RULES OF THE CLUB

1. TITLE

The Club shall be called the 'St. Austell Golf Club'.

2. CONSTITUTION

The Club is a 'Not for Profit' Members Club.

St Austell Golf Club may be dissolved at any time by a resolution passed by two thirds of the returned total vote of the membership, providing that any assets that remain after the settlement of all debts and liabilities shall with the approval of the Executive Committee be given or transferred to such other institutions having objectives similar to some or all of the objectives of St Austell Golf Club.

3. OBJECTS

The primary objects of the Club are to promote the game of golf and afford to its members opportunities to participate in such other sporting, recreational and social activities as may be required for the provision and maintenance of the Club premises.

The Club shall be non-political and non-sectarian.

The Club is a non-profit making Club.

4. MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Club shall be classified as follows:-

Full Members

(a) Full Membership shall be available to amateur golfers of not less than 18 years of age. Comes with the option of adding a social membership for their partner free of charge.

B Share (full voting rights).

Life Members

(b) On the recommendation of the Executive Committee, a simple majority at any General Meeting of the club may elect a Full Member a Life Member. A Life Member is entitled to all the privileges of Full Membership without paying the annual subscription or any special payment for Life Membership. Life Membership shall endure for life but may be suspended by the Executive Committee for such period as is deemed reasonable in any disciplinary proceedings or terminated on the recommendation of the Executive Committee by a simple majority at any General Meeting.

Intermediate Members 1, 2, 3 and 4

(c) To accommodate individuals leaving full time education

18-21 Years Old

22-25 Years Old

26-29 Years Old

30-35 Years Old

B Share (full voting rights)

Members 90 or over

(d) Subject to having been a member for at least the previous 5 years, showing recognition and appreciation that players of this age may not play as long or as often and to encourage them to remain members.

B Share (full voting rights)

Social Members

(e) A Social Member may enjoy the facilities of the Club, excluding the facilities of the course. The number of Social Members admitted to Membership shall not be permitted to be significant in proportion to the total Membership.

No B Share (no voting rights)

Honorary Members

(f) Honorary Members may be elected by the Executive Committee for a period not exceeding one year. The number of Honorary Members so elected shall not exceed nine at any one time. They shall be eligible for re-election at the discretion of the said Executive Committee.

No B Share (no voting rights)

Junior Members

(g) Junior Membership shall be available to persons who are under the age of 18 on the 31st of March in any year but who shall have attained the age of 14 years. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, junior membership may be extended to include those in continuous full-time education up to the age of 22 years. Junior Members may be allowed the use of the course and limited use of the Club House at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

No B Share (no voting rights)

Juvenile Members

(h) Juvenile Membership shall be available to persons who are under the age of 14 years on the 31st March in any year who may be allowed the use of the course and limited use of the Club House to such an extent as may be authorised from time to time at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

No B Share (no voting rights)

County Members

(i) County Membership shall be available to persons who are Full Playing Members of another golf club in the County of Cornwall and may play in Club competitions with the exception of the Club Championships, Individual and Pairs Knockouts (all sections).

No B Share (no voting rights).

Country Members

(j) Country Membership shall be available to persons ordinarily resident outside the County of Cornwall and shall pay an annual subscription as per section 27(a).

Country members shall be an annual subscription fee of 40% less than the full member.

No B Share (no voting rights) operation committee.

Corporate Membership

(k) The annual fee shall be agreed for each corporate membership application by the Executive Committee, (to be organised by the Club Manager's office). B Share (full voting rights only for principle named individual/s)

No B Share (no voting rights)

Flexible Membership

(I) Flexible Membership entitling member to 150 points which are redeemed automatically whenever a booking in Intelligent Golf for 18 or 9 holes is made, as per the points matrix (attached) Further rounds to be purchased in blocks of 50 points Flexible membership open to new & existing members of other categories. Existing flexi members will be able to renew and will switch to the new points system. Flexible members may play in club competitions with the exception of Club Championships, individual and pairs knockouts (all sections).

