



CONSTITUTION FOR BOLDMERE GOLF CLUB (2024)

1 NAME:

The name of the Club is Boldmere Golf Club (“The Club”)

2 OBJECTS:

The objects of the Club are to promote and provide for a Golf Club, to encourage the playing of golf in the spirit of, and etiquette of the game, management of handicaps, promoting competitions and other amenities such as the Committee may decide is in accord with the wishes of the members at the Municipal Golf Course at Monmouth Drive, Sutton Coldfield.

3 MEMBERSHIP:

- (a) Full membership of the Club is open to all persons who have attained the age of 18 years or more.
- (b) There must be, lodged with the Secretary of the Club a written nomination of every person who wishes to become a member, stating the name and address of such person signed by the prospective members.
- (c) Every person nominated shall become a member if they are accepted as such by the Committee.
- (d) The Secretary shall keep a Register of Members using Handicap master and enter in it the names and addresses of all persons who have become Members.
- (e) A Member shall cease to be a Member if they:
 - (i) give the Secretary written notice of resignation of their membership.
 - (ii) fail to pay their annual subscription within 3 months after due date for payment.
 - (iii) have committed some act, or been guilty of behaviour inconsistent with Membership of the Club, and the Committee resolves by a majority of three quarters to remove them from the Membership.

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4 SUBSCRIPTIONS:

- (a) Annual subscriptions, which are due on the 1st of October, must be paid by October 31st. Failure to do so may prohibit entry to all competitions. If subscriptions are not paid by at the latest by the 31st of December that year, then membership will become void, except in exceptional circumstances, at the discretion of the Executive Committee.
- (b) New Members: (To apply to new members only). All New Members must pay the full annual membership fee see (c). These are detailed in the latest guidance notes included with the application form. Committee will agree any discounts for new members after April each year.
- (c) Membership fees for new and existing members shall be reviewed by the committee annually

5 OFFICERS:

The Officers of the Club shall be President (Also Chairperson of the Executive), Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, Competition Secretary, Alliance Captain and 17 – 24 Captain, together with up to six other members and will form the Club Executive. See section 9

6 ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

- (a) **President:** The President shall be nominated by the Executive and approved by the Members at each Annual General Meeting.
- (b) **Captain:** The Club captain elect will be formally approved by the executive, and is responsible for appointing the Vice-Captain
- (c) **Vice-Captain:** The Vice-Captain shall be the Captain Elect, and shall be nominated by the Captain and approved by the Executive. They shall serve for a period of one year.
- (d) **Secretary:** The Secretary shall be nominated and seconded by the Members and a vote of approval taken at the Annual General Meeting.
- (e) **Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall be nominated and seconded by the Members and a vote of approval taken at the Annual General Meeting.

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- (f) **Competition Secretary:** The Competition Secretary shall be nominated and seconded by Members and a vote of approval at the Annual General Meeting.

7 ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE:

Members of the Executive shall be elected to serve for a period of three years. At least two members shall be elected annually, at the Annual General Meeting.

The Executive Members shall be nominated and seconded by the Club Members and approved at the Annual General Meeting, in the event of more nominations being received than there are vacancies on the Executive a vote will be taken at the Annual General Meeting.

8 NOMINATIONS:

A nomination list for all Officers and Executive Members shall be exhibited in the Club House for a minimum of fourteen days and nominations will close seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

9 THE CLUB EXECUTIVE:

The Executive shall comprise all officers of the Club and elected Members. The Executive body shall be responsible for the general Club policy and its financial affairs (within the limits as specified in the Club Constitution) and also appoint sub-committees. All Members of the Executive shall have equal voting rights. In the event of a deadlock, the Chairperson should use their casting vote.

10 SUB-COMMITTEES

- a) A Handicap Committee shall consist of, three elected Members of the Executive, of whom one shall be nominated Chairperson by the Handicap Committee. A quorum of any meeting shall be three members of whom the Chairperson shall be counted as one. All members have equal voting rights. The duty of the Committee shall be to run all competitions, manage and revise handicaps in accordance with the rules of the English Golf Union.
- b) Any Sub Committee shall carry out their duties as directed by the Executive body.
- c) Committees have the right to co-opt any Club Member onto the Committee for any purpose.

