



CONSTITUTION OF
THE ANGUILLA
GOLF ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the Association shall be “**THE ANGUILLA GOLF ASSOCIATION**” (hereinafter referred to as “**THE AGA**”)

ARTICLE II

STATUS

The AGA shall be an amateur body.

¹ The AGA is a private organization of an associative nature, in compliance with the legislation of Anguilla. Its headquarters shall be situated in the Auckland House, The Quarter, Anguilla or such, as other place in Anguilla as may be decided by resolution by 2/3 majority of those present and entitled to vote at a General or Extraordinary Association Meeting, of which not less than 7 days notice in writing shall be given to all members of the Association.

The AGA is formed for an unlimited period.

² The AGA is a Member of The Eastern Caribbean Golf Association.

³ The flag of AGA is the national flag of Anguilla

⁴ The emblem of AGA is the logo of the AGA.

⁵ The abbreviation of The Anguilla Golf Association is AGA.

ARTICLE III

OBJECTIVES

The objects of The AGA are: -

(a) To improve the game of golf constantly and promote the growth, popularity and enjoyment of the game, regulate and control it throughout the territory of Anguilla in the light of fair play and its unifying, educational, cultural and humanitarian values, particularly through youth and development programmes.

(b) To organize competitions in Golf in all its forms at a national level, by defining precisely, as required, the areas of authority conceded to the various Clubs of which it is composed.

(c) To draw up regulations and provisions and ensure their enforcement.

(d) To protect the interests of its Members;

(e) To Respect and prevent any infringement of the statutes regulations, directives and decisions of R&A ,USGA,ECGA as well as the Laws of Golf and to ensure that these are also respected by its Members;

(f) To prevent all methods or practices which might jeopardise the integrity of matches or competitions or give rise to abuse of Golf.

(g) To control and supervise all tournaments of all forms played throughout the territory of AGA;

(h) To manage international sporting relations connected with golf in all its form;

(i) To host competitions at international and other levels and to arrange tours to other countries.

(j) To adopt, enforce and interpret the rule of amateurism.

(k) To maintain a system of course ratings for the purpose of handicapping under which all competitions of the Association shall be conducted.

(l) To affiliate to or maintain relations with the ROYAL & ANCIENT GOLF CLUB OF ST. ANDREWS, SCOTLAND and the UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION and such other International Amateur Associations as shall have similar aims and objects.

(m) To borrow money to carry out its objects and to give security for its indebtedness.

(n) To accept gifts legacies and devices for the furtherance of its objectives.

(o) To purchase, take on, lease, acquire, hold or dispose of such real and personal, property as may be necessary for its objectives.

(p) To foster relationships with other sporting programs, educational facilities and related committees in Anguilla to better serve the membership and the Island of Anguilla.

ARTICLE IV

HUMANITARIAN RELATIONS

¹ The AGA is neutral in matters of politics and religion.

² Discrimination of any kind against a country, private person or group of people on account of ethnic origin, gender, language, religion, politics or any other reason is strictly prohibited and punishable by suspension or expulsion.

³ The AGA shall promote friendly relations between its Members, Clubs, Officials and Players and in society for humanitarian objectives.

⁴ Every person and organization involved in the game of Golf is obliged to observe the Constitution, regulations and the principles of fair play as well as the principles of loyalty, integrity and sportsmanship.

⁵ AGA shall provide the necessary institutional means to resolve any internal dispute that may arise between Members, Clubs, Officials and Players of Golf...

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP

(a) The Membership of the Association shall consist of Member Clubs, Member Associations, Ordinary Members, Honorary Life Vice-Presidents and Associate Members:

(b)

(i) A MEMBER CLUB shall be any Golf Club in the Island of Anguilla , which is active in the game of Golf and provides facilities for the playing of the game.

(ii) A MEMBER ASSOCIATION shall be any organization in the Island formed for the purpose of promoting and encouraging participation in the game of Golf.

(iii) AN ORDINARY MEMBER shall be any person who is Belonger or Citizen or Resident or Property Owner or a Lessee greater than 6 months or a Work Permit Holder on the Island of Anguilla who is elected to Membership of the AGA in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.

(iv) HONORARY LIFE VICE-PRESIDENT – The AGA may in consideration of meritorious services to the Association elect by simple majority vote, past or present, officers or delegates as Honorary Life Vice-Presidents of the Association, who shall not exceed five (5) in number; provided always that such elected persons shall have been first recommended by the Executive Committee. Such members shall have the right to speak at all General Meetings.

(v) ASSOCIATE MEMBERS shall be any person that is a member of a recognized Golf Association in the Islands of St.Martin, Sint Maarten , St.Kitt's and Nevis and who is elected to Membership of the AGA in accordance with the provisions of this constitution.

(c) Member Clubs and Member Associations shall register all individual members of their respective Clubs and Associations with the Association, and shall supply the General Secretary of the AGA with details and particulars of names and addresses of such Members.

