

"FORE!SINGLES" BY LAWS

NAME

The name of the organization will be "Fore!Singles".

PURPOSE

To consolidate and standardize league guidelines so elected officers may administer the league in a consistent and equitable manner. It also serves as a reference point providing guidance to members on key issues including membership rules, dues, tournaments, league play, and the transition of new officers. These By Laws will be maintained on the web site for member review.

LEAGUE DEFINITION

"Fore!Singles" is an organization of single people interested in the pursuit of golf in a friendly and harmonious environment. The main intent is to foster camaraderie between golfers regardless of playing ability. The organization also promotes non-golfing events to provide members additional vehicles for entertainment throughout the year.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to any adult single upon application and payment of annual dues, (to be determined by the Board of Directors). Two people who have been members of "Fore!Singles" for one full year and marry, may remain members as long as they each pay annual dues. Married members may not hold elected office, but may serve on the Board in an appointed position.

DUES

Annual dues will be determined by the Board of Directors. An annual Membership Kick Off Meeting will be held in March of every year and all current members and any guests are encouraged to attend. Annual dues are due at this time and are considered delinquent if not paid by April 30. If not paid by April 30 those people will be dropped from the membership roster and will not be able to participate in League Play or any sponsored tournaments, and will not receive the newsletter. Persons joining after October 31 will be considered paid in full through the next year.

PARTICIPATION

All "Fore!Singles" events are open to any member of "Fore!Singles", and the Metro East Golf Singles (MEGS). A person can come out and play one night of league play, but must pay his/her dues before playing in another event.

LEADERSHIP

Elected, and voting Board Members shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Appointed and also voting Members of the Board shall consist of the Membership Director, Tournament's Director, League Play Director, Social Director, Newsletter Director, and Web Site Director. If more than one person serves on a committee, only the Director gets to vote. The Immediate Past President is a non-voting member (unless there is a tie vote he/she shall vote to break tie) of the Board, serving in an advisory position, providing guidance to the President and the Board.

PRESIDENT

To provide leadership for the league, in the best interest of its members with advice and support of the Board. Preside over monthly Board Meetings and work with the Board to resolve issues and promote the organization. Authority to write and cash checks if needed. Will be responsible for appointing all committee Chairpersons who will report to him/her .

VICE PRESIDENT

To assist the President as needed and to fill in at his/her absence. Will assist the Membership Committee in promoting the organization, and will maintain the Membership Hotline.

SECRETARY

Takes minutes of all Board Meetings and distributes minutes to Board Members. Prepares any correspondence required to conduct club business. Maintains a binder of previous minutes to be passed on to incoming Secretary.

TREASURER

Maintain the financial records for the organization. Maintain a bank account, and have signature cards signed yearly by two Board Members, preferably the President and Treasurer, submit a budget of income and expenditures yearly, provide the Board an end of year bank statement for their review, submit a financial report for review at all scheduled Board Meetings, write and sign all checks with the President's approval, provide all records for the President to obtain an independent audit if needed.

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

A non-voting member of the Board serving in an advisory position to the President and the Board of Directors. In case of a tie vote on the Board the Immediate Past President will vote to break the tie.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR OR COMMITTEE

Will plan and coordinate the annual Membership Kick Off, actively recruit new members, maintain a current roster which can be distributed as needed to the Board and general membership.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR OR COMMITTEE

Makes recommendations for tournaments and locations for the up-coming year to the Board. Works with the golf courses selected, on price and date of tournament. Selects individuals to run the tournaments, helps with pairings and reports directly to the President.

LEAGUE PLAY DIRECTOR OR COMMITTEE

Shall be responsible for contracting with a golf course for weekly play, and coordinating starters every week.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR OR COMMITTEE

Schedules and organizes non-golf activities as approved by the Board to broaden the appeal of the organization, and provide group interaction throughout the year. Responsible for organizing and planning the end of year event, and coordinating with MEGS for the Horse Racing and Winter Event.

NEWSLETTER DIRECTOR

Publishes and distributes monthly "Fore!Singles" Newsletter to all members via E-Mail or US Mail. Works closely with other Directors to ensure flyers and reminders of events are sent out in a timely manner, and are included in the newsletter.

WEB SITE DIRECTOR

Maintains the web site, and updates as needed, maintains all licenses needed to register "Fore!Singles".org.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Appointed by the Board of Directors by August 1, and shall be responsible for securing names of candidates to run for office for the up-coming year.

ADMINISTRATION

All elected officers will serve a one year term beginning November 1 and ending October 31. Appointed directors or committees will also serve a one year term. In the event of a vacancy among the four elected officers, the remaining Board of Directors, shall appoint a member to fill the vacancy until the next election. If there is a vacancy among the Directors the President shall fill that vacancy. The fiscal and administrative year shall be from November 1 to October 31. The organization will have an annual end of year meeting or event at the end of the golf season for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. This meeting or event will be published in the September Newsletter, and ballots will also be published at that time. Ballots must be returned to the Nominating Chairperson by September 30.

HOLE IN ONE PAYMENTS

Any current member who gets a hole in one during league play at a regulation golf course or at a "Fore!Singles or MEGS sponsored tournament will be paid \$100. This will be paid for each and every hole in one during the year. Any current member who gets a hole in one at a par 3 course or an executive golf course will get their dues paid for the following year.

TOURNAMENT CANCELLATIONS

In the event a member has to cancel out of a tournament he/she has already paid for the following amounts will be refunded:

1 week prior to tournament date Full Refund
3 days prior or before pairings are done 50%
Day of tournament No refund

As always there are extenuating circumstances and a member may ask the Board for a refund under these circumstances.

TERMINATION FROM "FORE!SINGLES"

The Board of Directors reserves the right to terminate any member for just cause or any actions that may prove detrimental to the organization. A vote of 2/3 of the Board is needed to exercise this option.

BOUNCED CHECKS

If a "Fore!Singles" member bounces a check, the member is responsible for replacing the bounced check with good funds, covering any bank charges assessed, and paying a \$25 handling fee. A second instance of a bounced check will require a member to be placed on a cash or money order basis.

RELIEVING AN OFFICER FROM THE BOARD

The board may remove any member of the Board of Directors, including the President with a 3/4 vote of the Board, if that officer does not follow league guidelines or engages in any activities that may be deemed detrimental to the organization.

DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

"Fore!Singles" prohibits discrimination in its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, or disability.

RECIPROCITY

"Fore!Singles" enjoys reciprocity with MEGS, and will support and promote all MEGS tournaments and events.

RULES OF ORDER

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all official meetings of the Board and Membership meetings.

BYLAWS REVIEW

These Bylaws will be reviewed annually by the Board of Directors and if any changes or amendments are made they will be published in the September Newsletter and a 2/3 majority of voters is needed for passage.

Amended 6/03

Amended 10/07

Amended 10/10