

MEN'S CLUB BY-LAWS

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Three sets of By-Laws must exist and be kept up to date with any additional legislation that the Men's Club may pass. One set is to remain at the clubhouse, one with the President, and one with the Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be called The Men's Club.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Men joining The Men's Club must be eighteen years of age.

Section 2. Only golfers with a reasonable and regular opportunity to play golf with fellow members and who can personally return scores for posting may be members and receive USGA Handicap Indexes from the club.

Section 3. Membership confers no voice in the operation of any golf courses, clubhouses or any facilities of the courses.

Section 4. Membership confers no special privileges in connection with any golf course.

Section 5. Memberships in the club are for a calendar year only, with all memberships expiring September 30th.

Section 6. The fiscal year for the club will be April 1st through September 30th.

Section 7. In the event that any member of the club shall commit any act which reflects discredit or disrepute thereon or shall refuse or neglect to comply with the rules and regulation adopted by the Board of Directors or the duly appointed officers, such member shall be subject to suspension or expulsion by a vote of three-fourths of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. The annual meeting of the Men's Club shall be held on the last night of competition at 8:00 p.m.. The President may also call a special meeting on any date or time.

Section 9. There is no required number of members to have a legal quorum at any meeting as long as that meeting is posted and known to the membership. Each active member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 10. All membership fees and dues shall be established by the Board of Directors from time to time in such amounts as they deem to be adequate to operate and maintain the club. All monies collected shall accrue to the benefit of the membership.

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE

FIRST: To stimulate interest in golf at the Coulee Golf Bowl by bringing together a group of golfers desirous of forming a golfing organization.

SECOND: To promote and foster among the members a closer bond and fraternity for their joint and mutual benefit, and to promote and conserve the best interests and true spirit of the game of golf as embodied in its ancient and honorable traditions.

THIRD: To encourage conformance to the USGA Rules of Golf by creating a representative authority.

FOURTH: To maintain a uniform system of handicapping as set forth in the USGA Handicap System and issue USGA Handicap Indexes to the members.

FIFTH: To provide an authoritative body to govern and conduct club competitions.

ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of four members in good standing of the Men's Club. Their duties will be to assist the Executive Board whenever needed and to handle all grievances pertaining to play where violations exist in all competitions of The Men's Club. Also, to impose any and all penalties for violations of USGA rules and local rules of The Coulee Golf Bowl. They shall exercise all powers of management of the club not specifically excepted by these By-Laws.

Section 2. The President of the Men's Club shall appoint the Board members.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall meet at such times and places as they may select and a majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

Section 4. Each board member will have their dues paid for them from The Men's Club for their efforts.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section 1. The officers shall consist of President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer, and their duties shall be such as their titles would indicate or such as may be assigned to them respectively from time to time.

Section 2. The President shall be chairman of all meetings and committees. The Vice-President shall be chairman of all meetings and committees when the President is absent. The V.P. is also responsible for all weekly events. The Secretary-Treasurer shall take care of all correspondence, collect all dues, pay all bills, organize all annual tournament events and make sure the club runs smoothly.

Section 3. The body of The Men's Club shall elect the governing body. An elected term to be one year with no limit as to the amount of times they may be re-elected. The election shall be held each year on the last night of competition for the following year.

Section 4. The officers will be known as the Executive Board. The President or Vice-President must preside at all meetings.

Section 5. The President and Vice President will each receive ½ of a single membership from The Coulee Golf Bowl for their efforts. The Secretary-Treasurer will receive a full single membership from the Men's Club for his efforts.

ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Board and Board of Directors shall run or appoint and define the powers and duties of all committees. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The President may remove any committee member at any time he feels that member is not doing his duties satisfactorily.

Section 2. Each committee member will have their dues paid for them from The Men's Club for their efforts.

Section 3. Except as modified by the Board of Directors, all appointed committees shall function as recommended in the USGA Golf Committee Manual. The following committees shall be appointed each year, with such other committees as the President may deem necessary or advisable:

Tournament Committee to arrange and schedule with the management of any golf course as necessary, and conduct all intra-club and interclub competitions. A set of guidelines, which will be attached to the By-Laws, will be furnished for each competition. The committee is not obligated to follow them strictly to the letter. They will have the power to deviate slightly from these guidelines in order to better or improve the competitions.

Handicap Committee is responsible for establishing a fair and proper system of handicaps in accordance with procedures set forth in the USGA Handicap System Manual.

Rules Committee will also include the club pro at The Coulee Golf Bowl to govern all golfing rules not covered in these By-Laws pertaining to the play of all events by Men's Club members. USGA rules will prevail except where local rules and or these By-Laws state otherwise.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

The Board of Directors shall have the power to repeal or amend any of these By-Laws provided that such action shall not be effective until approved by a majority vote of the members in attendance at a Men's Club meeting held in accordance with the provisions contained herein.

ARTICLE VIII - DUES

Incoming officers and the Board of Directors for the following year will set the amount of dues for that year. Dues shall be used for the operational expense of the Men's Club and payouts for the yearly events. The yearly events payoffs shall be a fair and equitable amount as determined by the tournament committee. Dues must be paid before any member can participate in any Men's Club activities. Failure to pay your dues by the first night of Men's Club could result in a loss of your tee time.

ARTICLE VIII - GENERAL RULES

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The closed reserved starting tee time at present is 1:17 p.m., this time may be moved to an earlier starting time only with the approval of the management of The Coulee Golf Bowl. The last closed reserved starting time for this group is 5:55 p.m. and can not be moved to a later time because of finishing the round before dark. The Men's Club activities will start at noon, but members must make their own tee times for all activities before 1:17. Members can play an official round anytime on Wed. as long as they play with another member. If you can make your official time that must be used as your Men's Club round. There must be a minimum of 2 members per tee time to retain that time.

The Men's Club plays by summer rules.

The Men's Club will run 2 major events during the year, Club championship & flight matches and Club handicap tournament. Events such as the regular Wednesday events, summer medal, Club championship & flight matches and Club handicap tournament shall be paid in merchandise certificates. Syndicates, hole in one event, eagle event, horserace and any other event will be paid in cash.

During the time of noon and 5:55 p.m. members of The Men's Club may not play in groups larger than foursomes. Men's Club members should at all times display proper courtesy and etiquette on the course. Men's Club members should replace all divots and repair as many ball marks as possible.

Any member getting a hole-in-one during their official Men's Club round will win a share of the eagle pot which will be paid out at the end of the season. The Men's Club will also buy a half-barrel and soda the following week. The ace must be appropriately witnessed. To win the optional \$5 pot, you must have a reliable witness & get it at the Coulee anytime during the Men's Club season. Holes must be played in consecutive order but may start on the 6th tee. Any member getting an eagle (a hole-in-one is an eagle) during their official Men's Club round will win a share of the eagle pot which will be paid out at the end of the season.

Rain delay policy – If a group decides not to play due to weather and passes on their regular tee time, they are not allowed to step up later in front of other golfers on their regularly scheduled tee time. Golfers may however fill in with a non-filled group at a later tee time.

The week will be called a weather out if less than 50% of members with regular tee times do not start their round. If a weather out is called none of the events will be paid out. In 2009 we agreed to count an eagle & a hole-in-one in the case of a weather out or as long as weather does not allow continuation that evening.

Members may play in the senior events & use the gold tees if they are 60 years old or older on the first day of Men's Club.