Application for Ordinary Members of the Association and Associate Members of the Association shall be made on a form prescribed by the AGA. All applicants shall be proposed and seconded by a member of the Association, and shall be elected to or refused membership of the Association at any General Meeting of the Association or meeting of the Executive Committee by a simple majority.

ARTICLE VI

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND ENTRANCE FEES

(a) A Member Club shall pay an entrance fee and annual subscriptions as the AGA shall from time to time prescribe.

(b) A Member Association shall pay such entrance fee and annual subscription as the AGA shall from time to time prescribe.

(c) An Ordinary Member and Associate Member shall pay an annual subscription of \$150.00. Annual subscriptions shall become due and payable on the 1st of March in each and every year; if a member is in arrears for 30 days or more, membership of the AGA maybe terminated.

(d) All decisions pertaining to subscriptions and entrance fees shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee in a timely manner for consideration and ratification by the General body.

ARTICLE VII

REPRESENTATION

(a) Each Member Club and Member Association shall appoint two (2) of its members as representatives to all General Meetings of the Association. Such representatives shall have one (1) vote only at all meetings.

(b) Each Ordinary Member shall be entitled to attend in all Periodical Association Meetings and the AGM as called by the Executive Committee. Members in good standing (eg membership dues paid up to date), shall have the right to speak and vote at the meeting.

(c) Each Associate Member shall be entitled to attend in all periodical Association Meetings and the AGM. They shall not have the right to vote at the meeting and may be invited to speak at the discretion of the Chair.

LADIES' COMMITTEE There shall be a Ladies' Committee of the Association which shall be Three (3) in number and whose functions shall be to co-ordinate and supervise all activities among the female members of the Association, and to liase with the Association in the promoting and administering of the game of Golf among ladies in the Island.

One of its members shall be appointed to the Executive Committee of the AGA.

ARTICLE 1X

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(a) The Executive Committee of the Association shall consists of the following: -

(i) The Officers who will consist of The President, Vice President, General Secretary, Treasurer

(ii) Two representatives elected from the Ordinary Members.

(iii) One representative from each Member Club.

(iv) One representative from each Member Association.

(v) One representative from the Ladies' Committee.

(vi) The Immediate Past President.

*(b)*All Members of the Executive Committee shall have the right to speak and vote at all General Meetings of AGA and all Meetings of the Executive Committee.

(c) Five days' notice of any Meeting of the Executive Committee shall be given by the General Secretary provided that in cases of emergency the President shall at any time summon a Meeting on giving forty-eight (48) hours' notice thereof.

(d) The Officers of the AGA shall continue to serve for a period of two (2) years following their election or until their successors shall have been elected. All officers shall be eligible for re-election.

(e) Members elected to the Executive Committee other than officers shall hold office for two (2) years and shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting of the AGA. All such members shall be eligible for re-election.

(f) Any Club/Association shall be at liberty at any time and for such reason as it shall deem fit to terminate the appointment of its member to the Executive Committee, in which case the Club/Association shall forthwith appoint a successor to membership of the Executive Committee.

(g) Except as provided for in the paragraph (f) above all casual vacancies in the members elected to the Executive Committee occurring due to death, resignation or absence from four (4) consecutive meetings without justification of any member may be filled by the Executive Committee from among the members of the AGA until the next Annual General Meetings of the Association.

(h) The Executive Committee shall meet once every quarter or more often if necessary, at such time, date and place as fixed by the President. A QUORUM of the Executive Committee shall be four (4) in number.

ARTICLE X

POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall have and exercise the following powers, duties, functions and obligations:

(a) To manage the affairs and business of the AGA.

(b) To promote, regulate, organize and manage all tournaments or any other competitions which may be sponsored by the Association from time to time.

(c) To prohibit any act or practice by Members of the AGA which in the opinion of the Committee is detrimental to the interest of the game and to deal with any Members disregarding such prohibition in such manner as the Committee may think proper.

(d) To impose penalties on Members for any infringement of the laws of the Game or of the Rules and Regulations of the AGA.

(e) To take such disciplinary action as it may deem necessary in cases of misconduct or any other undesirable behavior of any Member at any such competitions or tournaments as may be sponsored by the AGA.

(f) To decide all doubtful and disputed points in connection with the game and the laws thereof and the Rules and Regulations of the AGA.

(g) To consider and deal with any matters pertaining to applications for affiliation and membership as may be referred to the Committee and to decide on all questions as to the right of representation at General Meetings of any Member Club/Association or the right of members to attend such General Meetings.

(h) To establish and maintain a true course rating of all golf courses in the Island of Anguilla.

(i) To verify, allocate, investigate and determine, if necessary, the handicaps of all members of the Association.

(j) To employ with power to dismiss any person to perform such duties and functions and for such remuneration as the Executive Committee might deem fit.

(k) To borrow money for the business of the AGA and to arrange for the repayment thereof.

(l) To operate Bank Accounts in the name of the AGA.

(m) To delegate all or any of its powers to its duly appointed Committees.

(n) To do all such things in the interest of the game and the Association as it may deem expedient.