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11 THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held within 2 calendar months of the end of the financial year, (being the 30th September) and a quorum will alter to reflect the membership as below:
- Up to a membership of 100 a quorum will be 10 members, excluding those officers elected by the AGM.
 - Membership over 101 will be pro rata

If a quorum of members is not met then the executive committee can ratify proposals made at the AGM to avoid arranging another AGM. The committee will notify members of any decisions taken.

- b) The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:
- i) To receive the Secretary's Report of the Club during the preceding year.
 - ii) To receive and consider the audited and signed accounts of the Club for the preceding year and the Treasurers report on the financial position of the Club.
 - iii) To elect officers and their committee.
 - iv) To agree the financial processes of the club for that year.
 - v) To agree subscription policy for the current season.

12 A SPECIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING

A special Executive Meeting must be called on the signed request of five members within a period of seven days, with reason stated.

13 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened at any time upon either, a resolution or resolutions proposed. The requisition must be signed by 10 members and emailed to the Secretary. If the Secretary does not give notice of the requested meeting on, or before the expiry of 14 days, any, or all of the 20 members may give notice of the meeting.

The business which may be conducted at an Extraordinary General Meeting may be any one or more of: -

- a) Remove all or any of the Officers, Committee members and auditors of the club.
- b) Significant alterations to the constitution.

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14 PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL AND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

- a) Not less than 14 days prior notice in writing, setting out the resolution to be proposed at the meeting, shall be sent to every member.
- b) Resolutions at Annual General Meetings shall be passed by a simple majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the Members present at the meeting.
- c) Resolutions at Extraordinary General Meetings shall be passed by a majority of three quarters of the votes entitled to be cast by the Members present at the meeting.
- d) In the event of equality in voting at the Annual General Meeting the Chairperson (or acting Chairperson)

15 ACCOUNTS INCOME AND PROPERTY

- a) The financial year of the Club shall end on the 30th September in every year to which day the accounts shall be balanced and drawn.
- b) Monthly financial statements shall be presented to the committee by the Treasurer, another member of the committee shall be appointed by the Committee to carry out a regular review of the financial records.
- c) As soon as is practicable, after the end of the financial year, there shall be prepared a statement of the assets and liabilities of the Club during that year, this statement shall be audited by the committee appointed auditor not less than 21 days before the Annual General Meeting.
- d) The audited statement of accounts shall be agreed by the Executive and made available to every Member from the date of the notice convening the Annual General Meeting.
- e) During the notice period the accounts and detailed financial records shall be available for inspection by members.
- f) The Auditor shall be a professional accountant, or suitably experienced. This person or organisation shall be agreed by the committee for each financial year.
- g) All monies received by the Club shall be paid into an account in the same name of the Club at bankers appointed by Committee. Cheques and other instruments drawn on and directions to the bankers shall be signed by one of the authorised signatories.
- h) No action involving expenditure of £50 or more, in the name of or on behalf of the Club shall be taken and no undertakings which would commit the Club to expenditure or other liability shall be made without the prior authority of a resolution of the Committee.

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16 INDEMNITY

The members of the committee shall not be liable (otherwise than as members) for any loss suffered by the Club as a result of the discharge of their respective duties on its behalf. They shall be entitled to an indemnity out of the assets of the club for all expenses and liabilities incurred by them in the discharge of their respective duties.

Except such loss as arises from their respective wilful default.

17 HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

The executive shall have the power to nominate persons for Honorary Life Membership, which shall be submitted for approval to the Members at a General Meeting

18 JUNIORS

A Junior is any boy or girl who is 17 years old or younger as of the 30th September.

All Junior Members of the Club are eligible to compete in any Club event and are subject to the same conditions as Senior Members of Boldmere Golf Club (i.e. Medal Tees, Max handicap restrictions)

19 GENERAL

The executive shall have the power to deal with any exceptional or urgent circumstances not governed by these rules.