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### ARTICLE I (NAME)

The name of this organization shall be the Canyon Lakes Ladies Golf Association: hereafter called the "club".

# ARTICLE II (PURPOSE)

The purpose of this organization is to promote the integrity of the game of golf; to encourage good fellowship among the members and with other golf clubs; and to conduct weekly play, intra-club tournaments, invitational tournaments/play with other clubs, and other related events.

#### ARTICLE III (MEMBERSHIP)

Membership shall be open to any female over the age of 18, upon payment of club dues (Article IV). A member in good standing shall be one who has paid all required dues and abides by the rules and regulations of the club.

Rules and regulations include the following: abide by the Rules of Golf and post scores per the USGA Handicap Manual using the GHIN system (United States Golf Association, Golf Handicap and Information Network).

## ARTICLE IV (CLUB DUES)

Annual membership dues to the club shall be determined by the Executive Board (Article VII). Dues shall be payable for the calendar year.

These annual dues include membership in Washington State Golf Association (WSGA) and Pacific Northwest Golf Association (PNGA), with GHIN for handicap.

# ARTICLE V (GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS)

Regular meetings of the general membership are held in the Spring and the Fall. Special meetings may also be called by the Executive Board (Article VII), if needed.

Decisions by the general membership require simple majority of the members in good standing present and voting at the meeting.

# ARTICLE VI (OFFICERS)

The officers of this club shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers, who must be members of the club in good standing, shall be elected at the Fall Meeting and shall serve for two years, beginning immediately following election and ending on the election day at the end of the term. A transition period is expected to the beginning of the next calendar year. The President and Vice-President will be elected in even years and the Secretary and Treasurer will be elected in odd years.

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Election to office shall require simple majority of the members in good standing present and voting at the meeting.

Should an office become vacant due to the current officer being elected to a different office, the elections shall continue at that meeting to fill the vacated office. The term of that office shall be the remainder of the unexpired term.

#### ARTICLE VII (EXECUTIVE BOARD)

The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers and the immediate past President. A majority of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

The President is authorized to fill any vacancy on the Executive Board. Any such appointment shall require approval of the Executive Board and shall be for the balance of the unexpired term.

Meetings of the Executive Board and the time and place are designated by the presiding officer.

#### ARTICLE VIII (DUTIES OF OFFICERS)

The President shall preside at all Executive Board meetings and general meetings, and oversee committee activities, giving assistance as necessary.

The Vice President shall assist the President as necessary and shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President.

The Secretary shall keep the official minutes of all general and Executive Board meetings; and shall have custody of the official files of the club.

The Treasurer shall collect all money due to the club from any source; shall maintain the official membership roster; shall keep accurate financial records; and shall deposit the monies in the bank designated by the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall pay budgeted expenses, as authorized by the Executive Board. No other expenses shall be paid without Board approval. The Treasurer shall prepare the annual financial report, and provide Treasurer reports at Board and membership meetings.

# ARTICLE IX (COMMITTEES)

The President shall appoint committee chairs. Chairs shall serve a one-year term, beginning immediately following appointment. Each chair shall be responsible for carrying out her committee's duties. Chairs and committee members must be members of the club and in good standing.

# ARTICLE X (HANDICAP FOR PLAY)

The maximum course handicap for 18 hole play, as defined in Article II, is 40. Members are not excluded from play if their handicap exceeds 40; however, they agree to play at no more than 40.

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#### ARTICLE XI (ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY IN CLUB TOURNAMENTS)

To play a major in-club tournament, such as the President's Cup or Club Championship, the woman must be a member of the Canyon Lakes Ladies Golf Association in good standing (Article III) with an established handicap (Article X).

#### ARTICLE XII (ELIGIBILITY FOR "MOST IMPROVED GOLFER")

To be eligible for the most improved golfer award (based on GHIN report), the woman must be a member of the Canyon Lakes Ladies Golf Association in good standing (Article III) and must have played at least 10 rounds during women's weekly play<sup>1</sup>, between the Opening Scramble in March and the Closing Scramble in October of the current year.

### **ARTICLE XIII (AMENDMENTS)**

These bylaws may be amended by majority vote of the general membership present and voting at any general meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose. Proposed amendments shall be reviewed by the Executive Board and then disseminated to the membership at least two weeks before the meeting.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Weekly play days are currently Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.