

CONSTITUTION

DEL LAGO WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

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ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Association shall be DEL LAGO WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION (DLWGA) (hereinafter "Association").

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

This Association has been formed and exists for the purpose of bringing together a community of women of all skill levels to promote camaraderie and love for the game of golf.

ARTICLE III- MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Members of the Association shall be composed of women golfers, 18 years of age or over.

Section 2. Members shall be considered in good standing through regular payment of dues in full and upon compliance with all rules and regulations of the Association and of the United States Golf Association (hereinafter "USGA") Rules of Golf.

Section 3. All members shall have or shall obtain a USGA handicap index issued by the Arizona Golf Association (hereinafter "AGA"). All play days will have a 54-maximum handicap. All tournament play will have a 40-maximum handicap. If higher, the member must play to a 40 handicap.

Section 4. The Executive Board (hereinafter "Board") shall set membership dues for the coming year of DLWGA with the approval of the membership. Annual dues are payable by November 1 of the current year or at the time a new member joins the Association and are non-refundable except by action of the Board. Dues are not prorated for partial year membership.

Section 5. Refund Policy - DLWGA members who leave the club will be entitled to a full refund if the club is notified within one AGA billing cycle. During the second billing cycle the refund will be 50%. After the second billing cycle there will be no refund.

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board of the Association shall consist of the following Officers:

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, AGA Representative, Golf Genius Chairperson, Handicap Chairperson, and Past President (for the first year of current President's term).

Section 2. The Board shall have entire management control of the membership, affairs, properties, and policy of the Association.

Section 3. The Board will plan the yearly events schedule and may adopt and interpret rules for the conduct of the tournaments and events.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

Section 1. There shall be two regular business meetings of the Association: Spring and Fall meetings. The purpose of the Spring meeting shall be to hold the election of officers, conduct the Awards Luncheon Ceremony, and conduct other business as necessary. The purpose of the Fall meeting is to inform membership of the upcoming season activities and to conduct other business as necessary.

Section 2. The Board shall schedule other meetings of the membership as necessary.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposed amendment(s) to the Constitution or By-laws must be provided to the entire membership two weeks in advance of a vote.

Section 2. A minimum of one-fourth (1/4) of the membership must be physically present at a scheduled meeting to conduct business and shall constitute a quorum. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote in the affirmative of those members in attendance is required to proceed with amendment.

Section 3. Should it become necessary to vote by email on proposed amendment(s) to the Constitution or By-laws, a minimum of one-fourth (1/4) of the membership must respond to the email and shall constitute a quorum. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote in the affirmative of those members responding to an email vote is required to proceed with amendment.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

Section 1. A member in good standing (Constitution, Article III, Section 2) is entitled to vote at all general membership meetings and participate in all Association events upon compliance with all adopted rules and regulations.

Section 2. A member can invite any female guest 18 years of age or over, to play in a weekly play day event with the exception of tournament play, i.e., Club Championship. Guests are limited to three play day events during the season after which time they are required to join the Association.

ARTICLE II - DUTIES OF THE BOARD OFFICERS

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and appoint committees, as necessary, during the season.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President. She shall be a co-signer on the Association's bank account with the Treasurer. The Vice President shall be the Events Coordinator responsible for the oversight of all Committee Chairpersons.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep roll of the membership, file reports of officers and committees, record minutes at all business meetings, and take care of all correspondence.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall take charge of all funds of whatever nature received in the name of the Association and shall disperse said funds subject to the approval of the Board. She shall purchase all supplies necessary for carrying on the work of the Association. She shall prepare monthly financial reports and present her records at any regular or Board meeting. She shall have her books audited by the Board at the end of the season.

Section 5. The AGA representative shall be a liaison between the AGA and our Association. She shall communicate AGA information to the Association, post AGA Tournament flyers, report holes-in-one to AGA, and conduct the Medallion Tournament.

Section 6. The Golf Genius Chairperson shall submit a proposed schedule of play day events and tournaments to the Board. She shall be responsible for all competitive play of the Association. She shall maintain accurate records of the results of all play days and all tournaments and award prizes.

Section 7. The Handicap Chairperson shall ensure the club meets the definition of a Golf Club. She shall know the Rules of Handicapping and educate and communicate the Rules of Handicapping to members. She shall assure course details are accurate for a Type 1 Club. She shall monitor the process of converting a Handicap Index to a Course Handicap. She shall assure timely submission of scores either through the

Golf Genius program or by members posting their own scores. She shall maintain accurate player scoring records either through the Golf Genius program or manually if necessary. She shall apply penalty scores and adjust the Handicap Index of any member whose Handicap Index does not reflect their demonstrated ability. She shall perform annual handicap reviews.

Section 8. The Past President shall be a member of the Board for the first year of the current President's term as a mentor to the league and shall have voting privileges.

ARTICLE III - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The current Board may appoint a Nominating Committee to facilitate nominations for the election of next season's officers. In the absence of a Nominating Committee, the current Board shall receive nominations for the election of next season's officers. Other nominations may be made from the floor. The members reserve the right to question the eligibility of any nominee.

Section 2. Election of officers shall be held annually during the Awards Luncheon at the Association's Spring meeting. Vacancies during the season for an unexpired term may be filled by the Board.

Section 3. To be eligible to hold an elected office in the Association, a member must be in good standing and take an active participation in Association events and activities. Eight (8) play day scores each year are required.

ARTICLE IV - COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Committees consist of Golf Genius, Rules, Kachina, Southern District, Historian, Web Master, and Social. The Chairperson of each committee, overseen by the Events Coordinator, may appoint assistants as necessary. To serve on any committee, a member must be in good standing.

