

in effect as of 5/26/05

THE TRADITION LADIES' GOLF ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1: NAME

The name of the organization shall be **The Tradition Ladies' Golf Association** (*hereafter referred to as TLGA*).

ARTICLE 2: OBJECT

The object of this association is to promote the game of golf by providing league play for the mutual benefit and enjoyment of the members.

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERSHIP

- A. Membership shall be limited to 65 Active Lady Members at least eighteen years of age who are Tradition **Homeowners** and members of The Tradition Golf Club.
1. Members are defined as those who pay their annual dues **to both Tradition Golf Club and TLGA as well as an annual computer handicap fee.**
 2. Residents of the Tradition that have been granted membership privileges as a condition of employment at The Tradition Golf Club may also become members of TLGA.*
*The only exception to the residency requirement will be for those who were members of TLGA on or before October 9, 1997.
 3. **Members who have been Paid Members for at least 4 of the prior 5 league years shall be granted the opportunity for continuous League Membership if they move out of Tradition property but maintain their membership in both the Tradition Golf Club and TLGA.**
- B. Members must have a USGA 18-hole Handicap Index to play in weekly tournaments and keep their handicaps current at The Tradition Golf Club.
1. All first-time members must have a USGA Established Handicap Index of 38.7 or less, resulting in a handicap of 40 or less.
 2. Handicap Index should be based on a minimum of ten 18-hole scores as recorded in the Tradition Club computer and/or proof of USGA Index.
 3. All new members join TLGA as Associate Members and move to Active Member status upon completion of 12 league plays, if Active Membership is not full.
- C. An Active member is required to play at least 12 league day tournaments a year. (A year is defined as beginning December 1 and ending November 30.)
1. League day play cancelled either by the Club or the League Day Chairperson will count toward the above requirement.
 2. In cases of extenuating circumstances that prevent a member from completing the 12 league rounds required to maintain active status, that member may petition the Board for a one year exemption. The Board's decision will be final.
- D. An Associate member:
1. is one who plays less than 12 weekly league days a year (December 1 through November 30.)
 2. must pay annual dues **to both Tradition Golf Club and TLGA, as well as an annual computer handicap fee.**
 3. may play as an alternate on league day when space is available and will be included in weekly prize money.
 4. shall have no voting rights.

ARTICLE 4: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- A. **The President will appoint an Election Committee for the purpose of :**
 - 1. **Posting a sign-up sheet in the Member Room no later than September 1 for any Active Member interested in serving on the Board.**
 - 2. **Distributing ballots with the proposed slate of officers to every Active Member no later than October 1.**
 - 3. **Collecting and counting the ballots no later than October 30.**
- B. The President of the current Board will convene a meeting with the incoming Board to propose the following year's budget to be presented to the Active Members for vote at the last annual Membership Meeting.
- C. The new officers shall **be introduced at the Year End Awards Meeting.**

ARTICLE 5: OFFICERS

- A. The Officers shall be elected by ballot by a simple majority of the Active Members.
- B. The Officers shall consist of the President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian.
- C. The term of each office shall be one year **commencing December 1.**

ARTICLE 6: DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

- A. **President** shall preside at all meetings and approve all activities of the Association. She shall appoint any special chairpersons or committees she deems necessary including a yearly internal auditor of all funds.
- B. **1st Vice President** will be in charge of the weekly league day tournaments, assist in any other tournaments, and appoint a Handicap/Rules Assistant. She will assist the President at all times in the fulfillment of her duties and shall preside at all meetings and events in the absence of the President.
 - 1. The Handicap/Rules Assistant shall assist with weekly league play as necessary.
- C. **2nd Vice President** will be in charge of all league-sanctioned events. She will assist the President and 1st Vice President in the fulfillment of their duties and will preside at all meetings and events in the absence of the President and 1st Vice President.
- D. **Secretary** shall keep minutes of all meetings, attendance, maintain a current membership roster, handle any correspondence with the Association and any other duties assigned by the President.
- E. **Treasurer** shall handle all finances of the Association and keep a record of such. She shall deposit all monies in a local bank in the name of the Association. She or the President should sign all checks. She shall report on the financial condition of the Association at any meeting thereof. At year-end, she shall prepare a budget for the ensuing year and see that a minimum of \$60 is available for transfer to the new Treasurer and submit the records for audit. Excess funds at year's end will become part of the next year's budget whose use will be approved by full membership during budget approval at the first meeting.
- F. **Historian** shall be responsible for the league scrapbook, the taking of pictures for all special events, providing information to the Newsletter, and maintaining the bulletin board.
- G. **Vacancy on the Board**
 - 1. The Board may appoint a substitute to fill any vacancy in an elected office until an election by the Active Members can be held.

ARTICLE 7: DUES/FEES

The Board shall determine the annual dues based on the proposed budget for the coming year (December 1 through November 30). Dues for the TLGA are due no later than December 15th. If dues for the coming year are not received by January 1st, an application for the TLGA will have to be submitted and that person will move to the Associates list for that year.

ARTICLE 8: LEAGUE DAY PLAY

- A. Play is to be held once weekly.
- B. Eight (8) or more players are required to constitute a tournament.
- C. Players must sign up 72 hours prior to league day.
- D. Cancellations must be made 24 hours prior to league day.
- E. No Shows and excessive cancellations will be referred to the Board for further action.
- F. The 1st Vice President, as League Day Chairperson, will plan weekly play and determine the prize distribution of the day.
- G. All adjusted game scores are to be posted.

ARTICLE 9: LEAGUE TOURNAMENTS

- A. **Member-Guest** will be open to all members and will be played to full handicap. Guests must have a current USGA Handicap Index.
- B. **Member-Member** will be open to all members and will be played to full handicap.
- C. **Ringer Tournament** will be a two-day net tournament open to all members.
- D. **President's Cup** will be open to members having played 12 league days prior to September 1, will be played to full handicap, and will be scheduled after September 1.
- E. **Club Championship** will be open to members having played 12 league days prior to October 1; will be a gross tournament played in flight, except the Championship Flight, which is open to all eligible members, and will be the last tournament of the year.

