#### SUN LAKES COTTONWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

#### LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

Established August 1, 1980

# **STANDING RULES**

Standing rules are those governing the general ongoing operations of the Association. These rules are adopted formally and documented as set policy to guarantee and provide uniformity and continuity for the benefit of the membership. These Standing Rules may be adopted, changed, or repealed at any time by the Board of Directors.

### **GENERAL**

Requirements for new members shall be a valid USGA Handicap or (5) 18-hole scores from the Cottonwood Golf Course. Maximum allowable handicap for competition shall be 40. Immediately upon joining CLGA a new member is entitled to participate in play day competition including major tournaments.

- 1. Regular play day is any Thursday that a major tournament or special event is not in progress. Tee times and/or shotguns to be determined by the pro shop. Play Day groups will generally be a mix of players of all handicaps. Payouts are to be made within each flight, relative to the number of players in each group that day.
- 2. Regular play will consist of 18 holes and played from the Gold Tees.
- 3. Sign in time at the pro shop is 30 minutes before tee time. The tournament chairperson and/or pro shop shall decide if the play day will be cancelled.
- 4. The pro shop has control of the course at all times and the pro shop's instructions must be followed.
- 5. League play shall be for 7 months from November 1 to May 31 each year. League games (with associated payouts) shall be scheduled during that period. Tee times (no organized games/payouts) shall be available to league members from June 1 to October 21, via Chelsea/Event Request.

# PLAY DAY SIGNUP

- 4a. The Chelsea system will be used for Play Day signup unless a notice to the contrary is posted under Calendar of Events on the website.
- 4b. Signup for luncheon meeting days will be on the Website, not on Chelsea.

Members must have their money in the box by the date specified on the posted luncheon notice. Members writing checks on a Canadian Bank for luncheons need to pay in cash. Those playing golf, either on luncheon days or in tournaments, do not need to sign up for lunch in order to

participate. Luncheon fees will not be reimbursed once the signup sheet has been removed or deactivated.

- 4c. Pairings will be posted on Chelsea when completed by the pro shop.
- 4d. Cancellations & Additions
- 4d. 1 If play day signup was done through Chelsea and the draw has not yet been done, cancellation shall be done by the member via Chelsea. If play day sign-up was done via an electronic form on the CLGA website, member shall notify the tournament chairperson to remove her name. If the Chelsea draw has been done, cancellation shall be via a call to the pro shop (480-895-9449).
- 4d. 2 If a member must cancel on play day morning the pro shop is to be called at least 1 hour before the scheduled tee time. Abuses to the cancellation policy will be addressed on an individual basis as follows: Ineligibility to play in following weeks.
  - 4d. 3 After the pairings are posted, add-ons will be put on stand-by.
- 5. A guest or non-member who has expressed an interest in joining the league is welcome to play on play day except when a special event is planned for the membership. Each member may bring a guest twice during the league year. Prior notice to the tournament chairperson and pro shop is required. The guest will not be able to participate in the play of the day for prize money. Guest green fees will apply.
- 6. If a tournament is flighted, the number of flights will be determined by the number of entries.
- 7. In individual events where holes are not used for the final play day score, i.e., Best Nine, a player may pick up on the holes NOT required in the day's game and use the World Handicap System (WHS) scores for handicap purposes.
- 8. In team competitive play (Best Ball of foursome, etc.) when a player cannot assist her team she may pick-up and use World Handicap System for her posting score on that hole.

#### **WEEKLY TOURNAMENTS**

- 1. Any member in good standing may participate in weekly play day games.
- 2. Maximum allowable handicap for competition shall be 40.
- 3. A member not having an established USGA handicap is entitled to compete with a provisional handicap based on a minimum of three (3) 18-hole scores from the Cottonwood golf course.
- 4. When possible, all new members will be assigned to play in a group that will include the Membership Chairperson or the new member's Big Sister for her first day of play in the Association.
- 5. Regular play day winnings are determined by the Tournament Chairperson according to the annual budget.

### **MAJOR TOURNAMENTS**

If an alternate tournament is played on a Major Tournament day no payouts will be made.

Process to determine winners in event of ties:

- (1) Overall winner of the major tournaments will be decided by a hole by hole play-off. The starting hole to be determined by the Pro Shop based on the activity on the course for that day.
- (2) Flight winners will be determined by matching scorecards (also known as a scorecard Countback). See below "Matching Scorecards" for details.

### **REGULAR LEAGUE PLAY**

Flight/Game winner will be determined by matching scorecards (also known as a scorecard Count-back). See below "Matching Scorecards" for details.

