

# CONSTITUTION AND RULES

of

## The Angus County Golf Association

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# CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be named THE ANGUS COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION. The geographical area of the Association shall include the county of Angus and the City of Dundee.
2. All golf clubs regularly organised within the County and playing over a golf course within the County and having a minimum membership of twenty shall be entitled to membership of the Association. The Association shall be entitled to proof that these conditions have been complied with before admission and that they are maintained thereafter. Any club wishing to withdraw from membership must lodge written notice with the Honorary Secretary not later than 30<sup>th</sup> September.
3. The objectives of the Association shall be :
  - (a) To foster and maintain a high standard of golf in the County
  - (b) To conform as a constituent member to the Constitution of Scottish Golf
  - (c) To arrange matches with other Districts, Associations and Clubs and to participate in fixtures under the jurisdiction of Scottish Golf.
  - (d) To carry through annually the programme of competitions sponsored by the Association.
  - (e) To deal with any matters of general or local interest to golfer of amateur status within the County.
4. Each Club in membership of the Association shall undertake to pay to the Association such annual subscriptions as shall be fixed by the Annual General Meeting.

Each Club shall also pay to Scottish Golf, through the Association, such sums as may be determined by the Scottish Golf Executive for the maintenance of Scottish Golf. Subscriptions shall become due on the first day of the month following the Annual General Meeting. Any Club in membership for a period of less than one year shall notwithstanding be liable for the full year's subscriptions
5. The financial year of the Association shall end on 30<sup>th</sup> September and the accounts shall be duly audited by a financially competent person appointed by the Executive.
6. In addition to any meetings which may be held throughout the year there shall be held annually a General Meeting of the Association at which two Delegates from each member Club will be eligible to attend and each Delegate will have one vote. An accredited Observer from each Club may also attend but shall have no vote.

The date and venue of the Annual General Meeting shall be arranged by the Executive Committee and shall be intimated in writing, along with an abstract of the accounts and annual report, to each club at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting.

7. The purpose of the Annual General Meeting shall be :

(a) to receive reports from the Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Honorary Match Secretary and the Representative to Scottish Golf

(b) to elect the following office bearers :

President

Vice – President,

Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer,

( both offices may be held by one person )

Honorary Match Secretary,

An Executive Committee of up to eight Delegates

These Office – Bearers and Delegates shall be elected for such periods as shall be agreed at General Meeting. They shall conduct the affairs of the Association with powers of co-option. Six shall constitute a quorum. The President shall have a casting vote

(c) to elect an Honorary President and Honorary Vice - Presidents

(d) to transact any other competent business. ( Any proposal for alteration to the Constitution and/or Rules of the Association must be advised in writing to the Honorary Secretary not later than the first day of September prior to the relative Annual General Meeting. On all such matters the decision of a simple majority of the Delegates present at an Annual General Meeting shall be final and all approved alterations shall be notified to member Clubs )

8 (a) The President and Vice – President must be Delegates

of a member Club when elected to the office of Vice - President.

Thereafter either may be replaced as a delegate by the Club of which he is a member.

The Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Match Secretary must be members of, but not necessarily Delegates of a member Club or Clubs. No Club shall have more than four members on the Executive Committee at any one time. The Executive shall nominate one of its number as the Representative to SG. The Executive shall have the power to co-opt any member of a member Club to fill a vacancy on the Executive, or to advise the Executive on a particular matter. A member co-

opted during a year to fill a vacancy shall have his appointment confirmed at the next general meeting. A member so confirmed shall retain his place on the Executive for the time any member he succeeds would have held office. Any past Office Bearer may be re-elected to the Executive whether or not he is a Delegate.

8.(b) The President shall have powers in an emergency to convene or to alter the date of any meeting. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall have voting powers accorded to the President. Seven member Clubs shall have the power to call a Special General Meeting and such a meeting shall be held not later than twenty-one days after the request for it has been received by the Honorary Secretary.