ARTICLE 10: LEAGUE SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

Annually the Board will review and approve participation in all league-sanctioned events. Participation will count towards attendance if played on a scheduled league day.

ARTICLE 11: MEETINGS

There shall be a minimum of three league meetings held each year. Meetings shall be conducted under basic Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE 12: SPECIAL AWARDS

- A. To be eligible for awards at the end of the year, members must play in at least 50% of the weekly league day tournaments by November 30.
- B. Awards will be given for Overall Low Gross, Overall Low Net, Lowest Gross, Lowest Net, Lowest Putts, Low Ringer Board, Most Birdies, Most Improved Handicap, **Eagles** and Holes-in-One.
- C. Birdies, Eagles, and Holes-in-One only apply on league day and league-sanctioned tournaments. Birdies and eagles must be holed out for inclusion in league statistics and awards.
- D. Birdie and eagle awards will be given to first-time qualifiers only regardless of times such qualifiers played during the year.
- E. The Board may include other awards at their discretion.

ARTICLE 13: AMENDMENTS

- A. The By-Laws of the Tradition Ladies' Golf Association are established for the purpose of maintaining an efficient and equitable administration for the membership. They also serve as the basis for understanding the general duties of each officer and chairperson and for establishing ease and continuity when newly elected members assume various offices.
- B. The By-Laws may be appended, amended, repealed, or supplemented by the Board after approval of a two-thirds vote of the Active Membership at a meeting held in accordance with the provisions contained herein.

As reviewed and adopted by the membership on *the 26th day of May 2005*

The Tradition Ladies' Golf Association

By: *Rachel G. Coletti*
Rachel Coletti, President

By: *Celise McLaughlin*
Celise McLaughlin 1st Vice President

By: *Clare Kelly*
Clare Kelly, 2nd Vice President

By: *Joan Sheldon*
Joan Sheldon, Secretary

By: *Dot Ellison*
Dot Ellison, Treasurer

By: _____
Elma DiMona, Historian

LEAGUE MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 18TH, 2005 2:00pm

Open Meeting

1. **Reading of the Minutes of October, 2004 meeting.**
2. **Report from the Treasurer/ Acceptance of budget (vote)**
3. **Announce members having various duties**
4. **League Meeting dates**
5. **Updated Member list**
6. **Bobbie Fleiss (State)**
7. **Discuss letter to Darrell**
8. **Inter Club (vote)**
9. **Discuss new proposals on weekly play**
10. **TLGA Web Site**
11. **Tournaments**
12. **By-Law addition on dues (vote)****
13. **Carry around rule (vote)*****
14. **Survey Results**
15. **Blue Tees (blind vote)**

Please go over these carefully (you may even print it and bring it with you to the meeting) as we will be voting on these issues

****RE: #12**

The Board recommends the following addition to Article 7 in the By-Laws. Dues for the TLGA are due no later than December 15th. If dues for the coming year are not received by January 1st, an application for the TLGA will have to be submitted and that person will move to the Associates List for that year.

Rationale: It is necessary for the Treasurer and all Board Members to know the number of anticipated members for the coming year in order to construct a realistic budget for the new league year. This is even more important in light of the reduced number of play dates imposed by the Golf Club's restriction that all tournaments be played on Thursdays only.

*****RE: #13 CARRY AROUND RULE**

A few comments in the survey dealt with the carry around rule. Below are some options regarding continuing, modifying or eliminating this rule.

- Option 1:** Continue as is (1 ball in the water and a **carry around stroke**, 2 balls in the water no **carry around stroke**).
- Option 2:** Player continues to hit until they cross the hazard. (No **carry around stroke**, no drop areas).
- Option 3:** Totally eliminate the **carry around stroke** after hitting 1 ball in the hazard.
- Option 4:** Require that all players make at least **2 attempts** to cross the hazard before they proceed to the drop area. (No **carry around stroke**)

**TRADITION LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION
LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2005**

Meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM

A motion to waive the reading of the October 17, 2004 League Meeting minutes was made by April Kuruc and seconded by Gail Lee. Motion was **PASSED**.

TREASURER'S REPORT/ BOARD PROPOSED 2005 BUDGET

The first item on the agenda was the Treasurer's Report presented by Dot Ellison. Dot asked that all members add a "carryover from 2004" amount of \$325 to the budget previously distributed to the membership. Dot also explained that the reduction of the 50/50 budgeted amount was because the 2005 Tournaments have to be scheduled on league days thereby reducing the number of regular weekly play days.

A motion to accept the budget was made by April Kuruc and seconded by Pat D'Amato.

Trudy Hart then questioned why the Member/Guest (M/G) tournament was budgeted for \$375 and the President's Cup (PC) and Club Championship(CC) were budgeted for \$225 each. Since only a small percentage of the membership participate in the PC and CC and the MG is our most prestigious tournament, she feels that the amounts budgeted are disproportionate. She then made a motion that: **The league reduce the amounts of money allocated to the President's Cup and Club Championship and re-allocate these amounts to the Member/Guest.** Rachel then asked Trudy for some specifics as to the amounts to be re-allocated and Trudy replied that since this was the first time she had seen the budget, she did not as yet have any specific figures in mind.

To allow for further discussion on Trudy's motion, April Kuruc withdrew her motion.

Sally McKenna then asked if \$25 was taken away from both the PC and the CC what would this accomplish? April Kuruc then stated that the CC now has 5 flights. Having only \$100 to allocate across 5 flights is not much money. Pat D'Amato stated that she also felt that the M/G is our prestige tournament and should be the nicest. Bobbie Fleiss then suggested that rather than budget a specific amount to a tournament, we should allocate a certain amount per player. The more players a tournament has, the more monies that tournament would be allocated. Ginni Swenson stated that it would be more helpful if the membership knew what expenses were incurred by each tournament. Dot answered that the budgeted amounts go primarily to tournament prizes. April Kuruc agreed that the M/G is prestigious but the PC and the CC are also special league tournaments. She would recommend that we take any needed monies away from the Member/Member (M/M). Ginni Swenson agreed that monies could be taken from the M/M but emphasized that the food part of each tournament is self-sustaining. Gail McLaughlin asked if those tournaments that the survey showed a number of members wanted eliminated were tournaments to which budget monies were allocated. The answer is no. Pat Shriver suggested we reduce the M/M by \$100 and the PC and CC by \$25 each and add these amounts to the M/G budget. April Kuruc suggested we take \$50 from the M/M and \$25 each from the PC and CC. Trudy felt that the PC and CC were still being allocated too much given the cost of the 2004 M/G. She also felt we could reduce the entry fee of the M/G if we increase the budgeted amount. Rachel answered that the amount spent on the 2004 M/G was because of a mistake. Without this mistake, the 2004 M/G would have been under budget. Maureen reminded the members that there are no food monies in the budgeted amounts. These amounts are strictly for prizes as a reward to those members who play and support the league.

