# Hunter Women's Golf Club CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

# Hunter Women's Club (Formerly Silver City Women's Club

- First organized 1961 as Silver City Women's Club
- Renamed Hunter Women's Club, 1988
- Constitution approved
  - o March 21, 1989
  - Revised August 3, 1989
  - Revised August 3, 2000
  - o Revised April 3, 2018

# **ARTICLE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND OBJECT**

- Sec. 1. <u>NAME</u>: This Club is an unincorporated association pursuant to the laws of the State of Connecticut.
- Sec. 2. <u>OBJECT</u>: This object of this association shall be to promote the interest of golf.
- Sec. 3. <u>ADDRESS</u>: The association is in the City of Meriden, County of New Haven and State of Connecticut and the location of the principal office is at the George Hunter II Memorial Golf Course, Westfield Road.

# **ARTICLE 2 - MEMBERSHIP**

- Sec. 1. <u>Membership</u>: Membership is open to all female golfers.
- Sec. 2. <u>Dues</u>: Membership dues shall be determined yearly. Payment shall be made by March 30<sup>th</sup> to the Treasurer with checks made out to Hunter Women's Golf Club.

- Sec. 3. <u>Eligibility</u>: No member shall be eligible to compete in any of the tournaments until her dues are paid for the year.
- Sec. 4. **<u>Fiscal Year</u>**: The fiscal year shall run from April 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>.

# **ARTICLE 3 - MEETINGS**

- Sec. 1. First Meeting: The First Membership Meeting of each season will be held in April, the date to be determined by the Board. The Club shall hold its Annual Meeting in October. The Secretary shall post notice of the meeting to the General Membership not less than one week in advance.
- Sec. 2. The Board of Governors (comprised of elected officers and committee heads) will meet monthly from April through September. Notice of each meeting shall be posted at least one week in advance. Each meeting will be open to any member of the General Membership who wishes to address the Board on any Club related matter.
- Sec. 3. Elections: The Club shall elect its officers and members of the Board of Governors at said Annual Meeting of the Club.
- Sec. 4. Special meetings may be called by the President at any time upon due notice given by the secretary. Special meetings may also be called upon the written petition of ten (10) regular members who are eligible to vote, submitted to the President of said Club. Upon receipt of said request, should the President fail to call a meeting within two weeks thereafter, a special meeting may be called by publishing a notice in the local papers and/or prior written notice to the members. The petition for special meeting by the ten members first submitted to the President shall incorporate a statement for the business to be transacted at said meeting.
- Sec. 5. Quorum: Ten members shall constitute a quorum at the Club's General Membership meetings.
- Sec. 6. Rules of Order: The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the meetings of the Club where they are applicable and where they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

# **ARTICLE 4- BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

- Sec. 1. The Board of Governors shall be composed of seven (7) members: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Handicap Chairperson, Rules Chairperson and a Tournament Chairperson.
- ➤ Sec. 2. The Board of Governors shall determine annual dues.
- Sec. 3. The President and Treasurer shall determine the budget for the current year and present it to the Board of Governors for approval at the April meeting.
- Sec. 4. The outgoing President shall serve as an ex officio member for a period of one (1) year (without a vote).
- Sec. 5. Meetings of the Board: The President, as Chairperson of the Board, shall call, at her discretion, a meeting of the Board.
- Sec. 6. Quorum: Six (6) members of the Board of Governors shall constitute a quorum.
- Sec. 7. Vacancies: The Board of Governors shall fill any vacancies occurring among the Officers of the Board. The terms extend until the annual meeting.
- Sec. 8. Expulsion: The Board of Governors shall have the right, by a vote of twothirds (2/3) after due notice to the member involved and an opportunity to be heard, to warn, reprimand, or expel any member of the Club for conduct which in its opinion is detrimental to the Club.
- Sec. 9. Nominating Committee: At a meeting of the Board of Governors before the annual meeting of the Club, the Board shall elect a nominating committee to consist of five (5) members, two (2) of whom shall be the members of the Board of Governors not holding an elected office in the Club.
  - (a) Notice of nomination: The names of persons nominated and the offices to which they have been nominated shall be posted on the bulletin board prior to the last meeting.
  - (b) The slate of officers shall consist of one name for each office with other nominations being made from the floor at the annual meeting. If no nominations are made from the floor, the Secretary will cast the ballot. A majority is necessary to decide the office.

# **ARTICLE 5 - DUTIES**

- Sec. 1. President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club and the Board of Governors and shall have general supervision over the affairs of the Club. She shall be an ex officio member of all committees, except the Nominating Committee. The Board of Governors, shall authorize the President, or any other officer, to execute written contracts to incur any obligations in the name of the Club.
- Sec. 2. Vice President: The Vice President shall assume and perform the duties of the President in her absence and will handle all publicity.
- Sec. 3. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep the records of the Club, the Officers, and the Board of Governors. She shall give notice of all meetings as provided by the Bylaws and shall conduct all correspondence except that pertaining to the office of the Treasurer. She shall assume and perform duties of the President and Vice President in their absence.
- Sec. 4. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall collect all membership dues, receive and disburse all monies, keep the accounts, and report at meetings the amount of receipts and disbursements and the balance of cash on hand with such other information concerning the financial affairs of the Club. She shall keep a list of the members and provide a copy of it to the Secretary and Handicap Chairperson. She shall pay all bills. The Treasurer's report shall be audited by two (2) members chosen by the Board of Governors at the end of the fiscal year.
- Sec. 5. Officers: All officers will serve a period of two (2) years.
- Sec. 6. Committees: The President is given the authority to select chairpersons for the following committees:

SNEWGA: The representative will attend all SNEWGA meetings and keep members informed as to all activities. She will handle Ladies Invitation Day for the Club.

Handicap: The Chairperson will oversee posting of correct scores, mailing of scores to handicap service, and all matters pertaining to handicaps.

Rules, Etiquette, and Grievance: The Chairperson will select at least two (2) other people to serve on the committee. She will interpret USGA rules, keep members posted on any changes, and handle all grievances. If the issue is not resolved, the Chairperson will present the problem to the Board of Governors. AM, PM, and BiWeekly Tournaments: The chairpersons shall plan all tournaments and determine class groupings to promote equal competition. At the Spring Meeting the Chairpersons shall present a schedule of the events for the year. They will keep records of Ladies Day scores turned in to meet tournament requirements. They will maintain tournament records for prizes

# **ARTICLE 6 - AMENDMENTS**

- Sec. 1. All amendments to these Bylaws must be presented in writing by two or more members of the Board.
- Sec. 2. Amendments must be discussed and approved at a Board of Governors meeting before they are presented to the General Membership.
- Sec. 3. Amendments must be presented at a General Membership meeting for approval by vote. A vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting is required for passage.
- > Sec. 4. Upon passage of amendment, the Secretary shall affix same to Bylaws.