

Ufford Park Golf Club

Constitution

as at 31st March 2008

I. GENERAL

1. The Club shall be called the “Ufford Park Golf Club” and it shall be affiliated to the Suffolk Golf Union
2. The objectives of the Club shall be to promote golfing activities including, but not limited to, competitions, golf matches and social pursuits at the Ufford Park Golf Course (the course).
3. The Course is that which is owned, managed and operated by Ufford Park Limited (the proprietor).
4. The proprietor shall have the final rights of control over all aspects of the playing of golf at the course, except for those that which are vested as being the responsibility of the Club Committee.
5. The proprietor shall have full and total responsibility for the preparation, maintenance and up keep of the Course and for the employment of staff and the purchase and acquisition of equipment and materials.
6. The proprietor shall have the right to dissolve the Club at any time that he alone shall deem appropriate such dissolution shall be in accordance with English Law in respect of any liabilities to Members.
6. The Committee shall be responsible for the organisation and administration of all competitions, matches and golf activities other than those organised by the Ladies Section.
7. The Committee shall be responsible for the setting of competition entrance fees etc. and for the disposition of such funds generated.
8. The Committee shall be responsible for organising Club social events.
9. The Committee shall consult with the Proprietor and will represent the membership in all matters relating to the activities of the Club.
10. The Committee will liaise with the Proprietor in respect of disciplinary matters affecting Club Members.
11. Minutes of Committee Meetings shall be taken by the Secretary, or a duly appointed Minutes Secretary, and published by the Secretary; or, in absence of the above by some other Committee Member present.

V.

GENERAL MEETINGS

1. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held in March of each year.
2. The notice convening the AGM shall be posted on the Club Notice Board at least twenty one days prior to the date of the meeting.
3. At the time of posting the notice of the meeting, members shall be invited to offer themselves for election to the Committee.
4. At the AGM, the names of members nominated as Club Captain, Vice Captain, Treasurer and Handicap Secretary for the succeeding year will all be advised.
5. At the AGM, the election of members to the committee will take place.
6. At the AGM, the retiring Club Captain will give a report on the activities of the Club during the preceding year.
7. An Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) may be called at any time giving fourteen days posted notice, by the Committee or the Proprietor for any special purpose that it is deemed to be proper
8. Any Resolution being brought to either an AGM or EGM shall be posted to the member's notice board at least fourteen days prior to the date of the meeting.

VI.

LADIES' SECTION

1. The Lady members of the Club shall organise a Ladies Section Committee for the organisation and administration of handicaps and for the management of competitions and golf activities in accordance with the rules of the English Ladies Golf Union and other bodies concerned with Ladies Golf.
2. The Captain of the ladies' Section shall be an officer of the Club and an ex-officio member of the committee.

VII.

GOVERNING BODIES

1. The Club shall at all times abide by the rules of the English Golf Union, the Suffolk Golf Union and the English Ladies Golf Union as appropriate.
2. The playing of golf by the Club shall be in accordance with the rules of Golf of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews (R and A).
3. Local rules may from time to time be published by the Committee for special purposes or in response to local conditions provided that they are fully consistent with the requirements of the R and A.

II. MEMBERSHIP

1. The Membership of the Club shall consist of 7-Day Members, 5-Day Members, Junior Members, Associate Members and any other classes of membership as may be initiated from time to time.
2. The subscription rates for the different classes of membership shall be such as may be set by the proprietor from time to time. A levy is to be paid annually, on or by 1st January to the Golf Club, by all Adult Members of the Golf Club. The amount of this levy is determined each year at the Club A.G.M.
3. Only 7-Day and 5-Day Members shall be entitled to vote at Club Annual General Meetings or stand for election as Committee Members.
4. There shall be no differentiation in the membership rights and responsibilities of male and female members.

III. THE OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

The officers of the Club shall consist of the Club Captain, the Captain of the Ladies' Section, the Treasurer, the Handicap Secretary, the Junior Organiser, the Secretary and a representative designated by the proprietor.

IV. THE CLUB COMMITTEE

1. The Club Committee (the Committee) shall consist of the Officers of the club as well as, the immediate past Captain, the Vice Captain, the Club Professional, Seniors captain and two elected Club Members. The two non ex officio members shall be 7-Day or 5-Day Members and shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. In the event of a vacancy occurring for an elected member during the course of a golf year, then the Committee shall be entitled to fill the vacancy by appointment from the membership.
2. The Committee shall meet from time to time but in any event not less than six times in any year.
3. At least three members of the Committee shall be required to be present at any meeting to constitute a quorum.
4. At meetings of the Committee, the Club Captain will act as Chairman. In the absence of the Club Captain, another member will be elected Chair.
5. The Committee shall constitute the Handicap Committee of the Club in accordance with the rules of the Council of national Golf Unions, through its designated Handicap Sub-Committee.