

# VENTURA MEN'S GOLF CLUB

## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I

#### Name

The name of this organization shall be the VENTURA MEN'S GOLF CLUB (VMGC or the Club).

### ARTICLE II

#### Objectives

The objectives of VMGC shall be:

- First: To promote the interest of golf.
- Second: To enforce uniformity in the rules of the game by creating representative authority.
- Third: To establish and maintain uniform handicaps for all members consistent with and acceptable to the Public Links Golf Association (PLGA).
- Fourth: To afford a convenient and authoritative means of arranging dates and places for holding tournaments.
- Fifth: To seek membership in and to cooperate and comply with PLGA, and such other golf associations deemed advisable by the membership.
- Sixth: To promote and encourage participation in all tournaments as may be sponsored by the PLGA.

### ARTICLE III

#### Dues and Membership

Section 1. The annual dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors. Annual dues are due on the first day of October of each year and shall be delinquent if not paid by a date set by the Membership Chairman.

Section 2. Any member delinquent in payment of annual dues shall be automatically suspended from membership as of January 1, until such time as the annual dues are paid. During the period of such suspension the member shall not be permitted to participate in any Club activity.

Section 3. Each member, upon payment of their annual dues, shall be issued a membership card vouching for membership in the Club. Such membership card shall bear the Seal of the Public Links Golf Association. In addition to serving as a membership card, it shall also serve as the record of official handicap changes.

Section 4. Application for membership shall be made in writing, accompanied by check, money order, draft, or cash in the amount as set forth in Section 1 of this Article.

Section 5. Any person, 18 or older, upon application shall be eligible for membership, and shall be admitted to membership when the application has been filed with the Membership Committee.

Section 6. A conditional member, as described in Section 5 of this Article, shall have the same status as a regular member during the time their application is being acted upon.

ARTICLE IV  
Obligation and Discipline

Section 1. The acceptance of membership in this Club shall bind each member to abide by all the conditions, rules, and regulations prescribed in this Constitution and Statutes and to accept and enforce all decisions of the Board of Directors within its jurisdiction.

Section 2. No member of this Club may be expelled except for failure to comply with the Constitution and Statutes of this Club or for conduct tending to bring discredit to the Club, the game of golf, or the Golf Course Management. No member shall be expelled except at a meeting of the general membership after a full and complete hearing. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Club membership present and voting at said meeting shall be necessary to expel. A member cannot be expelled without being given written notice at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which such expulsion will be considered.

Section 3. No officer of the Club or member of the Board of Directors shall be impeached and/or removed from office except at a meeting of the general membership after a full and complete hearing. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Club membership present and voting at said meeting shall be necessary to impeach and/or remove from office or the Board. An officer or Board member cannot be impeached and/or removed without being given written notice at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which such impeachment and/or removal will be considered.

ARTICLE V  
Officers

Section 1. The officers of the Club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, all of the foregoing to be elected by secret ballot by a majority vote of the members of the Club present at the regular October meeting of the Club. Nominations for each office shall be made by a Nominating Committee to be appointed by the President. Nominations shall also be accepted from the Floor for any office.

Section 2. The President shall be the chief executive and administrative officer of the Club, and shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and at all meetings of the members of the Club. In the absence of the President, one of the other officers, in the order named in Section 1 of this article, shall preside.

Section 3. The term of office shall be one (1) year from the date of the Annual Meeting of the Club to the next, or until a successor has qualified.

Section 4. Any vacancy which occurs in any office, by resignation, protracted absence, serious illness, or other causes rendering the Officer unable or unwilling to serve, shall be filled by a person appointed by the Board, who shall serve until the next Annual Meeting of the Club.

Section 5. A representative of the Course Management shall be an ex-officio officer of this Club. Such representative shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and shall serve with the Board of Directors in an advisory capacity.

ARTICLE VI  
Board of Directors

Section 1. The policy, business, and affairs of the Club shall be directed by the Board of Directors, who in turn shall be subject to the Constitution and Statutes of this Club. The Board of Directors shall consist of the four (4) elected Officers eight (8) elected Directors and the immediate past president. The eight (8) Directors will be elected at the same meeting in the same manner as the four (4) Officers, and shall serve for the same term.

