



Essex Golf Club Captains

Constitution

ESSEX GOLF CLUB CAPTAINS FOUNDED ON 17 SEPTEMBER 1953

RULES

1. **TITLE.** The title shall be "Essex Golf Club Captains".
2. **OBJECTIVES.** To promote good fellowship and understanding between present and past Captains of Essex Golf Clubs and with those of other Counties.
3. **MEMBERSHIP.** Membership is restricted to Captains and Past Captains of Golf Clubs affiliated to the Essex County Amateur Golf Union and English Golf Union. Applications for membership must be made on the appropriate form and must be endorsed by a Proposer and Seconder who are Members. Captains and Past Captains of Clubs which have no other Members may be accepted if their application is endorsed by their Club Secretary. New Members may only be admitted as FULL MEMBERS, but may elect, after a period of three years, to transfer to NON-PLAYING MEMBERSHIP. The Committee shall be empowered to suspend the membership of any Member who is deemed to have brought the name of the Essex Golf Club Captains into disrepute or, except in the case of hardship, for non-payment of the Annual Subscription.
4. **HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.** Honorary Membership may be accorded to any member who, in the opinion of the Committee has rendered outstanding service and/or to the game of golf. Such privilege shall be restricted to those who have been Members for at least TEN YEARS or who have served as Captains of the Essex Golf Club Captains. The Committee will consider nominations for Honorary Membership prior to the Annual General Meeting.
5. **COMMITTEE.** Any proposal to be passed to the Annual General Meeting for approval must be formally approved by the Committee in the first instance.
6. **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP.** Members attaining the age of 75 years and who have been Members for at least TEN YEARS shall, on application, be made Honorary Life Members.
7. **SUBSCRIPTIONS.** The annual subscriptions for FULL and NON-PLAYING Members respectively shall be determined from time-to-time at the Annual General Meeting. Subscriptions shall be payable on the 1st January of each year.
8. **OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE.** The Committee shall comprise of: PRESIDENT, CAPTAIN, VICE CAPTAIN, IMMEDIATE PAST CAPTAIN, HON. SECRETARY and THREE elected Members
 1. **PRESIDENT.** The Committee will nominate a President who shall be confirmed in the Office at the Annual General Meeting. The President will hold office for a period of THREE YEARS. There is no limitation on the number of periods the President may serve.



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2. CAPTAIN. The Captain will be nominated by the Committee for approval at the Annual General Meeting. The nomination will be from present Committee Members under normal circumstances. He will hold office for ONE YEAR only, unless a special circumstance arises. He shall be CHAIRMAN and an ex-officio member of any Committee set up from time-to-time.
3. VICE CAPTAIN. The Vice Captain will be nominated by the Committee and confirmed in office at the Annual General Meeting. Should he subsequently be unable or unwilling to serve in this capacity, the Committee shall be empowered to appoint a substitute.
4. HONORARY SECRETARY. The Honorary Secretary will be appointed by the Committee and declared in office at the Annual General Meeting. The Committee shall be empowered to require the Honour Secretary to resign should the need arise. There will be no limit to the period he may serve in this capacity. His honorarium will be determined from time-to-time by the Committee.
5. ELECTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS. Each Candidate for the Committee, having given his assent to serve, shall be nominated by TWO Members who should advise the Hon. Secretary of such nomination not less than SEVEN days prior to the Annual General Meeting. No Club shall be represented by more than ONE of the elected Members. At least ONE vacancy shall be created each year by virtue of the death, resignation or retirement by rotation of those elected. The retiring Committee Member shall not be eligible for re-election in that capacity for at least ONE year after retirement. The Committee may co-opt any Member to fill any casual vacancy or for any other purpose, but the Member so appointed shall hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and shall have full voting rights.
6. COMPETITIONS. The Committee will organise and control through the Hon. Secretary all competitions. Such competitions will be played under the rules of golf. Trophies presented for annual competition will remain the property of the Essex Golf Club Captains and the Committee will arrange for their insurance.
7. ANNUAL DINNER. An Annual Dinner will be arranged for members at a time and place approved by the Committee. Guests of Members will be permitted at the discretion of the Committee.
8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. A General Meeting shall take place annually at a time and place to be arranged by the Hon. Secretary. Notice of this meeting shall be notified to all Members at least TWENTY EIGHT DAYS prior to its taking place.
9. ALTERATIONS TO RULES. Any alteration or addition to these rules shall be made only at a General Meeting and must be approved by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the Members present.
10. Present and voting at such meeting. Notice of proposals for changes and/or additions must be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary not less than TWENTY ONE DAYS prior to the Meeting.