

# The Calimesa Men's Golf Club

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CONSTITUION AND BYLAWS OF THE CALIMESA MEN'S GOLF CLUB Established January 1, 2018 Amended January 1, 2023

# **ARTICLE I**

The name of this organization shall be THE CALIMESA MEN'S GOLF CLUB, hereinafter called the Club. This association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof and it is organized for non-profit purposes.

The purpose of this Club is to stimulate and advance the interest of its members in golf activities, to conduct golf tournaments for the members; to provide for a uniform system of handicapping, according to rules established by the Southern California Golf Association (S.C.G.A.) and the United States Golf Association (U.S.G.A.); to establish and maintain a general atmosphere of good fellowship and sportsmanship and to maintain transparency of all Club activities.

The Board of Directors is empowered to take appropriate disciplinary action in the event of flagrant disregard of the purposes of the Club by any member.

### ARTICLE II

**Section 1** – Club Year – The club fiscal year shall be January 1<sup>st</sup> to and including December 31<sup>st</sup> of the same year.

**Section 2** – Membership – Any male person may become a member of this club by paying the required annual dues, as fixed by the Board of Directors, hereinafter created. Memberships are for 12 months from the date dues are paid. The President shall appoint a committee, which shall approve or reject applications for membership.

Section 2.1 – Junior Members – Members under the age of 18 years shall be classified as Junior Members and shall not be eligible to participate in any Club tournaments.

Section 2.2 – Life Membership – The honor of Life Membership may be awarded by the prevailing Board of Directors having appointed a club historian to assist in the selection process. Life membership may only be awarded by a unanimous vote by the Board of Directors. The award should be considered the highest honor attainable by any member, requiring at least 10 years of continuous and exceptional service to the Club. The award may be bestowed no more than once per year, and not necessarily every year. The recipient shall receive free life membership to the Club.

**Section 2.3** – Longo/Spoto Memorial Monument – The honor of having one's name placed on the Longo/Spoto Memorial Monument may be awarded to a former member that has passed away, by a unanimous vote by the prevailing Board of Directors.

**Section 3** – The Club dues shall also provide for membership in the Southern California Golf Association (S.C.G.A.) and its computerized handicapping system through the U.S.G.A.'s Golf Handicap and Information Network (G.H.I.N.) system.

Section 4 – Payment of the required full annual membership and renewal dues shall entitle each member to participate in the following tournaments: the President's Cup (1), Board of Directors Tournament, Membership Drive, Turkey Shoot, Senior/Super Senior Club Championship (2), and the Club Championship (2), which are to be conducted annually by the Club and paid for by the Club.

(1) A member is required to have played in at least one Club tournament prior to the event in that year.

(2) A member is required to have played in at least two Club tournaments prior to the event in that year.

#### ARTICLE III

Section 1 – The administration and control of the Club and its activities shall be vested in a Board of Directors provided for herein. Said Board of Directors function as a "Committee" as defined by the U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf.

**Section 2** – The Board shall meet once each quarter, or upon the call of the President, to transact such business of the Club as is necessary.

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Section 3 – The <u>Board of Directors</u> shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Greens Chairman, Handicap Chairman, and Tournament Chairman, and shall serve for the club year following the election provided herein. The Board of Directors membership dues shall be paid by the Club.

Section 4 – The <u>President</u> shall preside at all meetings of the board and general membership and may, at his discretion, appoint such committees as he deems necessary or desirable, for the best interests of the Club. The President shall also publish a newsletter, no less than once a quarter, to inform the membership of tournaments results, scheduled meetings, upcoming tournaments, and other necessary information.

Section 5 – The <u>Vice President</u> shall avail himself to the President and familiarize himself with the President's duties so that he could take over the duties of the President in the event of an emergency and the President was not available. The Vice President shall also be the liaison to the Management of golf courses the Club plays at and will negotiate and coordinate events, tee times, and pricing.

Section 6 – The <u>Secretary</u> shall handle the recording of minutes, clerical, and general correspondence duties. He shall make arrangements for all Board meeting sites and notify all Board members of the date, time, and place. The Secretary shall also keep an updated roster of the Club membership, provide updated membership application forms, and process new and renewing members. He shall also send all new members a welcome letter upon receipt of the new member's annual dues.

Section 7 – The <u>Treasurer</u> shall be responsible for the preparation of quarterly financial statements and the tax returns for the fiscal year ending immediately after expiration of the term of office. The Board of Directors may designate another person to prepare the tax returns. Drafts shall be signed by the Treasurer or other designated directors as determined by the Board of Directors.

**Section 8** – The <u>Greens Chairman</u> shall act as liaison with the course management to provide input and support in the operation, improvement and maintenance of the golf course. In addition the chairman shall help to determine pin and tee placements prior to Club competitions. He will also maintain Out of Bounds stakes and mark Ground Under Repair areas.

**Section 9** – The <u>Handicap Chairman</u> shall provide a uniform system of handicapping for Club members according to the rules established by the S.C.G.A. and U.S.G.A. Handicap System Manual.

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Section 10 – The <u>Tournament Chairman</u> shall plan and manage Club sponsored golf tournaments, S.C.G.A. and any other team play, and establish and enforce the local rules of play. He shall also prepare an annual tournament schedule and present it to the board for approval.

Section 11 – The <u>Social Media Chairman</u> shall manage, administer, and update the Club's online presence through platforms including but not limited to Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and the official Club website. He will develop and facilitate a plan(s) to actively and consistently increase the Club's online visibility, membership, and tournament participation by marketing, promoting, and posting details on upcoming and recently completed tournaments. He shall take pictures and video of Members participating in Club tournaments and post online.

Section 12 – The Board of Directors shall appoint two <u>Members At Large</u>, after the annual general membership meeting and prior to January 1<sup>st</sup>, to serve no more than two years as a Member At Large. Members At Large are to familiarize themselves with the Director positions and their job duties so as to easily transition into a Director position in the future as recommended by the Board and voted on by the membership. If after two years of service, the Member At Large is not elected to a Director position, the Board of Directors must appoint a new Member At Large. Directors may not retire to a Member At Large position.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

Nomination and Elections – In December of each year, the President shall arrange for a meeting of the general membership for the purpose of nominating and electing a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Greens Chairman, Handicap Chairman, and Tournament Chairman for the succeeding Club year. Each office shall be nominated and voted on separately. Nominees shall, at the time of their nomination, be bona fide paid up members of good moral character and state whether they will serve if elected. Such officer selected shall serve in the Club year following the elections. Nominees for the offices of "President" and "Vice President" shall only be considered if these persons have served on the Board of the Club for at least two years and one year respectively.

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Vacancies on the Board of Directors occurring during the Club year shall be filled by the President with the concurrence of a majority of the Board members. Officers so chosen shall serve the remainder of the Club year in which they are designated.

A quorum of the Board of Directors for conducting business shall be at least (4) Directors present and voting.

# **ARTICLE V**

The President may call a general membership meeting whenever he considers it necessary or desirable and shall call a general membership meeting, within 15 days, upon receipt of written petition signed by 25 percent or more of the membership.

The President shall cause to mail or email to each member a notice of all general membership meetings, at least 30 days before the date of such general membership meeting.

# **ARTICLE VI**

Power to amend or repeal these Bylaws is reserved to the members present at a general membership meeting convened for such purpose. Such action shall be accomplished by a majority vote.