

# WHITNEY FARMS MEN'S CLUB

## By-Laws

### I NAME OF CLUB

Whitney Farms Men's Club

### II PURPOSE

The Whitney Farms Men's Club (the "Club") is formed exclusively for pleasure, recreation and other nonprofit purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and specifically to foster, promote, engage in, and conduct for recreation all phases of golf and golfing related activities in a manner to promote personal contacts and fellowship among its members, including the providing of education about golf. The Club is not organized for profit.

### III OBJECTIVES

- A. To provide a variety of competitive tournaments for the members of the Club.
- B. To keep the dues and tournament costs at a minimum.
- C. To make all tournaments as fair and competitive as possible for all Club members.
- D. To promote good sportsmanship and to create a sense of loyalty and respect to the Whitney Farms Golf Course and all of its facilities.

### IV ORGANIZATION

#### A. MEMBERSHIP

1) Membership shall be available to all persons eighteen (18) years of age or older.

2) Types of Membership.

a. Active Members. An Active Member in good standing has turned in a completed application for membership and paid the applicable annual membership dues for the golfing season. There are two types of Active Members:

i. Full Member. A Full Member can:

- a. Participate in all tournaments and all social events.
- b. Vote on any issues brought before them by the Executive Board.

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c. Hold any elected office

c. Be appointed as a committee chairman or participate on any committee.

ii. Associate member. An Associate member can:

a. Participate in a limited number of tournaments as specified by the Executive Board.

b. Participate in all social events.

b. Honorary Members. An Honorary Member is a person who shall be designated as such for meritorious contributions to the Club or its objectives. Honorary membership shall be conferred by the majority vote of the Executive Board. An honorary membership may be assigned for life. Membership will follow all terms similar to a Full Member except an Honorary Member shall not be eligible to hold an elected office.

3) Admission to Membership. To become an Active Member the total annual dues payment applicable to the membership type must be paid in full. Full payment must be submitted with an application for membership. All membership applications are subject to approval by the Executive Board.

4) Memberships are for a single golfing season only, with all Active Memberships expiring on Dec. 31 of the current year.

5) The Executive Board will determine the maximum number of memberships available in the Club.

#### B. ELECTED OFFICERS

1) The Elected Officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

2) The terms of office shall be for one year.

3) The Elected Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting. The nominating committee shall present the slate of officers at the annual meeting (it is recommended to post this slate thirty (30) days prior to the meeting). Nominations can also be taken from the floor during the meeting.

4) Officers and other appointed committee chairs, elected or appointed at the annual meeting, shall take office immediately and serve until the annual meeting of the following year.

5) Officers and chairs can be re-elected or re-appointed on a continuing basis.

#### C. EXECUTIVE BOARD

1) The Executive Board shall consist of (i) the Elected Officers, (ii) the appointed chairmen of the following committees (if such committee chairman has been appointed by the President): the Membership Committee, the Handicap Committee, the Tournament Committee, the Technology Committee, and the By-Laws Committee, and (iii) Members-At-Large as determined and appointed by the President.

2) The newly elected President will appoint all committee chairs.

3) The Executive Board will be responsible for the following:

a. Establishing all membership dues and tournament fees.

b. Approving all expenditures.

c. Limiting the size of the club membership.

d. Directing all club activities.

e. Administering the Men's Club including the enforcement of all By-Laws, rules, and regulations set forth by the club and resolution of any and all problems, which may arise.

f. Approving yearly tournament schedules and all related tournament rules.

g. Appointing a nominating committee for all elections.

#### D. COMMITTEES

1) The club may have five standing committees, at the discretion of the President, to assist in the organization and operation of the Club. The President can add additional committees as deemed necessary for the best interests of the Club. These committees shall include:

a. Membership Committee

b. Handicap Committee

c. Tournament Committee

d. Technology Committee

e. By-Laws Committee

2) The President will appoint a chairman for each committee deemed necessary. An Elected Officer may also serve as a committee chairman. Each committee chairman may appoint as many club members as needed to assist him in carrying out the committee responsibilities.

3) Chairman responsibilities shall be as follows:

a. Membership Chairman:

1. Shall review each application for membership and submit it to the Executive Board for acceptance or rejection based on the rules of the club.

2. Shall maintain an up-to-date list of all members that shall be available to each member of the Executive Board.

3. All dues collected shall be turned over to the Treasurer as they are received.

b. Handicap Chairman:

1. Review and audit all Club tournament scorecards for compliance with Club rules and stroke adjustments pursuant to Equitable Stroke Control.

2. Enter all adjusted scores from tournament scorecards in the GHIN system.

3. Prepare the tournament results for distribution.

4. Seek help and advice of Club Pro on all handicap matters.

c. Tournament Chairman:

1. Establish the tournament schedule draft for approval by the Executive Board.

2. Provide the approved tournament schedule to the Secretary for distribution to all members.

3. Recruit members to run various tournaments as necessary.

d. Technology Chairman:

1. Provide recommendations for use of technology to assist in club operations, including website, email, and tournament software.

2. Maintain the website.

e. By-Laws Chairman:

1. Interpret all rules and regulations set forth by the by-laws.

2. Recommend by-law changes to the Executive Board as needed to improve Club operations. A simple majority vote of the Executive Board shall be required for all By-Laws changes to be approved.

#### E. MEETINGS

1) The President shall call meetings of the Executive Board as required for operation of the Club.

2) A quorum of  $2/3$  of the Executive Board shall be necessary for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Executive Board.

3) The annual meeting will be held in November on a date as determined by the Executive Board.