Finally Pat D'Amato made a motion that: **The League reduce the Board proposed budgeted amounts for the PC and the CC by \$25 each and add this \$50 to the Board proposed M/G budgeted amount.** The motion was seconded by Nancy Malara and was **PASSED**.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Rachel Coletti announced that:

1. Marsha Smith and Sue Ebbitt would be responsible for the 2005 Ringer Board.
2. Pat D'Amato would act as the 2005 Handicap Chair

3. Gail Lee would be the Chairperson for the 2005 Awards Luncheon. This will be held in November, 2005 to accommodate the installation of the new Board.
4. Pat D'Amato, Ginni Swenson and Gail Lee will form an Ad Hoc committee to review the current by-laws for any discrepancies/inconsistencies.

April Kuruc asked about the time frame of the statistics to be included in the 2005 Year End awards. Rachel Coletti answered that for 2005, the awards would be based on the statistics from December 1, 2004 through October 31, 2005 because the November 2004 statistics were already included in the 2004 awards. In the future, the statistics year will be from November 1 through October 31.

LEAGUE MEETING DATES

To make it easier for members to plan their schedules, Rachel announced that, baring unforeseen circumstances, future league meeting dates for 2005 are May 26 at 9:30 AM and October 20 at 9:30 AM.

UPDATED MEMBERSHIP LIST

Joan Sheldon asked that all members review the current membership list that she provided and make any corrections. She will make any necessary updates and make copies that will be put in the Members' Room at the clubhouse.

STATE TOURNAMENTS

Rachel announced that we sent a card to Connie Hazard thanking her for all her work as our State Representative these past years. She then announced that Bobbie Fleiss would be assuming these duties. Bobbie Fleiss gave an overview of the 2005 State Tournament Association including its background, rule and fees. She also provided copies of the 2005 Tournament Schedule. Bobbie Fleiss and Celise McLaughlin will be attending a State Tournament meeting in Columbia on February 2, 2005.

LEAGUE RESPONSE TO DARRELL CHILDER'S SURVEY

Rachel Coletti announced that the 2005 Board proposes that we send a letter to Darrell on behalf of TLGA. In this letter we would address the issues regarding the maintenance and proper positioning of the Red and Blue Tees and the food selection and quality in the clubhouse snack bar. The membership agreed with sending this letter.

INTER CLUB TOURNAMENT

Rachel Coletti asked for a show of hands from those members who want to continue the Inter Club tournament. 10 members raised their hands. Rachel then asked which of these members would volunteer to run the tournament. Sandy Blais asked about the other tournaments that the survey showed members wanted eliminated. Rachel responded that all these other tournaments already have tournament chairs. Pat Cocuzza asked about what is involved in running the Inter Club. Ginni Swenson responded that she has run it for 3 years and said it's not that much work but takes time because you have to organize 4 leagues. Joan Sheldon reminded the membership that 1 day of the tournament would have to be played at Tradition this year. Celise McLaughlin stated that she needs an answer because the River Club representative has already contacted her. Ginni Swenson asked if the tournament had to be on a Thursday since Darrell Childers has said that all TLGA events must be on Thursdays. Celise McLaughlin said that we could probably get a different day if the tournament was schedule for the summer. Finally, since no one volunteered to be tournament chair, the tournament will be eliminated.

WEEKLY PLAY

The Board proposed the following:

1. That the league initiate a Telephone Tree to deal with any league day cancellations/ delays. Maureen Lempert will call the first person in each foursome. That person will be responsible for calling the other members of her foursome. The league agreed with this proposal.

2. That to help orientate new members to TLGA, members of the Board will take turns playing in the same foursome as the new member. The new member can also request that they be placed in the same foursome as a specific TLGA member. The league agreed with this proposal.
3. That the area around the cart path by the tee-side of the conservation area Hole # 9 be played as "ground under repair". Pat Cocuzza suggested that each player advise their foursome of the situation before picking up their ball. The league agreed with this proposal.

Maureen Lempert reported that a joint 18 holers/9 holers tournament has been scheduled for July 14 with tee times starting at 8 AM. The format of the tournament is as yet to be determined but there will be openings for 32 players – 16 each from the 18 holers and 9 holers. It will be followed by a catered lunch at the pool house.

Maureen then asked that any member with a "first" in league play – for example, first birdie, first time breaking 100, etc – please let Maureen know so that this accomplishment can be noted and recognized at the year end awards luncheon.

In response to the survey results which showed that a percentage of the membership feels that the same members tee off first or always tee off on the first hole, Maureen announced that she has created a tracking report that will show each Thursday's teams and tee off schedule. This report will be updated monthly and kept in the members' room. Also in response to a survey comment, Maureen responded that members should feel free to call her about playing even if that week's sign up sheet has already been taken down.

Pat Shriver then made a motion that the sign up sheet be expanded to allow a member to request that she be paired with a non-smoker. Gail McLaughlin responded that members can ask among their own foursome to switch carts. Rachel Coletti stated that all members should feel free to simply ask another member not to smoke. Pat Shriver's motion was not seconded.

Barbara Nuding asked if we could initiate an "advance" sign up sheet that would allow members to sign up in advance for future Thursdays. Maureen responded that any member can simply let her know in advance what future Thursday(s) they want to play on and she will make sure to sign them up.

