts Rules of Order

Roberts Rules of Order Revised shall govern the procedure of all meetings.

## ARTICLE IX: Finance

Dues, as set by the Board of Directors and approved by the Membership, are payable on or before the first day of the fiscal year.

## ARTICLE X: Handicap Section 1: New Member

A golfer wishing to join the Association must present either documentation of current GHIN status or any combination of 18 hole or 9 hole unadjusted and attested scores totaling 54 holes of play at any USGA rated course to establish a handicap. The Handicap Chairman will establish a Handicap for the new Member in compliance with U.S.G.A. rules for handicapping.

## Section 2: Continuing Members

Upon payment of dues, the Member becomes part of the Computer Handicap System, and a portion of her dues is payment for this service.

# **ARTICLE XI: Standing Rules for Play**

## Section 1: Tournament Play

Member/Member, the Association Championship, and special awards are events for which specific prizes are awarded. In order to qualify, a Participating Member must have eight (8) Weekly Play Day scores during the regular season, beginning with Opening Day.

## Section 2: Weekly Play Days

To play in weekly Play Days and be eligible for weekly prizes, a player must have an established Handicap as outlined in Article XI, Section 1, with dues paid in full. For the purpose of keeping Handicaps current and correct, all attested eighteen-hole (18) scores must be posted in accordance with the procedure set down by the Handicap Chairman. On Thursday Play Days, a player's maximum course Handicap allowance is 38.

## Section 3: Guests

A guest may participate in weekly Play Days a total of two (2) times per Association year, if space is available. Membership in the Association is mandatory thereafter.

## **ARTICLE XII: Amendments**

Any and all parts of the Constitution of the Association may be amended by a Majority Vote of the Members at a General Meeting where a quorum has been established. A written notice of the proposed Amendment must be posted on the Bulletin Board, and by e-mail, at least two weeks prior to the General Meeting.

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