No B Share (no voting rights)

New Member Offer

(m) The Executive Committee may, from time to time, introduce offers to encourage new members to join the Club. These offers will come with their own conditions and regulations and, unless linked to a Full Playing Membership, will not include a 'B' Share or any voting rights.

5. NEW MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Every application for Membership must be submitted to the Club Manager. The Executive Committee are empowered to require from a proposer and/or an applicant such further information concerning the applicant as they think desirable and may require personal interview and may defer consideration of the proposal for such time as may in consequence be necessary. The decision of the said Executive Committee in the approval or rejection of an application shall be final.
- (b) The Club Manager shall communicate to a successful applicant the offer of membership and shall at such time request him to pay such entrance fees and subscriptions as shall be due and payable in accordance with the Rules of the Club from time to time in force. In the event of an applicant failing to accept the offer within one month of it being made it shall lapse.
- (c) A candidate for membership shall not enjoy any of the privileges of membership unless a minimum period of two days has elapsed between the date of his or her application for membership and the date of admission to membership which shall be deemed to be the date upon which any fees payable under (b) above are paid.

6. ST AUSTELL GOLF ESTATES LTD

Every Full Playing Member, Life Members, Intermediates and Members 90 or over shall, as a condition of membership, take up one £1 'B' share in St Austell Golf Estates Ltd.

7. RESIGNATION

- (a) A member may resign his membership at any time by giving notice in writing to the Club Manager.
- (b) A member who resigns continues to be liable for any subscriptions, levies or other debts outstanding at the date of resignation and may re-apply for membership only after such liabilities are discharged.

8. DISCIPLINE AND EXPULSION

(a) If the Executive Committee receives a written report concerning a member's behaviour or actions, whether within or outside the Club premises, which they believe could harm the Club's interests or reputation, or if any Member refuses to

adhere to the Club's Rules and Bye Laws, the Executive Committee has the authority to summon the Member to a meeting. They must provide at least seven days' notice, along with written information outlining the nature of the complaint. At the meeting, the Executive Committee will review the report and decide on appropriate disciplinary measures, as they see fit given the circumstances.

- (b) In the event of any Member being so called and failing to appear, without reasonable cause, such Member shall be deemed to have accepted the complaint.
- (c) The Executive Committee may take such disciplinary action as may be appropriate including, but subject to a two-thirds majority of the Executive Committee present, expelling such Member from the Club and erase his name from the Register of Members. The said Executive Committee may, in lieu of expulsion, impose suspension of Membership for such periods up to a maximum of twelve months as they deem appropriate. Alternatively, the Executive Committee may withdraw all or any of the facilities of the clubhouse or golf course for such period as the committee deems appropriate.
- (d) Any such Member so expelled or suspended shall, by giving notice to the Club Secretary in writing within seven days, have the right of appeal to an Extraordinary General Meeting to be insert called within twenty-eight days of the expulsion or suspension, when a simple majority of those Members present, and voting shall be sufficient to confirm same.
- (e) Upon expulsion by the Executive Committee, or during the period pending the disposal of an appeal or during any period of suspension the Member shall cease to enjoy the rights and privileges of Membership.
- (f) The Club Manager or any other person who has received the authority of two members of the Executive Committee may expel temporarily any person who has the right to the use of the Club premises if not of good behaviour.

9. FORFEITURE OF RIGHTS ON CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Any member who is expelled in accordance with the rules or otherwise ceases to be a member of the club:

- (a) Forfeits all rights to, or claim upon, the club or its property or funds that they would have by reason of their membership.
- (b) Is not entitled to any return of subscription and remains liable for any subscription or other fees outstanding at that time.

10. OFFICERS

The Officers of the Club shall consist of the members of the Executive Committee all of whom shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible for reelection at the end of their term.