9. (a) The Association is the owner of the following trophies :

- (1) The Strathmore Trophy donated by Patrick, 15<sup>th</sup> Earl of Strathmore, in 1947 to be played for as the Individual Strokeplay Championship.
- (2) The N T Carne Trophy donated for the Matchplay Championship
- (3) The MacLagan Medal for the Runner-up in the Matchplay Championship.
- (4) The Glamis Quaich Trophy donated by Timothy, 16<sup>th</sup> Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorn.
- (5) The John Player Trophy for the Champion of Champions competition.
- (6) The Camperdown Shield donated by the National Cash Register Company for competition by handicap golfers of nine handicap and over.
- (7) The Evening Post Cup, in terms of the conditions laid down by the donors, appearing in the Minute dated 4<sup>th</sup> April 1908, and now played for under the competition known as The County Team Championship.
- (8) The Inter Club Six-Man Team Matchplay Championship Cup donated by the Golf Clubs of Carnoustie. The final of which must be played at the Carnoustie Links.
- (9) The W H W Johnston Trophy for the Seniors Championship ( age 55 years and over )
- (10) The Individual Juniors Strokeplay Championship Trophy donated by J B Scott.
- (11) The George P Grant Trophy for the Juniors Matchplay Championship.
- (12) The Sheriff's Medal for the Runner-up in the Juniors Matchplay Championship.
- (13) The Trophy donated by ex-provost W W Tyndall of Monifieth for the Juniors Team Championship, the conditions appearing in the Minute dated 28<sup>th</sup> November 1931.
- (14) The Trophy for the Youths' Championship

(15) The Braemar Quaich for the Boys' Summer League

(16) The Bett Cup donated for the Boys' under-16 Championship.

- (b) All trophies shall be insured by the Association against all risks.
- (c) All trophies shall remain the property of the Association and shall not, under any circumstances whatsoever, be transferred to any other golfing body or Association, except in the event of the dissolution of the Association, in which case the Executive Committee of the Association shall have power of disposal.
- (d) The conditions of play for the respective trophies shall be decided by the Executive Committee and shall be subject to such alterations as may from experience be deemed expedient, but shall not infringe the terms on which the trophies were donated.
- (c) The current conditions are at Appendices A to N.

## List of Member Clubs

Arbroath Artisans	Logie
Ballumbie Castle	Michelin
Brechin	Monifieth
Broughty	Montrose Caledonia
Caird Park	Montrose Mercantile
Camperdown	New Taymouth
Carnoustie	Panmure
Carnoustie Caledonia	Piperdam
Carnoustie Mercantile	Royal Montrose
Dalhousie	Stationmasters
Downfield	
Edzell	
Forfar	
Gannochy	
Grange	
Kingennie	
Kirriemuir Players	
Letham Grange	

# RULES

## Competition

The Strokeplay Championship.

The Matchplay Championship.

The Glamis Quaich.

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The Team Championship.

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The Youths' Championship.

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The Boys' Under-16 Championship.

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<b>Competition</b>	The Strokeplay Championship
<b>Trophy</b>	The Strathmore Trophy
<b>Eligibility</b>	Amateur golfers whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.
<b>Special Rules</b>	To be played over 36 holes by strokeplay. The winner shall be the golfer with the lowest gross aggregate. In the event of a tie, the winner shall be the golfer with the better second round, and if still tied, will be determined by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole of the last 9 holes of the second round
<b>Other</b>	<p>The players with the 16 lowest aggregates who are available for the first round of matchplay shall qualify for the Matchplay Championship. At the discretion of the Executive the number of qualifiers for the matchplay may be reduced.</p> <p>Reserves may be nominated, but no player will be replaced after the draw has been published</p>

Competition	The Matchplay Championship
Trophy	N T Carne Trophy and MaCLagan Medal
Eligibility	<p>The qualifiers from the County Strokeplay Championship.</p> <p>The winner will be awarded the N T Carne Trophy. The runner up will be awarded the MaCLagan Medal.</p>
Special Rules	Scratch matchplay, each round to consist of 18 holes. Normal matchplay rules will apply, tied matches will continue on a sudden death basis until a winner is established. Each match in Rounds 1 and 2 will be played at the specified date and time. Dates and times for the semi-final and final may be varied by the Executive.
Other	Normally, the matchplay championship will be played on the same course as the strokeplay championship. Referees will be provided for the semi-final and final.