Section 2. The Board shall have the authority to change and/or create other committees as required for the proper conduct of Association business. These committees may be standing committees or ad hoc at the Board's discretion.

ARTICLE V - ASSOCIATION PLAY AND EVENTS

Section 1. The Association's play day is Monday with varying shotgun start tee times throughout the season. Members shall sign up for play each week via the Golf Genius invitation email and shall notify the Pro Shop, at 520-647-1100, for Monday morning cancellations.

Section 2. A minimum of six members completing a round of 18 holes shall constitute a play day. Any day where fewer than six members sign up to play will be an automatically cancelled play day. Those members may still play, but their round will not be counted toward league play results and members are responsible for posting their own score. (See Article VI, Section 2. below.)

Section 3. The President, at her discretion, can cancel a scheduled play day.

Section 4.

a. Provided a member attempts to play each hole and completes a minimum of 14 holes, they may pick up while playing a hole and mark an X (taking her maximum allowable score of Par +2 + strokes) and still be eligible for a participation point, Skins, Ringers and Hole-in-One. She is also eligible for chip ins and closest to the pin which are games outside of the game of the day.

b. Depending on the play day event, there may only be a subset of the played holes that count. If a member has marked an "X" on a hole that counts, she will be deemed ineligible to compete for that weekly prize.

c. Members shall date, add, sign, and turn in the official score card after each play day or member shall be deemed ineligible to compete for the weekly prize.

d. There shall be a winner and runner-up, in each flight, for each weekly play day event. In the case of a tie, there will be a scorecard playoff according to either the USGA (Last 9, 6, 3, 1 Holes) or Last to First Hole tie-breaking rules. Members' adjusted 18-hole scores will be posted to GHIN via Golf Genius unless a player has withdrawn from the play day event. Withdrawn members are responsible for posting their own score.

e. Throughout the season, points will be awarded as described on the DLWGA website and in the DLWGA Handbook. At the close of the season, all points will be converted to dollars and awarded to members at the Awards Luncheon Ceremony.

Section 5. There shall be an annual Club Championship event with the Club Champion being the low gross winner; and the Runner-Up, the low net winner.

Section 6. Other league events including DLWGA Ace, Medallion qualifiers, Southern District Tournaments, Home, Home & Home, and Kachina Dolls shall be held each season as provided in the Events Calendar on the DLWGA website and in the DLWGA Handbook.

ARTICLE VI - ELIGIBILITY

Section 1. All new members shall establish a USGA handicap by posting three scores to the GHIN Handicap System. All existing members shall continue to maintain a USGA handicap.

Section 2. Only scores on actual play days will be counted towards eligibility for awards. CWGA, Kachina Dolls, Southern District, or any other sanctioned play on the Association's play day, count as part of the official play days to be eligible for awards, but those members will not earn participation points for this play.

- a.** Eligibility Points - An Eligibility Point will be awarded to each player who plays in a DLWGA league sanctioned event played on our regular Monday play day. This Eligibility Point only counts toward the number of rounds required to be eligible for the Club Championship and specific year end awards and is not a point for money. (see Sect.5 below)

b. Participation Points - A Participation point is a point for money that is automatically awarded to each player that plays at Del Lago on our regular Monday play day.

c. If there are fewer than six (6) players playing at Del Lago on any regular Monday play day but there are enough other DLWGA players playing in a DLWGA league sanctioned event to make up the required six (6) players, all players will automatically receive ONLY the Eligibility Point.

Section 3. To be eligible to receive payouts for Weekly Games, Breaking, Ringers, Hole-in-One, Net Skins, Gross Skins, Medallion, DLWGA Ace, and Participation, members only need to be in good standing, with a USGA handicap.

Section 4. To be eligible to receive payout for Most Improved, members shall be in good standing, with a USGA handicap, and must have 13 play day scores from the current season.

Section 5. To be eligible to compete in the Club Championship Tournament, members shall be in good standing, with a USGA handicap, and they must have eight (8) play day scores from the current season. Exceptions may be approved by the Board.

Section 6.

a. To be eligible to receive payouts for Best Average Low Gross, Best Average Low Net, Most Eagles, and Most Birdies, members shall be in good standing, with a USGA handicap, and must have 13 play day scores from the current season.

b. Members are only eligible to win one of these categories per season. If one member is a winner of more than one category, that member will be awarded the payout of the highest valued category, and any other categories won by that member will be awarded to the runner up member(s) in that category.

ARTICLE VII - ASSOCIATION PLAY AND RULES

Section 1. Each member shall be familiar with and adhere to the USGA Rules of Golf.

Section 2. Each member shall be familiar with and adhere to additional local rules and information available at the DLWGA website (<https://dellagowga.azgolf.org>) and contained in the DLWGA Handbook.

Section 3. Members shall play from the forward (tan) tees.

Section 4. Members shall putt out each hole, i.e., no "gimme" putts.

Section 5. Members shall announce to the players in the group their intent to play a provisional ball.

Section 6. Members shall follow rules of golf etiquette including, but not limited to, the following:

a. Don't move, talk, or stand behind a member making a stroke. Watch the shot.

b. Turn mobile phones off or put it on vibrate.

- c.** Don't step on a member's line of putt.
- d.** Maintain pace of play by keeping up with the group in front and playing "Ready Golf".
- e.** Put an identification mark on the ball in play.
- f.** Repair divot holes and ball marks on the green. Refer to the video available on the DLWGA Website for the proper method to repair.
- g.** Rake bunkers before exiting.
- h.** Return the flagstick and retrieve the ball carefully without damaging the grass edge of the cup.
- i.** Golf is a game of ups and downs so, remember to have fun!