

ASHTON-U-LYNE GOLF CLUB

RULES

Adopted October 1947

Constitutional Rules



Name

1. The Club Shall be called the "ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE GOLF CLUB"

Management

2. (a) The management of the Club and the disposal of the funds and property thereof shall be in the hands of a Committee consisting of the Captain, ex-Captain, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretary (who shall be ex-officio members) and nine members of the Club.

(b) The Captain, Treasurer and Secretary to retire annually, but to be eligible for re-election.

(c) Three of the nine ordinary members of the Committee to retire annually, but to be eligible for re-election.

At the end of the first year the retiring members of the Committee to be decide by ballot. The following year, the three retiring members to be decided by ballot among the remaining six.

Afterwards the members to retire in rotation.

(d) The ex-Captain to be on the Committee for the period occupied by his successor.

(e) The Committee shall meet as often as may be required and for all business purposes five shall form a quorum.

(f) The Committee shall have power to make regulations for the general comfort and accommodation of the members, both as regards the Course and the Club-house and all regulations made by the Committee and orders given by them shall be binding on every member until set aside by a general meeting.

(g) The General Committee may appoint Sub-Committees from their own number or with the addition of other members of the Club.

(h) Any vacancy occurring among the officials or members of the Committee may be filled by the Committee. The members so elected to hold office for the remainder of the current year.

General Meetings

3. (a) The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held on the first Saturday in May, or if the Committee decide that date to be unsuitable, on the first convenient Saturday thereafter, and at least one week previous to the meeting an audited statement of the Club's accounts for the past year shall be printed and forwarded to each member, and submitted to the meeting.

(b) An Autumn General Meeting of the Club shall be held on the first Saturday in October when the Officers and general members of the Committee shall be elected.

Candidates for office must be nominated on a form which shall be posted in the Club-house not later than the last Saturday in August, and taken down during the evening of the third Saturday in September.

No person shall be considered nominated unless proposed and seconded.

All elections shall be by ballot.

Special Meetings

4. A Special General Meeting may be called-

(a) When the Committee deem it necessary.

(b) When a requisition signed by not less than fifteen members is presented to the Secretary. The requisition must clearly state the matter to be discussed and no other business shall be considered.

Chairman of Meetings

5. The Captain shall be Chairman at all meetings. In all cases of equality of voting, the Chairman shall have a casting vote.

Notice of Meetings

6. Not less than three clear days' notice of all committee meetings shall be given by the Secretary, but if urgent business has to be disposed of, a Committee Meeting may be called on 24 hours' notice.

New Members

7. (a) The election of new members shall rest with the Committee. Every candidate for election shall be proposed by one member of the Club and seconded by another, both of whom shall have the personal acquaintance of the candidate. His nomination shall be sent to the Hon. Secretary, who shall forthwith post it in the Club. The votes at each election shall be taken by ballot. Two adverse votes shall exclude.

Candidates shall be balloted for in the order in which their nominations have been received, but the Committee shall not proceed to ballot for any candidate until his name shall have been posted for at least seven days.

(b) The Secretary, in writing, shall notify new members of their election, supply them with a copy of the Rules, and request them to pay the entrance fee and subscription, and until payment thereof, the new member shall not be entitled to any of the privileges of the Club.

The Committee shall have the power to declare void the election of a member who fails to comply, within one month with any rule or regulation of the Club.

Entrance Fee and Subscriptions

8. (a) The Entrance Fee shall be such an amount as the Committee shall from time to time determine, and the Committee shall have power at any time to suspend or waive payment of the entrance fees, either generally or in any individual cases.

(b) The annual Subscription shall be £5/5/0, due in advance on the 25th March.

(c) No member shall compete for a prize until his subscription, rent for locker, and all arrears due by him have been paid.

(d) If any member's subscription be unpaid on 30th June, the Committee shall have power (after due notice has been given to the said member by the Treasurer or Secretary) to remove his name from the list of members.