11. COMMITTEE

- (a) The Executive Committee shall consist of five full Members
- (b) The five elected members shall hold office over a 3-year period and can seek re-election. Unless replacing a Executive Committee member that was previously elected.
- (c) Any casual vacancy on the Executive Committee may be filled up by the Executive Committee by means of co-option without the need for a General Meeting.
- (d) Any member chosen to fill a casual vacancy on the Executive Committee going out of office at the following Annual General Meeting will be eligible as a candidate for election to the Executive Committee at that Annual General Meeting. For the sake of clarity any period of service on Executive Committee as a co-opted member shall be disregarded in any calculation under (c) above.
- (e) Those officers and members of the Executive Committee not elected at an Annual General Meeting shall retire from the Executive Committee upon going out of the office they hold.
- (f) If insufficient candidates are elected, the Executive Committee may fill that vacancy by means of co-option without the need for a General Meeting.
- (g) Three Members of the Executive Committee meeting shall form a quorum.
- (h) Any St Austell Golf Club full playing member, having been a member for a minimum of 10 years, may be elected to the office of St Austell Golf Club Men's President and remain in office for a maximum of five years or until such time during that period that person resigns from the Office.
- (i) Committee members may be removed from office during their tenure, for failing to discharge their duties for the good and benefit of the Golf Club and its members.

12. ELECTION OF OFFICER'S, MEN'S CAPTAIN, MEN'S VICE CAPTAIN & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- (a) The Men's Captain and Men's Vice-Captain shall be nominated by ballot of the Committee who shall previously have asked for nominations from the Members, such ballot to be carried out at least one month before the Annual General Meeting in each year.
- (b) Every candidate for election to the Executive Committee shall have held continuous full membership for at least two years immediately prior to nomination. They shall be nominated in writing by a Member of the Club at least thirty days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.

- (c) At least twenty-one days before the Annual General Meeting a list of the candidates so nominated shall be posted on the Club notice board.
- (d) The result of the election of Officers and Executive Committee Members shall be certified by the Officer presiding at the meeting and promptly posted on the notice board in the Club House.

13. DELEGATION

- (a) The Executive Committee may appoint sub-committees from its number and depute to them such powers and duties as it may determine.
- (b) The Executive Committee may co-opt persons other than members of the Executive Committee provided their number does not exceed one-third of the total membership of the Executive Committee.

14. POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall at the first meeting after their election, select a Chairperson from their own body and shall office over a 3-year period and can seek re-election.

- (b) The Executive Committee shall meet each month for general business. Sufficient notice of the meetings shall be given to each Executive Committee member and at least four days' notice of every meeting shall be posted on the notice board by the Club Manager.
- (c) If requested by at least two members of the Executive Committee an emergency meeting of the Executive Committee shall be convened by the Club Manager and notice of such an emergency meeting given to all of the members of the Executive Committee. 3 Executive Committee members present shall be a quorum. Any resolution passed at an emergency meeting shall continue in force only until the next Executive Committee meeting at which time it may be ratified or rescinded.
- (d) The Executive Committee, in addition to the powers specifically conferred on it by the rules below, has the control of the finances of the club, power to engage, line manage senior staff and all administrative powers necessary to carry out the objects of the club properly in accordance with these rules.
- (e) When the position becomes vacant, the Executive Committee shall promptly employ another Club Manager.
- (f) At any time that the position of Club Manager is vacant the Executive Committee may appoint someone to temporarily undertake the Club Manager's responsibilities under these rules.

- (g) Any expenditure, be it in one payment or cumulative payments for any one item or collection of items comprising to make a whole package in excess of £20,000 shall require the sanction of the Members attending an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting. Voting will be as set out in 17 (b) below. The above shall not apply to those essential services/equipment required to run the club on a daily basis.
- (h) Any Executive Committee Member who has a discernible financial interest be that directly or indirectly in any Executive Committee discussions must declare that interest to the Executive Committee as soon as it becomes evident. Failure to declare an interest should be considered for discipline under Rule 8 (a) or Rule 11 (k).
- (i) The Executive Committee and each member thereof shall be indemnified out of the property of the Club against all expenses and liabilities incurred by them in the proper performance of their duties.
- (j) The Club may apply for a bank overdraft.

15. DUTIES OF THE FINANCE REPRESENTATIVE/S

- (a) The Finance Representative on the executive committee, in conjunction with the club manager, must ensure the annual statement of accounts and balance sheet of the club up to the 31st of December in each year is up to date.
- (b) The accounts and balance sheet must, after audit, be made available to all members when the notice of the Annual General Meeting is given.