ARTICLE XI

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

(a) The Annual General Meeting of the AGA shall be & RESOLUTIONS held on or before the twenty-eighth day of February of each year at such place as the Executive Committee may appoint. The AGA's financial year shall run from the first day of March to the last day of February.

The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be conducted in the following manner:

(i) Reading of the Notice convening the Annual General Meeting.

(ii) Reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General meeting.

(iii) Presentation of audited statement of the financial affairs of the AGA for the year ended.

(iv) Presentation of report on the activities of the AGA for the year ended.

- (v) a) Election of Officers in accordance with Article IX (when constitutionally due).
- (b) Election of additional Members of the Executive Committee in accordance with Article IX. When constitutionally due).

(iv) Appointment of an Honorary Auditor.

(v) Appointment of Bankers.

(vi) Resolutions.

(vii) General business.

Fourteen (14) days' notice in writing of the Annual General Meeting shall be given to all Member Clubs/Associations, Ordinary Members and Associate Members.

RESOLUTIONS

(b) Any Member Club Association may present a resolution for consideration at an Annual General Meeting, provided that notice by way of a copy of such resolution is sent to the General Secretary at least thirty days prior to the Annual General Meeting for distribution with 14 days of the meeting and is duly signed by the Secretary of the Club/Association.

Any other Member may present a resolution for consideration at an Annual General Meeting provided that notice by way of a copy of such resolution is sent to the General Secretary at least 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

(c) An Extraordinary General Meeting of the AGA may except in accordance with the provisions of Article XIII hereof be convened on not less than fourteen (14) days' notice in writing at the instance of the President, or on the requisition of not less than five percent (5%) members in good standing with the AGA who in such requisition given to the President shall set out the purpose of the Meeting. Such requisitioned meeting shall be summoned by the Secretary within fourteen (14) days of the receipt by him of such requisition.

The Notice of an Extraordinary General meeting shall be given to all Members and shall therein state the purpose for which the meeting is called and only the specific matter for which such meeting has been summoned shall be dealt with and considered at such meeting.

QUORUM

- (c) A Quorum at all General Meetings shall be not less than twenty (20) members of the AGA. If within thirty (30) minutes of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present at a meeting of which due notice shall have been given such meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place or if that day be a public holiday the next succeeding day other than a public holiday and the members then present shall constitute a quorum.

WAIVER OF NOTICE

(e) Whenever notice of a meeting is required to be given under the provisions of this constitution a waiver in writing signed by the person entitled to the said notice whether before or after the time stated therein shall be deemed equivalent to Notice. Attendance at any meeting by a member representative or officer shall be conclusively deemed a waiver of notice of that meeting unless objection is made at the commencement of such meeting to the failure to give proper notice.

(f) The President and failing him the Vice-President, then General Secretary, then Treasurer shall preside as Chairman at every General Meeting of the AGA. If none of the above mentioned are there is neither the President nor Vice-President present within fifteen (15) minutes of the time appointed for the holding of the meeting the members present and forming a quorum shall by a simple majority elect one of the members to be Chairman who shall preside at the meeting.

ARTICLE XII

TRUSTEES (a) There shall be two (2) Trustees of the AGA in whom all the movable or immovable property of the AGA shall be vested.

ARTICLE XIII

MEMBERS RIGHTS OF APPEAL

All Member Associations, Member Clubs and Ordinary Members and Associate Members reserve the right to Appeal against any penalties imposed by the Executive Committee in cases of dispute. The Appellant shall be responsible for costs of the Appeal if the findings of the Executive Committee are upheld. The Appeals Committee shall be composed of Law Practitioners acting in the Jurisdiction of Anguilla.

ARTICLE XIV

ALTERATIONS TO CONSTITUTION

No part of this Constitution may be amended, rescinded or altered except at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting specifically summoned for the purpose and passed by a majority of not less than two thirds of those present and entitled to vote.

Notice of any proposed alteration or amendment to this Constitution intended to be introduced at a General Meeting shall be furnished in writing to the General Secretary not less than 30 days before such meeting.

ARTICLE XV

DISSOLUTION The AGA may on a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of its membership decide to dissolve the Association whereupon on a specific date appointed by the Association, the Executive Committee shall proceed to realize the property of the Association and after the discharge of all liabilities the balance, if any, shall be donated to such charities as shall be determined by the Association or shall be donated to the Government of this Island to be used for the benefit of sport in the Island and upon completion of such donation this Association shall be dissolved.

ARTICLE XVI

INTERPRETATION

In case any doubt shall arise as to the meaning of any of the Articles or any regulation of the AGA the interpretation placed thereon by the Executive Committee shall be final and binding upon all members of the AGA.

This Constitution hereafter known as "The Constitution of the Anguilla Golf Association is hereby approved and adopted and shall come into operation forthwith.

SIGNED AND APPROVED

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President
Noel Egan

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Larry Scott', written over a horizontal line.

General Secretary
Larry Scott

DATED THIS 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2015