## Appendix C

Competition	18 Hole Strokeplay Competition
Trophy	The Glamis Quaich
Eligibility	Amateur golfers whose home club for handicapping purposes for 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.
Special Rules	<p>The competition is limited to 75 entries. If entries exceed 75, the numbers will be reduced by random ballot.</p> <p>In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole</p>
Other	Handicap prizes will be allotted at the discretion of the Executive.

## Appendix D

Competition	Champion of Champions
Trophy	The John Player Trophy
Eligibility	<p>One entrant per Club, either strokeplay or matchplay club champion (scratch) at the discretion of the Club, Links, County.</p> <p>Each entrant must be an amateur golfer whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.</p>
Special Rules	To be played off scratch over 36 holes by strokeplay. The winner shall be the golfer with the lowest gross aggregate. In the event of a tie, the winner shall be the golfer with the better second round, and if still tied, will be determined by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole of the last 9 holes of the second round
Other	Prizes will be awarded to the winner and runner – up.

Competition	Scratch and Handicap Competition
Trophy	Division 2 – The Camperdown Shield
Eligibility	Amateur golfers whose home club for handicapping purposes for 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.
Special Rules	The competition is limited to 90 entries. If entries exceed 90, Division 2 will have priority, otherwise numbers will be reduced by random ballot. To be played over 18 holes strokeplay. There will be two handicap divisions, + to 8 and 9 to 18. In the event of a tie the winner will be determined by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole.
Other	The Camperdown Shield will be awarded to the player with the best net score in Division 2. Prizes will be awarded to the leading scratch and handicap scores in each division. No player may win more than one prize.

## Appendix F

Competition	The Team Strokeplay Championship
Trophy	The Evening Post Cup
Eligibility	One team of four per Club.
Special Rules	To be played over 18 holes by strokeplay. The team to be nominated in order 1 to 4. The winning team will be the team with the lowest gross aggregate, all scores to count. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by discounting Player 4's score, then Player 3's score, then Player 2's score and finally by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole of Player 1's score for the last nine holes of the round.
Other	The scores of three nominated players will count for the qualifying scores for the Scottish Club Championship. Ties will be resolved as above starting with Player 3. If clubs fail to designate which player is nominated for which place then they will be taken in order of play to be players 1, 2, 3 and 4.

## Appendix G

Competition	The Inter Club Foursomes Championship
Trophy	The Carnoustie Cup
Eligibility	Each team shall consist of 6 players each of whom will be an amateur golfers whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA. Clubs may enter more than one team at the discretion of the Executive. Players may not play for more than one team. ( contravention of this rule by a club will result in disqualification )
Special Rules	Entries will be limited to 20 teams. Generally, there will be 4 leagues of 5 teams. Matches are foursomes matchplay and there will be no tied games i.e. all matches must be played to a conclusion with extra holes as necessary, so that all results will be either 2 -1 or 3 – 0. If a league finishes in a tie, the winner will be determined by the points ‘ for ‘ and ‘ against ‘ differential and if still tied, by the result of the match between the tied clubs. The league winners will play the semi- finals as per the draw.
Other	The draw for all rounds will be made at the March meeting of the Executive. The final will be played at Carnoustie, either on the first or second Saturday of September. Referees will be supplied for the final.