Section 2. As stated in Section 1, the immediate Past President shall automatically be a member of the Board of Directors for the following year entitled to act and vote as such.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall meet subject to the call of the President, or at the call of no less than one-third (1/3) of the members of the Board.

Section 4. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall be a majority of the members of the Board.

Section 5. Compensation and incentives for the Board of Directors shall be determined by the Board of Directors, published and approved by the general membership not later than the February general membership meeting. Such compensations and incentives shall be published in the Club newsletter bi-annually.

Section 6. Any Club member who has served ten (10) years on the Board of Directors, shall be presented free lifetime membership in the Club.

#### ARTICLE VII Government and Management

Section 1. This Club is hereby declared to be organized for purpose other than pecuniary profit, and does not and shall not contemplate the distribution of gains, profits, or dividends to members or officers.

Section 2. No officer or member of the Board of Directors shall bind the Club in any transaction unless specifically authorized and/or directed by the Board of Directors or the general membership at any regular meeting.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall have no power to authorize, approve, or ratify, nor shall the President or any other representative of the Club have any power to enter into any obligation involving payment or expenditure of any money of the funds of this Club in excess of the cash balance in the Club Treasury at the time of the action.

Section 4. The Club may bond the Treasurer in an amount not less than Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00), and may bond the Tournament Chairman, Membership Chairman, or any other member of the Club handling the funds of the Club in such amount as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary authority in the conduct of business of this Club subject to the Constitution and Statutes of the Club.

#### ARTICLE VIII Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended or a new Constitution adopted by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting, providing the entire amendment or new Constitution has been posted on the bulletin board at least twenty (20) days in advance of such meeting.

Section 2. On all questions of interpretation or construction of the Articles of the Constitution the decisions of a majority of the Board of Directors shall be final.

## STATUTES

### TITLE I Meetings

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Club shall be held each month, except in December, unless otherwise scheduled by the Board of Directors. Notice of regular meetings held in accordance herewith shall be given in writing by the Secretary to all members.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Secretary on the order of the President or eight (8) members of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall give each member notice of the time and place of such meetings by mail at least ten (10) days in advance of such meetings.

Section 3. The election of officers and eight (8) elected members of the Board of Directors shall be held in October with installation of the newly elected officers and Board to be accomplished at the Annual Meeting.

Section 4. The Annual Meeting of the Club shall be held in November. At that meeting the President will make the annual report.

Section 5. The following shall be the order of business at all regular and special meetings of the Club:

1. Introduction of guests
2. Roll Call of Officers and Directors
3. Reading of the minutes of previous meeting
4. Committee Reports
5. Old business
6. New business
7. Adjournment.

Section 6. The following shall be the order of business at the Annual Meeting:

1. Roll call of Officers and Directors
2. Introduction of Guests
3. President's annual report
4. Introduction and installation of newly elected officers for ensuing year
5. Announcement and Introduction of Standing Committees for ensuing year
6. Adjournment.

Section 7. A quorum for any regular meeting shall be ten (10) Club members present and eligible to vote. This quorum must include at least three (3) board members of which at least one (1) must be an officer of the Club.

### TITLE II Duties of Officers

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to:

1. Preside at all business meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors.
2. Call all special meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors.
3. Appoint all standing committee chairs, with the approval of the Board of Directors.
4. Appoint and discharge special committees.
5. Be, ex-officio, a member of all committees.

6. Serve as the Club representative at all PLGA meetings when in attendance.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall act as an assistant to the President, and in the President's absence, shall preside at all meetings. The Vice-President shall act as committee chairman for the annual Ventura County Golf Championship, in charge of scheduling, managing and conducting all phases of this special tournament. The duties of the committee shall include providing information about the tournament in a timely manner to the PLGA and golf courses throughout Ventura County.