TLGA WEBSITE

Celise McLaughlin reported that she has made many changes to the TLGA website. She announced that she has added 6 links to TOURNAMENTS, CALENDAR, BY LAWS, MEETING MINUTES, SHOW AND TELL and SUGGESTION BOX and gave an overview of each link.

TOURNAMENTS

Celise McLaughlin stated that there is a sign up sheet for members to volunteer to help with the 2005 tournaments. Rachel Coletti emphasized that even if you are not playing in a tournament, you can still sign up to help. Celise also announced that the date of the Member/Member tournament has been changed to MAY 5.

BY LAW ADDITION ON MEMBERSHIP DUES

Rachel Coletti first reminded members that their Handicap Fees are due to Tradition Golf Club by January 31.

On behalf of the Board, Rachel then made a motion that ARTICLE 7 of the By Laws be expanded to include the following: **DUES FOR THE TLGA ARE DUE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 15TH. IF DUES FOR THE COMING YEAR ARE NOT RECEIVED BY JANUARY 1ST, AN APPLICATION FOR THE TLGA WILL HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED AND THAT PERSON WILL MOVE TO THE ASSOCIATES LIST FOR THAT YEAR.** Maureen Lempert seconded the motion.

Rachel stated that even though reminders regarding the December 15, 2004 deadline for the 2005 dues were announced beginning in October, 2004 and re-iterated numerous times after that, only half the membership had paid their dues by December 20, 2004. In fact as late as January 6, 2005 Dot Ellison received 6 –7 more checks. Rachel explained that it is difficult to do budget planning if we do not have a more accurate count of the membership. Sally McKenna asked if the budget has to be done by the start of the league year. Rachel Coletti responded that a projected budget does not have to be presented until the first league meeting. The motion was then voted on and **PASSED.**

CARRY AROUND RULE

In response to the survey results, the Board proposed that the membership vote on the various options presented in the League Meeting Agenda for continuing, modifying or eliminating the Carry Around Rule. The options were voted on as follows:

OPTION 1: THE CARRY AROUND RULE CONTINUE AS IS (1 BALL IN THE WATER AND A CARRY AROUND STROKE, 2 BALLS IN THE WATER AND NO CARRY AROUND STROKE). 16 Members voted in favor of this option.

OPTION 2: PLAYER CONTINUE TO HIT UNTIL THEY CROSS THE HAZARD (NO CARRY AROUND STROKE, NO DROP AREAS) was the next option proposed and received no votes in favor.

OPTION 4: REQUIRE THAT ALL PLAYERS MAKE AT LEAST 2 ATTEMPTS TO CROSS THE HAZARD BEFORE THEY PROCEED TO THE DROP AREA. (NO CARRY AROUND STROKE) was the next proposal. 1 Member voted in favor of this option.

OPTION 3: TOTALLY ELIMINATE THE CARRY AROUND STROKE AFTER HITTING 1 BALL IN THE HAZARD was the final proposal. This option was **PASSED** with 18 members voting in favor.

After the vote, Veronica Bucello stated that some members hit the ball in a hazard on purpose. She continued that this speaks more to the character of the person and hopes that we will all simply try our best. Maureen Lempert responded that the rules are there for every member to use to their advantage.

SURVEY RESULTS

Rachel Coletti announced that we received 44 completed surveys and thanked the membership for their response. The answers to some of the survey questions and comments will be on the TLGA website and there will be a suggestion box in the members' room. Rachel then asked that those members that responded that they would like certain tournaments eliminated please gave a further explanation as to why. Joan Sheldon stated that the number of members who responded that they wanted a tournament eliminated did not correspond to the number of members who responded that a tournament was too competitive, too expensive or that they did not like the tournament's format.

Maryann Keller then suggested that the Ringer tournament be open only to those with 30 and over handicaps and the Club Championship be open to those with handicaps of 29 and less. Ginni Swenson and Joan Sheldon both responded that the Ringer tournament has always been a team tournament in which you can select your own partner. Maryann then stated that she meant the President's Cup not the Ringer tournament. April Kuruc responded that the league is sometimes divisive enough. We should not further split the league by handicap.

Rachel Coletti then asked that the member who commented in the survey that the league seems to have different rules for weekly play than for tournaments to please give her an explanation of these different rules.

BLUE TEES

Again, in response to the survey results in which 22 members responded that they felt there should be a separate prize pool for Blue Tee players, the Board presented the following proposal for league vote: **THAT THERE BE A SEPARATE PRIZE POOL FOR BLUE TEE PLAYERS WHEN THE GAME BEING PLAYED MAKES IT POSSIBLE (AS DETERMINED BY THE WEEKLY GAMES' CHAIRPERSON) AND THERE ARE AT LEAST TWO (2) BLUE TEE PLAYERS COMPETING.**

Sally McKenna asked if there were any restrictions on who could play from the Blue Tees. The response was NO. Gail McLaughlin then asked why we are voting on only this one issue regarding Blue Tee play. Rachel Coletti responded that the Board is simply reacting to the survey results. Gail McLaughlin then made a motion that we return to the original requirements for Blue Tee eligibility namely that: **A MEMBER MUST BE AT LEAST 70 YEARS OF AGE OR MUST HAVE A 38.7 OR HIGHER INDEX FROM THE RED TEES.** Joan Davis seconded the motion. In the ensuing discussion, Clare Kelly asked if there had also been a medical requirement in the initial requirements the answer to which was no. Pat Cocuzza suggested we add a medical exemption to which Joan Sheldon responded that first, a medical exemption could be come too subjective and secondly, members can change to Blue Tee play on a quarterly basis. Joan Davis questioned why we could not use the scorecard handicap to

determine Blue Tee eligibility. The response was that the scorecard handicap was 25 + which would mean that a high percentage of the league would then be eligible. A vote was then taken on Gail McLaughlin's motion and the motion was **PASSED**. This change does not effect any current Blue Tee players.

A discussion then ensued regarding the maximum handicap for Blue Tee players. Betty Ruff stated that she felt the Blue Tee maximum of 32 was too high. Ginni Swenson stated hat based on her discussions with Darrell Childers regarding handicap indexes and the course and slope ratings for the Red and Blue Tees, the maximum Blue Tee handicap should be 29 rather than the 32 the league is currently using. Rachel Coletti stated that effective immediately, the Blue Tee Maximum will be 29. Ginni Swenson stated that based on the handicaps of the current Blue Tee players, all Blue Tee players will be playing with a 29 handicap. This change will take effect February 1st.