16. AUDITORS

The committee shall engage a firm of accountants to prepare and audit the annual accounts.

17. GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The Annual General Meeting of the club shall be held on or before the 31^{st of} March each year or in any event not, later than fifteen months after the date of the previous Annual General Meeting, at such time and as the Executive Committee determine. At least twenty-one days' notice of such meetings shall be sent to every Member.
- (b) Conditions relating to voting at General Meetings will mean that:
- (i) Every voting member is entitled to receive notice of and to attend and vote at Annual General Meetings. Voting members are those members who are entitled to vote as specified by their Category of Membership.

- (ii) For any vote at a General Meeting to be valid the Club will at all times provide voting members with the ability to vote by Proxy. Voting by Proxy shall be offered to all voting members via the provision of traditional pen and paper proxy forms, and also via a method that allows members to submit their Proxy by a simple electronic means. If full on-line electronic voting is deemed appropriate in the future, then this capability will also be provided to all voting members in addition to the other two methods specified above. Note that the facility for members to cast their Proxy via simple electronic means or via full on-line voting (if approved in the future) may be provided in-house by the Club or may be provided by a third party company which specialises in offering managed voting services to organisations, the appointment of which will be determined by the Executive.
- (iii) The tally of the votes at an Annual General Meeting will be based on those voting members who actually vote, not on the total number of voting members of the Club who were entitled to vote at the time. This definition is used to calculate the percentage of members approving or rejecting any proposal.
- (iv) Members who do not vote on a resolution will be judged to have abstained from voting on that resolution. Abstentions will not be taken into account in tallying the vote negatively or positively, although the number of abstentions may be reported for the sake of completeness/transparency. Members who attend Annual General Meetings but do not vote For or Against a resolution will however be judged to be attending for the purposes of counting for a Quorum.
- (v) The tally and announcement of the result of any vote conducted in-house by the Club will be managed by the Golf Manager or his/her nominated representative together with one or more independent scrutineers appointed by the Executive. If voting is managed by a third-party specialist company appointed by the Executive, the tally of the result of the vote may be conducted by that third party company, who will then notify the Annual General Manager of the result. All details of voting other than the published tally/results will always be treated as strictly confidential.
- (c) Thirty members entitled to vote thereat or one-fifth of such membership, whichever shall be the smaller number, physically or virtually present, shall form a quorum. At least twenty-one days' notice of such meetings shall be sent to every member.
- (d) The business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting shall be limited to the following:
- (i) To receive from the Executive Committee the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.

- (ii) To elect the Officers and Executive Committee members in accordance with these Rules.
- (iii) To appoint a President and Vice Presidents previously nominated by the Executive Committee.
- (iv) To decide on any motion or amendment of Rules or any other matter of which notice has been given as hereinafter mentioned in accordance with paragraph (f) below.
- (e) At the Annual General Meeting of the Club the Chair of the Executive Committee or a member of the Executive Committee in their absence a Chairman elected by the meeting shall preside. In the event of an equality of votes the Chair shall have a casting vote.
- (f) Notice of every such motion or matter duly proposed must if proposed at the instance of a member as distinct from the Committee be sent in writing to the Club Manager at least thirty days before the date of the Meeting. The club manager shall post notice of each motion or matter on the Club notice board and send a copy to every Member at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting. Any such notice exhibited on the Club notice board must be so exhibited for at least seven of those days.
- (g) Any amendments to motions or matters that have duly been proposed under Rule 17 (f) by a member, must be sent in writing to the Club Office at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting in order that it can be posted ten days before the date of the meeting.

18. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The Executive Committee may call an Extraordinary General Meeting when any question of urgent importance arises and must call a meeting to be held within twenty-eight days of receiving a requisition signed by thirty Members entitled to vote thereat or by a member who has been expelled by the Executive Committee and desires to appeal to an Extraordinary General Meeting. Voting will be in accordance with 17 (b) above.
- (b) Twenty-one days' notice in writing shall be sent to every Member of the Club (entitled to vote) setting out the objects, reasons, time and place of such meeting. The provisions relating to a guorum at an Annual General Meeting shall apply.
- (c) During a General Meeting of the Club, either the Chair of the Executive Committee or, if they are absent, a Chair elected by the attendees from the

Executive Committee shall lead the proceedings. If there is a tie in votes, the Chair will cast the deciding vote.

19. VOTING

- (a) Only Full Playing and Life Members shall be entitled to vote on any item on the agenda, for a fixed period of time, as set by the Executive Committee, at a general meeting.
- (b) All members shall be entitled to attend a General Meeting except the following categories of membership: social, honorary members (unless agreed by the committee), junior, juvenile, county, country or corporate.

20. ALTERATION OF RULES

No rule of the club may be repealed or altered, and no new rule may be made, save by the members present at a general meeting.

21. BYE LAWS

- (a) The Executive Committee may make, repeal and amend any byelaws it may from time to time consider necessary for the well-being of the club
- (b) Byelaws, repeals and amendments have effect until otherwise determined by the Executive Committee or a General Meeting.
- (c) No byelaw may conflict with these rules.

22. REGISTERED ADDRESS OF MEMBERS

- (a) A register of all names and addresses of Members will be kept in the Club House. Each Member shall be responsible to communicate to the Club Manager any changes of their address or that of their Agent.
- (b) All notices sent to Members' addresses last recorded or registered provided the member has given the club authority to communicate under GDPR rules by the Club Manager shall be considered as being duly delivered to the Member.

23. USE OF CLUB

- (a) The Club shall be open to Members during such hours as the Executive Committee from time to time determine.
- (b) Use of the club is restricted to members, their bona fide guests, visitors and other persons authorised under these rules.

(c) The Executive Committee may resolve to allow the club premises to be used for a function or event, to which sub rule (b) shall not apply.

24. THE SUPPLY OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR

- (a) The permitted hours for the supply of intoxicating liquor on the Club premises shall be as determined from time to time by the Executive Committee within the limits of and in accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Acts from time to time in force. Intoxicating liquor may only be consumed on the premises during the permitted hours or within 20 minutes of the end of permitted hours.
- (b) The Executive Committee shall have the power at any time to close the Club premises or to forbid the sale or supply of intoxicating liquor upon occasions when the Club premises are being used for functions open to the Public or to persons who are not Members of the Club.
- (c) No person under the age of 18 years shall be supplied with or consume intoxicating liquor on the Club premises. No Member shall purchase or attempt to purchase any intoxicating liquor which he knows will be consumed by a person under the age of 18 years.
- (d) Except with the permission of two committee members (and only during the permitted hours or within 20 minutes of the end of permitted hours) intoxicating liquor bought off the premises may not be consumed on the premises.(e) No one may directly or indirectly derive any pecuniary benefit from the supply of intoxicating liquor by or on behalf of the club to members or guests or others so entitled apart from any benefit accruing to the club as a whole and apart also from any benefit derived indirectly by reason of the supply giving rise to or contributing to a general gain from the carrying on of the club.

25. GUESTS

- (a) The Member's shall be responsible for the behaviour of their guests and must ensure that such guests shall comply with the Rules and Bye Laws of the Club.
- (d) Bona fide guests over the age of 18 years may purchase alcoholic beverages from the bar for consumption on the premises.
- (e) No member may introduce as a guest any person who has been refused admission as a member or who is then a currently suspended or previously expelled Member.
- (f) The Executive Committee shall have power to bar guests from the Club, if they consider it necessary, on such occasions or for such periods as they consider fit if in their opinion Members would otherwise suffer in not being able to use and enjoy the Club facilities.