### **SUMMER LEAGUE PLAY**

Sign-up for league play in the summer is on Chelsea under Event. Pairings will be made by the Pro Shop in groups of three. However, there will not be organized games or pay-outs. Prospective league members, who will commit to joining the league in the fall, may play with the league between the months of June and October for a fee of \$20.00, or at a prorated fee of \$5.00 per month.

### MATCHING SCORECARDS

Description: The winner is determined based on the best score for the last round. If the tying players have the same score for the last round or if the competition consisted of a single round determine the winner by the following process:

- The lowest back 9 hole total (Holes 10-18)
- If there is still a tie, the lowest last six hole total (Holes 13-18)
- If there is still a tie, the lowest last three holes (Holes 16-18)
- If there is still a tie, the lowest last hole (Hole 18)
- If there is still a tie, the above process will be repeated using the front nine scores.

If the process does not result in a winner the result will end in a tie.

For additional considerations, look to the source: USGA Rules of Golf, Committee Procedures – section 5A (6) – Setting the terms of the competition – Matching Scorecards.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

All members and guests must have a USGA approved handicap to participate in any special event of the association.

### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

- 1. Hole-in-One Award Eligibility
  - 1a. All members automatically belong to the "Hole-in-One" event.
- 1b. A member will be awarded \$50.00 for a hole-in-one on Cottonwood golf course on any designated play day when 18 holes are played, provided the scorecard is dated, attested and signed by at least (2) two playing partners who witnessed the shot. The scorecard must be returned to the pro shop and a copy given to the treasurer.

#### 2. Most Improved Golfer

2a. the most improved golfer designated by AGA will be presented an award at the November Luncheon for the preceding year.

2b. to be eligible for this award a member must have belonged to the association for all of the previous year and have participated in at least six (6) play day events.

#### 3. Birdies

1a. A Birdie Pot will be available each Play Day. Members may contribute \$1.00 before play to be eligible for the Birdie Pot that day. The Pro Shop will record the birdies after the round and awards will be presented at General Membership meetings.

## **SCORE CARDS**

1. See the CLGA website (clga.website) for score card completion. Go to Menu/Information/Scorecard Management on how to complete your score card and Captain's Score Card responsibilities.

#### **COMMITTEES**

#### 1. Tournament

1. In concert with the Pro Shop, the Tournament Committee will plan and coordinate all weekly events and major tournaments, with the exception of special events. The committee will also be responsible to ensure that those who enter Major Tournaments are qualified to play in them.

# 2. Handicap

The Handicap Chair will follow all handicap requirements issued each year by the USGA, AGA and handicap reporting system as they apply to members of the association.

### 3. Rules

The Rules Chair will rule on all disputes and complaints and interpret the "Rules of Golf" as adopted by the USGA, and the local rules of the club as they apply to members of the association. She shall use the resources of club professionals, the AGA and the USGA to resolve disputes and complaints. She shall keep the membership informed of rules changes and updates.

### 4. Membership

The Membership Chair will promote membership in the Association and keep accurate member records.

### 5. Bylaws and Standing Rules

The By-Laws Committee and Standing Rules Committee will consist of at least three (3) members, appointed by the President. It shall review the By-Laws and Standing Rules as needed and submit any proposals to the Board of Directors for review and action.

#### 6. Publicity

The Publicity Chair will prepare articles for publication in the Splash and on the CLGA website, and maintain a record of activities of the Association.

#### 7. Birdies

The Birdies Chair will, in conjunction with the Pro Shop and the Handicap Chair, maintain log sheets for Birdie winners and present awards during luncheon meetings.

#### 8. Website

The Webmaster will maintain overall quality and content of CLGA website, and provide technical expertise to users as necessary.

### 9. 50/50 Raffle

The 50/50 Raffle Chair will collect and distribute money on play days when 50/50 raffles are conducted. The disbursement of funds will be according to a vote of the Board of Directors.

## 10. Representatives to AGA, CAGD, and HOA Golf Committee

These Chairpersons will represent CLGA to these organizations and keep members informed as needed.

# 11. Ringers

The Ringers Chair will maintain a ringer spreadsheet throughout the year, and disburse prizes at the first General Membership meeting each league year.

# 12. Hospitality

The Hospitality Chair will communicate with the membership regarding significant events in the lives of our members.

# 13. Members at Large

The Member at Large will be the voice of the general membership, bringing forth concerns, suggestions and general feedback from CLGA's members. Additionally, she will be available to assist other member of the Board and Chair Persons, executing ad hoc assignments as they arise. This position will have a term of 2 years.

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