The Board then distributed ballots for a blind vote on the proposal regarding a separate prize pool for Blue Tee players. The vote was 25 against and 12 for. The proposal was **NOT PASSED**.

OTHER BUSINESS

Joan Davis stated that she felt that Diane Mendenhall was treated unfairly in not being granted an exemption to the 12 round requirement for maintaining Active member status as Diane was unable to play in 2004 due to a broken foot and did not receive an exemption application. Joan Sheldon replied that a letter and application was mailed to Diane but that the sending of this letter was simply a courtesy and not a league requirement. April Kuruc also stated that the 12 round requirement has been in effect for years and all members should be aware of this rule.

Maureen Lempert made a motion that the meeting be adjourned and was seconded by April Kuruc. Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM

Respectfully submitted by Joan Sheldon

TLGA MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, May 26 at 9:30am

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of January 18th Meeting's Minutes
- III. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Budget overview
 - b. Income/Expense update
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Milestone award
 - b. Meeting date change
 - c. Dates for next birthday celebrations
 - d. Vote on Bi-Law committee recommended changes
 - i. Article 3 A 1 and D 2
 - ii. Article 12 B add Eagles
 - iii. Article 13 B add present
- V. New Business
 - a. Discuss request for league blind voting
 - b. Vote on acceptance of Clare Kelly
 - c. Vote on acceptance of Celise McLaughlin
 - d. Relate discussion w/Darrell re: Thursday play
 - e. Vote on Bi-Law changes (see attached)
 - i. Article 3 A 3
 - ii. Article 4 A and C
- VI. Report from Clare
- VII. Report from Celise
- VIII. Other new business (League comments or suggestions)
- IX. Adjournment

Below are the additions and/or changes suggested to the Bi-Laws. Those in red are from the Bi-Law Committee and those in blue are from the board. An explanation will be given at the meeting.

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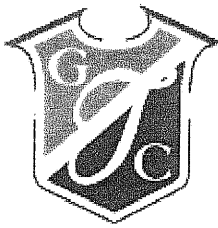
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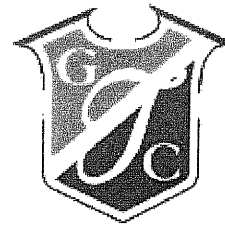
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**TRADITION LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION
LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES
MAY 26, 2005**

Meeting was called to order by Rachel Coletti at 9:30 AM. 25 Members were in attendance including 5

A motion to waive the reading of the January 18, 2005 League Meeting minutes was made by April Ku Lempert. Motion was **PASSED**.

I. CLAY'S REPORT ON GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE

Clay requested to address the league with the following information:

- The changeover from winter rye to Bermuda grass is 75% complete
- The course will be closed June 6,7 and 8 for aeration.
- They will be doing laser leveling of the Red Tees on holes 2 and 15. These tees will be out of play
- The new Blue Tees should be open in 2-3 weeks
- The repairing/repaving of the cart paths on holes 1,7,9,10,13 and 14 will start approx. June 14
- The rough was not over seeded so it should not be as deep. Also, the course purchased new mowers 1 ½ inches for the summer and to 2 inches starting in September

In response to members questions /comments, Clay

- Agreed to look at the Red Tees on holes 12 and 16 to see if these tee areas could be enlarged
- Explained that the plans to move the 16th green have been postponed in favor of painting the clubhouse while the course is closed on June 6 – 8.
- Agreed to add an opening in the fence near the Blue Tee on the 8th hole
- Explained that while his maintenance crew tries to keep out of the way of the golfers, that at times that any member with a complaint / comment regarding the maintenance crew please contact him

Lastly, Clay thanked the league for contributing to the recent luncheon held for the maintenance crew.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

The first item on the agenda was the Treasurer's Report given by Dot Ellison. Dot reported that the audit showed that all auditing requirements have been met. She also reported that the League currently has income of \$1575.00. The treasury's balance to date is \$1774.06.

III. OLD BUSINESS

1. Rachel Coletti announced that:
 - o The date of the next league meeting has been changed from October 20, 2005 to **November 10, 2005**.
 - o The date of the next "birthday celebration" will be **Thursday, July 28** after golf. We will be in April, May, June and July. If anyone still wants to sign up to have their birthday included DiMona.
2. Rachel then presented a **"MILESTONE" AWARD TO DAUNE BARKSDALE**. Daune broke 100 never given her award. Rachel reminded all players to please mark all milestones on their score recognized.
3. The By-Law Committee's recommendations regarding changes to **BY-LAW 3.A, BY-LAW 3.A.1** were voted on and **APPROVED**.
4. The By-Law Committee's recommendation regarding adding the word "present" to BY-LAW 13B

In the discussion that followed, Maureen Lempert stated that by rejecting this modification, all other By approved should be nullified. Debbie Massie expressed the opinion that ALL members should vote on voting could be done via e-mail and/or a box in the members room. Debbie Massie made a motion that **BYLAWS MAY BE APPENDED, AMENDED, REPEALED OR SUPPLEMENTED BY THE BOARD AT THIRDS VOTE OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP**. The motion was seconded by Sandy Blais but was F

Rachel stated that there was ample notice regarding today's meeting plus a published agenda so there attendance. She further stated that if you send ballots via e-mail, some members might not understand meeting. April Kuruc stated that the league has in the past always used a 2/3 vote of the members in a changes. She stressed that we are now simply trying to put in writing what we have always done in act in the past when the league has sent such things as ballots/surveys out via e-mail and/or paper copies than two-thirds.

Pat Kemper then asked whether the two-thirds vote of the members "present" would be only for issues advance or also for issues that come up at the meeting. Rachel Coletti answered that the Board tries to advance and that, if necessary, issues can always be tabled till the next meeting.

Maureen Lempert then made a motion that we vote on the Board's recommendation. This motion was later withdrawn.

