# **CONSTITUTION Humber Seniors Curling Club**

NAME: The Club will be known as "Humber Seniors Curling Club".

<u>HISTORY</u>: The Club was founded as a section of the Humber Highlands Curling Club in 1957.

<u>MANDATE</u>: To encourage the active enjoyment and recreation of curling and good fellowship associated with the outings and activities of Humber Seniors Curling Club.

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>: Members will be 50 years of age, or older, or retired. The size of the Club's membership will be determined from time to time by the Executive Committee, and ratified by the members at the Annual Business Meeting. **Regular Members:** must pay their dues by the required date and be approved by the Executive Committee.

**Associate Members:** any person who is also a registered, paid-up member at St. George's Golf and Country Club may also apply for membership in Humber Seniors Curling Club. With the approval of the Executive Committee, they will be entitled to all curling activities of Humber Seniors Curling Club.

**New Members:** must submit an application in writing to the Membership Director and be affirmed by the Executive Committee.

**Membership Application:** each curling member will submit an Application Form each year. Application forms will be available on the website shortly after the close of each curling season, as soon as the Executive Committee has set the fees for the coming year. **Membership Fees:** regular Membership Fees will be for the full curling season and will be paid, in one payment, to the Membership Director, PRIOR to the first scheduled game (usually right after Thanksgiving). Members paying late may have their name placed on the "spares" list for the first series.

Fees will be set by the Executive Committee as soon as possible following the Annual Business Meeting. Fees will cover all club costs and may include a special assessment to be set by the Executive Committee.

Special fees may also be set by the Executive Committee for Associate Members, taking into account any duplication of costs with their other club.

Members who request, in writing, leave of absence for medical, family or special reasons must pay their full fees to retain their membership. The Executive Committee may consider a request for reimbursement for all or a portion of their fees.

<u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</u>: Any member in good standing for at least one (1) year is eligible for any position on the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the Club is comprised of the President, Past President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Marketing/Communications Director and Membership Director.

The Past President will present those nominated for the position of Vice President to the Annual Business Meeting. The Vice President will be elected for a term of two (2) years and then will succeed the President who will have completed his 2 year term.

The President will automatically become the Past President at the end of his 2 year term. The Secretary, Treasurer, Marketing/Communications Director and Membership Director will each be appointed to the Executive Committee.

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The following positions are appointed by the Executive Committee and shall report from time to time to the Executive Committee regarding their areas of responsibility:

Drawmaster

Webmaster

Scoring

Social

Rules

**Player Ratings** 

**Special Events** 

Pair of Jacks

**West-end Seniors** 

Inter-club Spiels: Chinquacousy, Mississauga, Dixie

If a member of the Executive Committee leaves his position before the end of the season, a replacement may be approved by the Executive Committee.

### **MEETINGS**:

**Annual Business Meeting:** An Annual Business Meeting will be held at the end of the curling season and at any other time as determined by the President or the Executive Committee.

**Executive Committee Meeting:** will be held in the fall, before the curling season begins, and again shortly after the Annual Business Meeting. The President, or in his absence, the Vice President, may also call a meeting of the Executive Committee as required. Only members of the Executive Committee can vote at its meetings.

## **GAMES**:

**Scheduled Games**: All members in good standing will be eligible to play in any and all league, daily draw and special event games where numbers permit. Members must place their name on the sign-up sheet for each event.

**Out-of-club Games:** All members in good standing will be eligible to play in any out-of-club games. Members must include their desires on the annual Application Form.

### FINANCIAL REPORT:

An annual report of the season's finances and a budget for the upcoming year will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual Business Meeting.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MEMBERS:

Members are expected to participate in the volunteer positions following their first year in the Club.

Members are expected to attend the Annual Business Meeting.

Members unable to play in a game are expected to find a replacement and advise their Skip who the replacement will be.

Members are expected to submit their annual Application Form and cheque prior to the requested date(s).

Members are expected to be in attendance for pre-game announcements and be ready to play at the time posted for their game.

Members' behavior on the ice and in the club house will be such as to ensure that Humber Seniors Curling Club maintains excellent relations with St. George's staff. Any complaints or issues should be made to an Executive and never directly to St. Georges' staff.

Members are expected to play by the Curling Canada rules and special Humber Seniors Curling Club rules and follow all normal curling etiquette as determined from time to time.

<u>AMENDMENTS:</u> Amendments to this Constitution must be approved by two-thirds of the members present at the Annual Business Meeting.

RATIFICATION: The of, 2016.	nis revised Constitution was ratified and signed on the	day
PRESIDENT		
VICE-PRESIDENT		