26. VISITORS

- (a) An authorised visitor shall be entitled (but not as of right) to such use of the club premises as the Executive Committee shall from time to time authorise and shall if over the age of 18 years be entitled to purchase alcoholic beverages from the bar for consumption on the premises.
- (b) Visiting golfers who are members of a recognised golf club (or any person otherwise considered suitable by the Executive Committee) on payment in advance of the appropriate green fee as decided by the Executive Committee shall have the use of the course and the status of authorised visitor for the day.
- (c) Persons accompanying visiting golfers admitted under sub-Rule (b) of this Rule may on application to the bar person on duty, or in his absence to any member of the Committee be granted authorised visitor status.
- (d) The Executive Committee may from time to time authorise the use of the clubhouse and/or the course for the holding of any sporting or social activity and any persons attending to participate or perform and in the case of a sporting activity to support shall be deemed authorised visitors for so long as the event endures, and up to 2 hours preceding and 4 hours post the event.
- (e) Persons employed by or contracted by the club may at the absolute discretion of the Executive Committee be granted authorised visitor status for so long and subject to such restrictions as the Executive Committee may impose.

27. SUBSCRIPTIONS AND ENTRANCE FEES

- (a) Subscriptions and any entrance fees shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting in each year and a list of those current from time to time shall be displayed on the Club notice board or otherwise made available to all Members for inspection. Country Members shall pay an Annual Subscription fee of 40% less than the Full Member.
- (b) Members joining after 30th April in any year shall pay a pro rata subscription.
- (c) Subject to the provisions of (d) below all subscriptions fall due on the first day of April in each year and are payable by the 30th of April in each year in full. If the subscription shall not be paid by the 30th of April of that year, such Member shall cease to be a Member of the Club and shall cease to be entitled to enjoy any of the privileges of Membership.
- (d) Any member may, by giving notice in writing to the club manager within 7 days of receiving notice of the annual subscription, pay their subscriptions by instalments in the manner and at the rate and over the period which may from time to time be recommended by the Committee.

Please note: Rule 27 does not cover the default of instalment payments resulting in monies being reclaimed from the finance company.

- (e) The Lady Secretary, and The Competition Secretary, so long as they each continue to discharge their duties of office, appointment or employment shall be exempt subscriptions or green fees and have B Share (voting rights).
- (f) No entry fee shall be payable by a person under the age of 18 years upon joining the Club either as a Juvenile or Junior Member.
- (g) A Junior Member of at least three years standing whilst under the age of 18 years shall also be exempt from paying any entry fee. Any Junior Member remaining in full-time education beyond the age of 18 years may at his election continue to be classified as a Junior Member until such education is completed or ceases.
- (h) Full, Junior, Juvenile, County, or Country Members who are unable due to sickness or injury or other compelling reason to make use of the playing facilities of the Club for a period in excess of 26 consecutive weeks in any period of 52 consecutive weeks may apply to Executive Committee for a reduction in or a rebate of their annual subscriptions related to the period of the relevant inability. On production of a Medical Certificate or of such other documentary verification (if any) as the Executive Committee may require the Executive Committee may (if it is satisfied that a moderation of any subscription paid or payable by such a Member should be allowed) sanction a repayment or a reduction as may be appropriate. No repayment or reduction which the Executive Committee may sanction under this Sub-Rule shall exceed the sum arrived at by multiplying the relevant subscription by the number of qualifying weeks of inability in excess of twenty-six weeks and then dividing the product by 52.
- (i) If they see fit the Executive Committee may sanction pursuant to an application under this Sub-Rule a repayment or a reduction of a sum less than the maximum contemplated above, and they shall have an absolute discretion in determining whether or not to sanction any repayment or reduction in accordance with the enabling powers conferred upon them by this Sub-Rule.
- (j) If a continuous period of inability comprises parts of more than one subscription year the maximum repayment shall be calculated on the basis of the highest subscription payable during the relevant period and the amount so ascertained shall be subject to such downward adjustment if any as the Executive Committee determine.

28. COMPLAINTS

- (a) All complaints must be made in writing to the Club Manager, who, if they are unable to deal with them, must submit them to the Executive Committee whose decision is final.
- (b) In no instance may any club staff be reprimanded directly by a member.