Sandy Blais then asked why the adding of the word "present" was proposed. Ginni Swenson answered asked to bring the By-Laws into compliance with the league's actual practice. Upon Sandy's recommen this issue.

Judy Gambeski stated that feedback that she has gotten from several members is that they don't attend the voting results are never in their favor so therefore their votes really don't count. She also stated the unhappy because they are not allowed to vote. Maryann Keller agreed with Judy. In response, Joan St always expect a vote to go according to their opinions but that even so the only way to be heard is to attend that the "carry around" rule was changed because enough members showed up and voted to change it stated that the Board has given advance notice for meetings and published agendas – we do not know attend. Finally, Debbie Massie stated that members should remember that meetings are simply league should not take issues, discussions and/or disagreements personally.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. BLIND VOTING

Rachel Coletti stated that in the January meeting the Board conducted "blind" voting on certain issues. Feedback from members asking why "blind" voting is not always used.

Maryann Keller felt that we should change to "blind" voting if one of the reasons members don't attend is "open" voting. April Kuruc emphasized that "blind" voting would mean that the meetings would be manually counted. Rachel proposed that ballots could be pre-printed and distributed at the meetings. All issues to be voted on would have to be pre-printed on one ballot sheet to save time. Maureen then stated that the Board should solicit from the full membership their opinion regarding "blind" voting via an e-mail.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF CLARE KELLY AS 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Rachel Coletti asked if there were any other nominations for 2nd Vice President. There were none. Clare Kelly for this position was **APPROVED**.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF CELISE MCLAUGHLIN AS 1st VICE PRESIDENT

Rachel Coletti asked if there were any other nominations for 1st Vice President. There were none. Celise McLaughlin for this position was **APPROVED**.

4. DISCUSSIONS WITH DARRELL

Rachel Coletti reported that the Board is doing what it can to make other playing arrangements if regular Thursday. She stated that Celise did not find out from Darrell that we would not be able to

May 26 until the beginning of May. Where possible in such cases, we will try to move League play already play on Tuesdays.

In regards to the Ringer tournament, Rachel reported that Darrell was unhappy with the post tournament it was decided that for future tournaments, the Tournament Chairperson will have control over the tournament and will announce "last call" and then speak with Debbie regarding distributing any remaining food.

5. VOTE ON BOARD RECOMMENDED BY-LAW CHANGES

Joan Sheldon explained that the Board's reasoning for modifying **Article 3.A.3** was that as current members who joined TLGA after 2004. Pat D'Amato asked if such members would be active or associate and responded that as is currently written they would retain their active membership though she feels April Kuruc agreed that such a member would retain whatever status they currently have. Rachel then proposed the "2004" cutoff date should be eliminated and got a "YES" response. Sandy Blais stated that she would like to know if you have a break in paying dues you cannot rejoin. Grace Davis expressed a concern that the league would be questioned what would happen if allowing non-residents to continue their membership resulted in a loss of new residents. Rachel responded that the 65 is the number of active members not total members and you must stay an associate member if you come back as an associate or can you still become an active member 12 times. In conjunction with this, Ginni Swenson requested a reading of current By-Law Article 3.B which would allow an associate to active status. This Article would be still be in effect thereby allowing any associate member upon playing 12 times if active membership is not full. The Board's motion to modify Article 3.A.3 was **APPROVED**.

Rachel Coletti then explained that the Board's reasoning for modifying **Articles 4A, 4C and 5C** was to align the Board in sync with the league year (December 1 through November 30) and make the transition smoother. These modifications were all **APPROVED**.

V. REPORT ON TOURNAMENTS FROM CLARE KELLY

Clare reported that to date the league has had two (2) events, the Ringer Tournament and the Member Tournament. Clare reported that she will be the Chair of the upcoming tournaments to give updates on their respective tournaments. April Kuruc reported on the Member/Guest which is scheduled for June 2. Maureen Lempert reported on the Pawleys Match Play which is scheduled for June 29. Pat Cocuzza reported on the 18 / 9 Hokers tournament which is scheduled for July 14. Joan Sheldon reported on the 18 / 9 Hokers tournament which is scheduled for July 31st. Clare then reported that there are sign up sheets in the Members' Room for the upcoming tournaments. One of which is the four club tournament with Tradition, River Club, Heritage and Pawleys. The second tournament is with Tradition and Litchfield. Lastly, Clare reported that the Ringer tournament play was rained out, it has been re-scheduled for September 27 so that the plaque can be updated with the new date.

VI. REPORT ON WEEKLY PLAY FROM CELISE MCLAUGHLIN

Celise:

1. reported that the sign up sheet to switch tees from Blue To Red or Red to Blue is posted in the n

2. asked that all players record any "milestones" on their weekly scorecards so they are not overloc
3. asked that members please sign up to help with weekly play
4. direct any complaints regarding weekly play to her

Maureen Lempert then requested that the league no longer sell mulligans on weekly play days. Ginni & mulligans are not in the spirit of league play and that for handicap purposes we cannot post scores if w Sheldon responded that she had initially raised the idea of selling mulligans as a way to add monies to the cost of the year-end award luncheon. Joan also stated that if mulligans are sold on days of such ga captain's choice, you cannot post a score anyway. Celise agreed to no longer sell mulligans.

VII. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business raised from the floor.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Debbie Massie and seconded by April Kuruc. Meeting was adjourne

Respectfully submitted by Joan Sheldon

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TLGA MEETING AGENDA

2005

Thursday, November 10 at 9:30am

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of May 26th Meeting's Minutes
- III. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Budget overview
 - b. Income/Expense update
- IV. Vote acceptance of Betty Ruff (for replacement of Elma Dimona)
- IV. Old Business
 - a. November 17th for next birthday celebration
 - b. Discuss results for league blind voting (see below)
 - c. Vote on Bi-Law committee recommended changes
 - i. Article 13 B add word PRESENT
- V. New Business
 - a. Report of new ratings for RED and BLUE tees *Red Index now 36.4 & up - Blue highest will be 28*
 - b. Report on "excused" membership requests.
C- ELIMINATE RINGER BOARD?
D- Due due 12/15 - INTRO - NEW BOARD
- VI. Report from Clare
- VII. Report from Celise
- VIII. Other new business (League comments or suggestions)
(Please, do not motion to adjourn the meeting until you are sure no one has anything to say)
- IX. Adjournment

Below are the changes recommended to the Bi-Laws. An explanation will be given at the meeting.