Lady Members

9. (a) Ladies shall be admitted to membership of the Club at an Annual Subscription of £3/3/0.

(b) The Entrance Fee shall be such an amount as the Committee shall from time to time determine, and the Committee shall have power at any time to suspend or waive payment of the entrance fees, either generally or in any individual case.

(c) No lady member shall be eligible for election on the General Committee or be eligible to attend the Annual, Autumn or Special General Meetings.

(d) Lady members shall only be entitled to play over the course in accordance with the regulations of the Committee.

Country Members

10. Country members may be admitted to the Club on payment £2-2s per annum. They must be bona-fide members of another club and reside outside a twelve miles radius of the Club. Th election to be as in Rule 7.

Junior Membership

11. Junior members may be admitted to the Club up to the age of 21 years on payment of half the current subscription.

Honorary Members

12. Non-playing members, being the husband or wife of a playing member, and all ex-playing members, may be admitted at an annual subscription of Two Guineas.

Temporary Members

13. Temporary members may be admitted to the Club. They must be introduced by a member of the Club, and the introducing member shall be held responsible for the subscription which shall be £2/0/0 per month for gentlemen and £1/10/0 per month for ladies.

Country, junior, honorary, and temporary members shall not be eligible to compete for prizes, vote or attend any meeting of the Club.

Visitors

14. Visitors who desire to play on the course must have their names entered into the Visitors' Book and must obtain a ticket from the Steward.

No person shall play as a visitor more than three times in any year, unless such person is a bona-fide member of a Golf Club.

Charges: 3/- per day on week-days, 4/- per day on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Resignations

15. Members wishing to resign their membership of the Club must send Notice of their intention to do so, in writing to the Secretary on or before the 25th March and resignation shall take effect as from that date. Unless such Notice has been sent, the membership shall not be deemed to have lapsed.

Liability of Members

16. Every full member of the Club, during the time that he is a member, and for one year afterwards shall (pro rata), according to the number of contributories, indemnify the persons in whom the leases of the land of the buildings occupied by the Club shall for the time being be vested, in respect of the payment of rents, reserved by and the performance and observance of the lessees' covenants in such leases.
17. The Property, Effects and Moneys of the Club shall belong to the members during membership equally; but the right and interest of every member shall be personal and limited to himself and shall expire with his membership, and shall not be assignable, arrestable or pass to his heirs or executors.
18. In case the conduct of any member, either in or out of the Club, shall, in the opinion of the Committee, be injurious to the character, interest or good order of the Club, the Committee are empowered to recommend such member to resign and if he consent his subscription for the current year shall be returned; but if he do not resign within fourteen days from the

date of the letter of such recommendation, it shall be the duty of the Committee to call a Special general Meeting in the terms of Rule 4; and a circular shall be forwarded to every member of the Club fourteen days previous to such meeting and that the same is to be held "on important business"; and that in the event of it being voted at that meeting by two-thirds of the members present that the name of the said member be removed from the Club, he shall cease to be a member of the Club. The vote shall be by ballot.

Notices

19. No notice or document of any kind shall be posted up in the Club-house except by the Secretary or other official of the Club.

Complaints

20. All complaints must be made in writing to the Secretary and signed by the complainant.

Dogs

21. No dogs shall be allowed in the Club-house or on the Course.

General

22. No gambling shall be allowed in the Club-house.
23. On week-days the Club-house may be open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. and on Sundays from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. during "Summer Time"; and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. other months. The Committee may vary the time of opening and closing as they deem desirable.
24. The Rules of the Club can be altered only at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose in terms of Rule 4, or by a Postal Ballot of the members, such ballot to be authorised by the Annual General Meeting, Autumn Meeting, or Special Meeting.

Amy proposed alteration must be sent in writing to the Secretary in time to permit him to send a copy of such proposed alteration or alterations to each member one week before the meeting.