Section 3. The Secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors and conduct the correspondence of the Club at the direction of the President and/or the Board of Directors. It shall be the Secretary's duty to submit minutes of each general membership meeting to the general membership, and to submit minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors to the Board of Directors.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive all monies for the Club. The Treasurer shall keep an itemized account of all financial transactions of the Club rendering a monthly report to the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall make no expenditures of Club money except upon the direction of the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall deposit the funds of the Club to the credit of the Club in such bank or banks as approved by the Board of Directors. The financial records of the Club shall be reviewed annually by a special committee appointed by the President. The report of this annual review shall be submitted for the Board of Directors approval in a timely manner.

### TITLE III Committees

Section 1. The standing committees shall be known as the:

1. Membership Committee, whose duties shall be to conduct membership campaigns, to accept applications for membership, to assist the Treasurer in the maintenance of members through the payment of dues, as well as to promote such membership activities as may be directed by the Board of Directors.
2. Tournament Committee, whose duties shall be to program and schedule Club tournaments and contests for submission to the Board of Directors and the general membership, and to manage and conduct such tournaments and contests as scheduled.
3. Out-of-Town Tournament Committee, whose duties shall be to program and schedule all Out-of-Town club tournaments and contests for submission to the Board of Directors and the general membership. To manage and conduct such tournaments and contests as scheduled. This shall include (with approval from the Board of Directors), the authority to enter into contractual obligations on behalf of the Club, with golf facilities selected for such tournaments and contests.
4. Handicap Committee, whose duties shall be to determine the standard handicap for each playing member of this Club in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Club, and to represent the Club at the PLGA monthly handicap meetings conducted at various golfing facilities throughout Southern California. To provide information gathered at these meetings to the Board of Directors and general membership.
5. Publicity Committee, whose duties shall be to handle Club publicity as well as to edit and publish any periodical or bulletin issued by the Club.
6. Greens and Rules Committee, whose duties shall be to make recommendations for the improvement of playing conditions at Buenaventura Course and to determine ways and means whereby the members of this Club can assist in the preservation and maintenance of such golf course. It shall be thoroughly familiar with the rules of golf.
7. Entertainment and Program Committee, whose duties shall be to create, promote, and conduct such special activities, exclusive of tournaments which the Board of Directors and general membership may desire. It shall be in charge of such social events as may be approved by the Board of Directors and the general membership. It shall assist the President in providing entertainment for membership meetings.

8. Club Liaison to PLGA, whose duties shall consist of representing the Club in the absence of the President, with authority to vote on all matters brought before the general membership of PLGA, at the monthly meetings at various golf facilities throughout Southern California. Information gathered at such meetings will be provided to the Club Board of Directors for appropriate action. The committee shall also provide to the general membership any information pertaining to PLGA sponsored tournaments.

9. Club Historian/Webmaster, whose duties shall be to collect, correlate, and maintain all available past and current information related to the organization and management of the Club. Information to be collected shall include, but not be limited to formation, founders, Past Presidents, Past Club Champions, significant changes to the golf course, past and current course records, etc. Shall maintain an active Website to include all information relative to the Club's business, both current and past. Provide capability to obtain tournament starting times, results, money leaders and future applications on the Website.

Section 2. All other committees are special committees, which may, from time to time be necessary to carry out the policies and programs of the Board of Directors or to aid the officers in the administration of the affairs and business of the Club.

Section 3. Standing Committees shall be created, changed, or abolished only by amendment to these Statutes. Standing Committee Chairs shall be appointed and discharged by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors. Temporary or special committees may be appointed and discharged by the President.

#### TITLE IV Special Tournaments

Section 1. The Ventura County Golf Championship Tournament will be conducted by the Club annually. Dates of play, number of rounds to be played, selection of golf course(s) and all other related factors pursuant to the operation of this tournament shall be governed by the Club.

Section 2. Other special tournaments may be established and conducted by the Club with approval of the Board of Directors.

#### TITLE V Amendments

Section 1. These statutes may be repealed or amended by majority vote of the members present and voting, at any regular meeting, provided that notice of the proposal of an amendment to the Statutes has been given to the membership, by posting on the bulletin board at least twenty (20) days prior to such meeting.

Adopted: August 3, 2001

Signed: Michael J. Wagner  
President

Signed: Michael E. Wright  
Vice President

Signed: William W. Eckenroth  
Secretary

Signed: Robert Thren  
Treasurer