Competition	The Seniors Championship
Trophy	The W H W Johnston Trophy
Eligibility	Amateur golfers who are over 55 by the date of the tournament and whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.
Special Rules	The competition is limited to 90 entries. If entries exceed 90, the numbers will be reduced by random ballot. To be played over 18 holes strokeplay. The winner of the trophy will be the golfer with the lowest gross score. There will be 3 age divisions, 55 – 64, 65 – 69, 70 and over. In the event of a tie, the winners will be determined by countback over the last 9,6,3, 1 hole of the last nine holes of the round.
Other	Scratch and handicap prizes will be awarded in each section. No player may win more than one prize. The number of prizes in a section will be determined by the number of entries for that section.



## Appendix I

Competition	The Junior Strokeplay Championship
Trophy	The J B Scott Trophy
Eligibility	Amateur golfers under the age of 18 on the 1 <sup>st</sup> January of the year of the competition whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.
Special Rules	To be played over 36 holes of strokeplay. The winner shall be the golfer with the lowest gross aggregate. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by countback over the last 9,6,3, 1 hole of the last nine holes of the second round.
Other	The players with the 16 lowest aggregates who are available for the first round of matchplay shall qualify for the Junior Matchplay Championship. Reserves may be nominated, but no player will be replaced after the draw has been published. The number of players who qualify for the matchplay may be reduced at discretion of Executive

## Appendix J

Competition	The Junior Matchplay Championship
Trophy	George P Grant Trophy. The Sheriff's Medal
Eligibility	The qualifiers from the County Junior Strokeplay Championship. The winner will be awarded the G P Grant Trophy. The runner-up will be awarded the Sheriff's Medal
Special Rules	Scratch matchplay, each round to consist of 18 holes. Normal matchplay rules will apply, tied matches will continue on a sudden death basis until a winner is established. Each match in Rounds 1 and 2 will be played at the specified date and time. Dates and times for the semi-finals and final may be varied by the Executive.
Other	Normally, the matchplay championship will be played on the same course as the strokeplay championship. Referees will be provided for the semi-finals and final.

## Appendix K

Competition	The Junior Team Strokeplay Championship
Trophy	The W W Tyndall Trophy

Eligibility One team of four per Club. Each team member is to be an amateur golfer under 18 on the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the year of the competition whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.

Special Rules To be played over 18 holes by strokeplay. The team to be nominated in order 1 to 4. The winning team will be the team with the lowest gross aggregate, all scores to count. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by discounting Player 4's score, then Player 3's score, then Player 2's score and finally by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole of Player 1's score for the last nine holes of the round.

Other Handicap prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Executive. If clubs fail to designate which player is nominated for which place then they will be taken in order of play to be players 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Appendix L

Competition The Youth's Strokeplay Championship

Trophy The Charles Ogilvie Trophy

Eligibility	Amateur golfers under 21 on 1 <sup>st</sup> January of the year of the competition whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.
Special Rules	To be played over 36 holes by strokeplay. The winner shall be the golfer with the lowest gross aggregate. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by countback over the last 9, 6, 3, 1 hole of the last nine holes of the second round.
Other	To be played concurrently with the Strokeplay Championship.

Appendix M

Competition	The Boy's Summer League
Trophy	The Braemar Quaich

Eligibility	One team of four per Club. Each team member is to be an amateur golfer under 18 on the 1 <sup>st</sup> January of the year of the competition whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA. Additional Club teams may be permitted at the discretion of the Executive.
Special Rules	Maximum handicap 18 ( players with higher handicaps may be chosen for the team but must play off 18 ) Four leagues of 4 or 5 teams. All teams will play a round at each venue during July and August. Each round will be 18 holes strokeplay, the best 3 net scores to count for the team. The winning team at each venue will receive 5 points, second 3 points, third 1 point and 0 points for fourth, fifth or non-appearance.
Other	League winners will contest the final at a neutral venue.

#### Appendix N

Competition	The Boy's Under 16 Handicap Championship
Trophy	The Bett Cup

Eligibility

Amateur golfers under 16 on the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the year of the competition whose home club for handicapping purposes for the 3 months prior to the competition lies within the boundaries of the ACGA.

Special Rules

Other