ARTICLE 13: AMENDMENTS

AS IT IS NOW

- B. The By-Laws may be appended, amended, repealed, or supplemented by the Board after approval of a two-thirds vote of the Active Membership at a meeting held in accordance with the provisions contained herein.

SUGGESTED CHANGE:

The By-Laws may be appended, amended, repealed, or supplemented by the Board after approval of a two-thirds vote of the Active Membership **PRESENT** at a meeting held in accordance with the provisions contained herein.

REASON FOR CHANGE:

At the May 26, 2005 TLGA league meeting, the Board presented a motion that By-Law Article 13B be modified to include the word "present" and thereby read as follows:

THE BY-LAWS MAY BE APPENDED, AMENDED, REPEALED OR SUPPLEMENTED BY THE BOARD AFTER OF A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP PRESENT AT A MEETING HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED HEREIN.

This motion was based on the By-Law Committee's recommendation that such a modification would bring the wording of Article 13B in compliance with what the league has always been doing in actual practice.

Several members at the meeting expressed their opposition to the motion. In their opinion, any By-Law change should only be approved by a two-thirds vote of the full active membership not just those members present at a meeting. In response, other members noted that the average attendance at any league meeting is only around **50%** of the full active membership. As such, the league would be hard-pressed to vote on and/or approve any modifications. It was then suggested that league voting could be done via email and/or anonymous ballots that could be dropped off in the members' room. After much further discussion, the motion to modify Article 13B was tabled.

At this same meeting, the issue of whether to do any future voting by "blind" balloting was raised. It was suggested that this issue be presented to the full active membership via email and with copies in the members' room. This was done by Rachel Coletti with the membership given the option of responding via e-mail to Rachel or returning a hardcopy ballot in a box in the members' room. As of the June 30 cutoff date, Rachel received 25 responses - again approximately 50 % of the full active membership.

At this point, the Board is at a loss on how to proceed regarding league voting and the currently required two-thirds vote. As stated above, we usually get only about 50 % attendance at meetings and, although tried only once, presenting the full membership a voting opportunity via e-mail/anonymous ballots also resulted in only about a **50%** response. It seems that if we continue to require a vote of the full active membership for By-Law changes, we may rarely, if ever, meet the two-thirds requirement.

**TRADITION LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION
LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 10, 2005**

Meeting was called to order by Rachel Coletti at 9:35 AM. 26 Members were in attendance including 6 Board members.

A motion to waive the reading of the May 26, 2005 League Meeting minutes was made by Maureen Lempert and seconded by Clare Kelly. Motion was **APPROVED**.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT

The first item on the agenda was the Treasurer's Report given by Dot Ellison. Dot reported on the 2005 Projected vs. Actual budgets and explained that the increase in income was due to 1. An increase in membership to 65 members rather than the projected 58 members and 2. An increase in 50/50 monies due to both this increase in membership and the \$189 in 50/50 monies collected by TLGA at the Memorial Day tournament. The Board agreed to use some of these surplus monies to offset the cost of the year-end Awards Luncheon. Dot also proposed that other of this surplus be used to increase the year end tips given to the Tradition Staff from \$300 to \$340. Dot proposed that we not increase the tips too much as this would set a precedent for future years when the league might not have as great a surplus. The proposed tips were as follows:

James: \$50	Rich: \$30
Mike: \$30	Bobby: \$50
Debbie: \$50	June: \$50
Pam: \$20	Diane: \$20
Jan: \$20	Marianne: \$20

Daune Barksdale then asked why the league was not allocating any tip monies for Lee. Rachel answered that Lee was new to Tradition and in past years TLGA had not given tip monies to new employees. Veronica Bucello suggested that in addition to Dot's proposed tips, the league also allocate \$10 to Lee bringing the total tip monies to \$350. This was voted on and **APPROVED**.

Dot then reported that the Awards Luncheon committee will determine the final cost of the luncheon.

Lastly, Dot reported that we will still have some additional income from the remaining weekly play days and that this income will be used to pay for the pizza at the November 17, 2005 birthday celebration.

II. ACCEPTANCE OF BETTY RUFF AS HISTORIAN

Rachel Coletti proposed a vote on the acceptance of Betty Ruff to the office of Historian to replace Elma DiMona. This was **APPROVED**.

III. OLD BUSINESS

1. Rachel Coletti reminded everyone – whether playing golf that day or not - to sign up for the November 17, 2005 birthday celebration.
2. Rachel then discussed the results of the “test trial” of allowing league members to vote via E-mail or by hardcopy ballots left in the members’ room. The issue selected for this e-mail vote was whether the league should use blind voting for all future votes. Rachel opened this discussion by reading the letter that was attached to the league meeting agenda. This letter stated that even this e-mail vote resulted in only a 50% response. As such, the Board feels that based on the attendance at league meetings and the results of this e-mail vote, it will be impossible to ever get a two-thirds vote on any issue.
3. In conjunction with item 2 above, Rachel proposed that the league again vote on the By-Law Committee’s recommendation that we add the word “**present**” to By Law Article 13B.
NOTE: this issue was tabled from the May 26, 2005 League Meeting.

Barbara Nuding then suggested that we allow for absentee ballots for those members who have a legitimate reason for being unable to attend a league meeting – for example an illness or a doctor’s appointment. Rachel questioned who would decide what was “legitimate” to which Barbara and Maureen Lempert responded that the Board could decide.

Pat Kemper and Maureen Lempert then raised the point that if the league allows for absentee ballots, the league could **not** vote on any issues other than those included on a pre-distributed agenda. Ginni Swenson stated that the by-law would have to be re-written to specify that absentee ballots would only apply for those issues already on the agenda.

Dot Ellison then stated that members who vote by absentee ballot would not be part of any discussions that occur at the league meeting itself and, therefore, may not be fully informed about an issue.