29. LADY MEMBERS/SENIOR MEMBERS/JUNIORS

Ladies

(a) Subject to the General Rules of the Club the management of all ladies' competitions shall be vested in a Ladies Committee. This hereinafter will be called the Ladies Committee and will consist of eight Lady Members, the Officers being the Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, County Delegate & Past Captain plus two committee members, all of whom shall be elected at an Annual Meeting of Lady Members to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual Meeting of Lady Members by the votes of the ladies present.

For this purpose, regulations similar to those set out in Rule 12 as to nominations shall apply, with the necessary modifications to render the same applicable to the Lady Membership of the Club.

- (b) The Annual Ladies Meeting shall take place on or before March 31st in each year at such time and place as the Ladies Committee shall determine. The said Committee may, if necessary, co-opt Members in ex-officio positions on to that Committee.
- (c) The Ladies Committee shall have power to authorise or incur expenditure from such funds as are administered by them. Such funds shall form an integral part of the Club's annual audited Accounts.

Seniors

- (a) The Senior Section shall operate in line with the original rules there were set out at a meeting on the 18th of March 1985. These rules may be amended by the Seniors Committee but must be ratified by the Executive Committee.
- (b) The Seniors Committee shall have the power to authorize or incur expenditure from such funds as are administered by them. Such funds shall form an integral part of the Clubs annual audited Accounts.
- (c) Male members aged 55 years and over may register with the Secretary of the Seniors Section to participate in club competitions organized for Senior Members.

Juniors

The Junior Committee shall have the power to authorize or incur expenditure from such funds as are administered by them. Such funds shall form an integral part of the Clubs annual audited Accounts

30. GENERAL

- (a) No paper, notice or placard, written or printed, may be exhibited, put in the clubhouse or in any way brought to the notice of members without the sanction of the Club Manager or a member of the committee.
- (b) Members must pay all expenses they incur on their own behalf or for guests in the clubhouse or on the course before they leave.
- (c) No member may take away any property of the club from the clubhouse under any pretext whatever or permit any property of the club to be taken away, or injure or destroy any property of the club or permit it to be injured or destroyed.
- (d) A Member shall at their own expense reimburse the club for any loss arising under sub-paragraph (c) above.
- (e) All trophies must remain on the club premises unless agreed by the section secretary.
- (f) All dogs must, at all times, be on a fixed lead while in the confines of the course and club premises (which expression shall include the driving range) and are not allowed into the Clubhouse with the exception of assistance dogs.

 Owners/keepers of such dogs will be responsible for the immediate removal of any excrement deposited by the dog on any part of the course and club premises.
- (g) Members must follow the club's social media policy.

31. MEMBERS BOUND BY RULES

Every member is bound by and must submit to the rules and byelaws of the club.

32. RULES OF GOLF AND HANDICAPS

- (a) The rules of the game of golf as adopted from time to time by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews and, so far as applicable, the Local Club Rules, must be observed.
- (b) The handicapping of members shall be determined by the Handicap Committee in accordance with the World Handicap System as published by the USGA & R&A and administered by England Golf.

33. INTERPRETATION

The headings to these rules are for ease of reference only and are not to be taken into account in their interpretation.

BYELAWS APPLICABLE AT THE DATE OF REVISION OF THESE RULES

1. Any local Rules from time to time printed on Club scoring cards shall be deemed to be part of the Byelaws of the Club.

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- 2. Players taking part in a Club Competition have priority and the right of passing non-competitors.
- 3. No guest or visitor may compete in any club competition except for any open competition or Invitation Day competition.
- 4. All protests relating to the interpretation of the Rules of Golf must be delivered to the Club Manager or to the relevant section competition secretary who shall, have power to settle such protests. All protests must, if possible, be settled on the day they are made escalating any outstanding queries to the Cornwall Golf Union and/or England Golf. No protest will be entertained unless made in writing on the day of play. Decisions so given shall be final.
- 5. All Club Competitions shall be subject to the direction of the Operational Committee and shall be conducted by and under the control of the Competition Secretary save those competitions organised by the ladies or seniors sections which shall be conducted by and under the control of the Ladies Secretary or the Secretary of the Senior Section respectively.
- 6. In all competitions a score may be kept by a non-competitor provided they are a member of a recognised golf club or a golf association.