## COULSDON COURT LADIES' GOLF CLUB

## **CONSTITUTION & RULES OF MEMBERSHIP**

- The Club shall be administered by a Committee, consisting of three/five Officers, four Committee members plus the handicap secretary or her representative plus one other who will be responsible to act upon and monitor England Golf directives and information: the officers being Captain, Vice-Captain\*\*, Secretary, Treasurer and Immediate Past Captain\*\*. (If these positions can be filled.) All members of the Club Committee shall have voting rights and a quorum shall consist of five members, one of whom must be an Officer. The Club Committee shall be elected by Club Members, at the Annual General Meeting of the Club held in November each year. The Treasurer's Balance Sheet shall be presented at the Annual General Meeting together with any other business.
- 2. All officers of the club will retire annually but are eligible for re-election. In the event of a New Captain the retiring Captain will remain on the committee as Immediate Past Captain for one year and then retire if they wish to do so or take on another Committee role. Committee members can also retire or be re-elected each year. They may also continue on the committee, if elected, as an officer. It is not a pre-requisite to have served on the committee either in the past or immediately prior to taking office.
- 3. Nominations for Officers and Committee members must be made fourteen days before the date of the Annual General Meeting. The consent of those Candidates so nominated first having been obtained. Those unable to attend the Annual General Meeting may vote by Proxy for Officers and Committee members standing for election.
- 4. Should more than one person stand for any Office, the unsuccessful candidate(s) may stand for Committee.
- 5. Should a Member of the Committee resign before the end of the year, any previous member of the Committee may be co-opted for the remainder of the year.
- 6. The Committee shall meet at least once a month during the Club year, which shall be from Annual General Meeting to Annual General Meeting.
- 7. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened at the written request of at least fifteen members, such request to state the business for which the meeting is convened. In the event of such request, fourteen days notice of the date of the meeting must be given to the members.
- 8. The Annual Subscriptions for Full or Associate membership shall be payable on the day of the Annual General Meeting each year. The Subscription for a new member joining after 1st November will be on a pro rata basis. After 30th September full subscription to be paid which will carry over to November the following year. The Entrance Fee £100.00, (last revised with effect from November 1998), is suspended until further notice.
- 9. The suspended joining fee, annual subscription and pro-rata subscription, for those joining after 1<sup>st</sup> November, are subject to change or cancellation by the committee depending on the financial status of the club at the time.

## 10. Honorary Members:-

Honorary Membership is for those members who have given long and loyal service to the Club: usually those who have held office, (i.e. Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary, Treasurer). Consideration may be given to those who meet the above criteria but have retired or moved away from the district, or because of increasing age or personal illness are prevented from playing golf regularly. Honorary Membership is given at the discretion of the Committee.

## 11. Associate and Social Members:-

**Associate Membership** is for those members who have to move from the district or County or have commitments allowing them only limited time to participate in the Club games and events. It is also for those members who have to leave the club for domestic reasons or personal illness but still wish to occasionally play and keep their connection with the club. Members who wish to become Associate Members must apply to the Committee in writing for their change of membership to be considered.

- a) Associate Members are not eligible for Medal Competitions or those events where there is a Club Trophy or when the winner/winners of a competition go forward to represent the Club in a Regional Event. However, if not playing they may attend the Christmas Lunch, Captain's Day lunch, Spring and Autumn Meeting meals, Invitation Day meal and can play in the following:-
- b)
  Non-Trophy Stablefords
  Club Outing\*
  Texas Scramble
  Holly & Ivy\*
  Invitation Day with an invited guest
  Spring & Autumn Meetings \*
  \* Not eligible for the trophy but may take any other prize.
- c) The Annual Subscription for Assoc. membership will be £25 per year. Last reviewed: AGM November 2023

**Social Membership** is for members who are no longer able to play golf but wish to remain in contact enjoying any social events held during the year. Rather than sever their relationship, the Committee will look favourably on any request for Social Membership and a nominal fee of £ 10-00per year will be payable.