Pat Shriver then stated that she felt that “legitimate” excuses should also include such things as vacations and/or being out of town. Rachel responded that the more excuses we give members, the less likely they are to attend meetings.

Finally, Rachel’s motion that the word “**present**” be added to Article 13B was seconded by Maureen Lempert. The motion was voted on and **APPROVED**

Next, Rachel asked if anyone wanted to discuss Barbara Nuding’s proposal that the league allow absentee ballots in case of excused absences. Gail McLaughlin responded that excused absences would only effect possibly 3 – 4 members for each meeting. Both Gail and Pat D’Amato stated that even if we allow for excused absences, the attendance at our meetings would still be too low. Both Gail and Pat Kemper furthered stated that it would be difficult to decide what is a “legitimate” excuse for not attending a meeting. Barbara’s motion was **not** seconded.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Rachel Coletti explained that there are new **Slope and Course Ratings** for both the Red and Blue tees. These are posted in the members' room. Based on these new ratings, the new maximum handicap index for the league should be 36.4 resulting in a maximum handicap of 40 from the Red Tees and a maximum handicap of 28 from the Blue Tees. Clare Kelly asked if there would also be a re-ranking of the individual holes. Celise replied that the league will work with Darrell on possible re-rankings before new scorecards are printed.

Judy Migas asked why these new Slope and Course ratings result in higher handicaps for the members. Joan Sheldon responded that since the course is now considered more difficult than it was before, players consequently would need more strokes to offset this increase in difficulty. Joan also explained how she used a USGA handicap calculator to enter 10 scores of 100 using the old course ratings and slope. This resulted in a handicap index of 27.1 and a corresponding handicap of 28. She then entered these same 10 scores of 100 using the new course ratings and slope. This resulted in a handicap index of 25.7 and a corresponding handicap of 29.

Celise also responded that some of our scores are in the computer with the old slope and ratings and some of the scores are in with the new slopes and ratings. This could result in some "skewed" results in our computer-calculated handicaps. She noted that for league play on Thursday, December 1 she will be using our November 1 handicaps. By mid-December, the handicaps should be ok.

2. Rachel explained that an e-mail went out to those members who were "active" members at the start of the 2005 league year but who had not yet completed the 12 round requirement. This e-mail explained that such members could request a one-year exemption to this requirement and therefore maintain their "active" status for 2006. If anyone else wishes to request an exemption, Rachel asked that they submit a request to the Board.
3. On behalf of the Board, Rachel proposed that the Ringer Board be eliminated. Joan Sheldon explained the reasoning behind this was: 1. if done correctly, the Ringer Board favors the lower handicap players and 2. with players playing from both the Red and Blue tees, it makes it very difficult to accurately track a player's low gross score on each hole. The motion to eliminate the Ringer Board was **APPROVED**.
4. Rachel reminded the members that the dues for the 2006 league year will be \$25 and should be paid by December 15, 2005. Checks should be given to Dot Ellison.
5. Rachel introduced the **2006 Board**:
 - Gail McLaughlin – President
 - Celise McLaughlin – 1st Vice President
 - Betty Ruff – 2nd Vice President
 - Dot Ellison – Treasurer
 - Pat D'Amato – Secretary
 - Maureen Lempert – Historian

V. REPORT ON TOURNAMENTS FROM CLARE KELLY

Clare:

1. reported that the year's tournaments were all successful. The Member/Guest had a new pre-tournament social that was well received and should be continued. Clare also reported that Darrell had mentioned to her that most clubs considered the Member/Guest tournament to be their "major" tournament of the year and that, if we wanted, he would be willing to give us dates to make the Member/Guest a two-day event. In her subsequent discussions with several members, Clare got various responses to Darrell's suggestion. Clare stated that perhaps this could be considered for the 2007 Member/Guest.
2. reported that the names of the 2005 tournament winners had been engraved on the applicable plaques and were all on display in the Tradition Clubhouse. She went on to state that we need more players to sign up for the tournaments, particularly the President's Cup and Club Championship.
3. thanked all the tournament chairpersons and committees for their time and effort in making the tournaments successful.

VI. REPORT ON WEEKLY PLAY FROM CELISE MCLAUGHLIN

Celise:

1. reported that the sign up sheet to switch tees from Blue to Red or Red to Blue will be posted in the members' room. The old course ratings will be used to determine eligibility
2. reminded players that there is a book in the member's room where all this year's "milestones" have been recorded. She asked all players to check this book and let her know if anything has been missed.
3. reported that she will be posting a sign up sheet for members to help her with weekly play. Those that sign up will be helping with determining games and teams, keeping statistics and collecting monies on game days.
4. Reported that she received an e-mail from Sue and Elma and will post this in the member's room.

VII. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Based on her conversations with other league members, Betsy Beyma suggested that on league days we play fewer games and have more days where players can just play their own game. She further stated that some members felt more pressure when playing games and also that the scorekeeping required for some of the games was too involved. Maureen Lempert responded that the league was created as a competitive league and that the league needs to award prizes that will be used in the pro shop. As such, games are required. Maureen also stated that members should play sometimes even if they don't like the game simply to support the league.

Celise responded that in planning the games for 2005 she tried to respond to the survey results in which members selected the types of games that they like to play. Maureen further stated that according to the survey 89% of the players liked team games. Celise also stated that in 2005 she tried each month to have 1 four person team game, 1 two-person team game

and 2 individual games. She suggested that having the weekly play assistants help her with setting up the games and teams in 2006 will allow for more input from the members. Maryanne Keller also agreed that those who don't like the games should sign up to help Celise in 2006.

Joan Sheldon responded that while she could understand how certain members might feel pressure to do well on a team game, that this is a self-imposed pressure. Joan further stated that we are all out there trying to play our best and that she has never heard anyone complain that the play of another team member caused a team not to win.

In regards to the "extra" math involved with some of the games, Ginni Swenson reminded everyone that they do not have to do the math themselves. If they simply record their scores on the scorecards, Celise and the weekly assistants can calculate the game scores when the scorecard is turned in. Veronica Bucello agreed with Ginni and also stated that Celise is doing a good job of responding to the survey.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Maureen Lempert and seconded by Gail McLaughlin. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Sheldon