



**Rules and Code of Conduct
for the
Association of Ukrainians in Victoria
Golf Club (AUVGC)**

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ASSOCIATION OF UKRAINIANS IN VICTORIA GOLF CLUB

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SECTION 1: RULES OF THE AUV GOLF CLUB

1.1 NAME

The Golf Club shall be known as the "Association of Ukrainians in Victoria Golf Club" and abbreviated to AUVGC.

To simplify marketing of the club, it will operate as the "Ukrainian Golf Club Melbourne".

The club shall be a non-proprietary club and is a Section of the Incorporated Association of Ukrainians in Victoria, under the Companies Act 1981 as defined in sections of the Association, clauses 70, 71 and 72 of the Memorandum & Articles of Association for the AUV, as amended on the 15th September 1985 and 21st September 1986.

1.2 AIMS OF THE AUV GOLF CLUB

To promote and foster the game of golf within the Ukrainian community and in so doing, further the friendship and fellowship with other Ukrainian organisations and Clubs.

1.3 OFFICERS

A Committee elected at the Annual General Meeting shall administer the Association's affairs. The Committee, in whom the Association's property shall be vested, shall consist of at least seven (7) members:

President

Secretary

Treasurer

Club Captain

Handicapper

Booking Officer

Website Manager

Match Committee Members (3)

1.3.1 The Committee shall hold their position for a term of one (1) year.

1.3.2 Only financial members of the AUVGC and who are present at the AGM are eligible to elect Officers who comprise the Committee.

1.3.3 Each Committee Member will hold his position for a term of one (1) year and the period of the term is deemed to be from AGM to AGM. However, should the incoming Committee consist of predominantly new members, the outgoing Committee or individual members may be seconded to carry out its duties till the end of the calendar year.

1.3.4 The Committee has the authority to second additional office bearers, as it deems appropriate.

1.3.5 The President must be a 'Full Member' of the Club, not an Associate member.

1.3.6 Associate members may be elected to the Committee; however, no less than seventy per cent (70%) of the Committee members must be 'Full Members' of the AUVGC.

1.4 MEETINGS

1.4.1 Committee Meetings

Unless otherwise notified, Committee meetings will be held prior to the next scheduled event.

1.4.2 Annual General Meetings

- (a) The date of the AUVGC AGM shall be determined by the committee and held within six (6) months of the end of the financial year;
- (b) Notice of the AGM and all Annual Reports shall be sent to all financial members a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to the AGM;
- (c) Reports and any Resolutions to be voted on must be included in the Agenda Papers and sent to Members at least fourteen (14) days prior to the AGM;
- (d) Any Members' Proposals for changes to the Code of Conduct which are to be discussed at the AGM, must be received by the Club's Secretary, in writing, seven (7) days prior to the AGM;
- (e) An Honorary Chairman shall be nominated to conduct the proceedings of the AGM; and
- (f) The meeting will begin if there are at least 20% of our financial members in attendance;
- (g) If there are less than 20% financial members in attendance the meeting will be abandoned and recalled again within one (1) calendar month or as close to this time as practicable.

1.4.3 Agenda of the Annual General Meeting

- (a) Nomination of Chairman for Meeting
- (b) Nomination of Minute Secretary for Meeting
- (c) Minutes of Previous Meeting
- (d) President's Address
- (e) Treasurer's Financial Report
- (f) Club Captain's Report
- (g) General Business
- (h) Election of incoming Officers
- (i) Close of Meeting

1.4.4 The Nomination and Election of Officers

- (a) All financial members of the AUVGC shall be entitled to nominate and vote. Nominations for each office shall be called for and seconded. Financial members who are present at the Meeting shall be entitled to one casting vote for each position.
- (b) In case of equality of votes for a position, whether by show of hands or by poll, the Chairman of the AGM shall be entitled to a casting vote. The Chairman shall be entitled to a second vote in the event he or she is a financial member.

1.4.5 Voting Rights at Meetings

- (a) Members, who are in arrears after the due date [refer to Rule 1.6.5 (d)] in the current year, will be deemed to be non-financial and all Membership rights will be forfeited. This includes the right to vote at meetings or hold any office on the Committee.
- (b) Full and Associate Members, will be eligible to vote at AUVGC AGM and meetings and hold office on the Committee.

1.5 AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT

1.5.1 Amendments to any Rules may only be changed by Resolution at an AGM or at an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) called for that purpose and then only if:

- (a) Written notice has been given to the Secretary seven (7) days prior to any Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting.
- (b) A Resolution may be passed by a simple majority of all eligible members present and shall include proxy votes.

1.5.2 Amendments to any Code of Conduct clause for running of the various events can be amended or added to by the full Committee. Club members will be notified by email prior to changes being instigated.

1.6 MEMBERSHIP OF THE GOLF CLUB

1.6.1 There will be 2 fundamental membership categories:

Full Members and Associate Members

Membership shall be open to all persons who, are eligible for membership of the Association of Ukrainians in Victoria [AUV] as defined in its Memorandum & Articles of Association under Memberships, and are interested in the aims of the AUVGC [refer to Rule 1.2]. **These will be classified as 'Full Members'**. Friends and associates of Full Members who are not eligible for membership of the AUV, and wish to become members of the AUVGC, **will be classified as 'Associate Members'**:

(a) Full and Associate Members:

- (i) There will be two (2) classes of membership - mainly based on age and working status for both Full and Associate Membership:

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- i. **Regular Members:** Persons who have satisfied the eligibility criteria and are over the age of 18 years;
 - ii. **Junior Members:** Persons who are in full-time studies and under the age of 18 years. In circumstances where students are under the age of 25 years and in full-time studies the Committee will exercise its discretion;
- (ii) **The AUVGC may also grant temporary Reciprocal Rights Membership** to persons of other Ukrainian Golf Clubs either in Australia or Overseas who are temporarily located in Melbourne and wish to play with AUVGC members. These members will have the right to play and compete in AUVGC games, but will not be eligible to Vote at an AGM.
- (iii) The maximum number of Associate members permitted to be members of the AUVGC, is 30%, ie such that the overall percentage of Full members is not less than 70%.

1.6.2 New Members, wishing to join the AUVGC are to submit a membership application form to the Club Secretary together with appropriate fees. The Committee, at its next meeting will consider the applications for approval.

1.6.3 All members shall abide with all AUVGC Rules. The Committee shall have power to expel any member whose conduct, in the opinion of at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of the full Committee, renders that person unfit to be a member of the club. No member shall be expelled without first having been given an opportunity to appear before the full Committee.

1.6.4 Members may invite **guests** to any of the scheduled monthly events. No visitor will be eligible to take part in the daily competitions, but may participate in the nearest the pin prizes etc.

No guest may play more than three (3) games in one year as a visitor without applying for membership to the AUVGC.

1.6.5 *Joining Fee, Annual Subscription Fee and Annual Booking Levy*

Joining Fee and Annual Membership Fee and Annual Booking Levy will be reviewed and set annually by the full Committee.

Attachment 1 outlines current fees and levy.

- (a) Joining fees are payable by all categories of membership. However, juniors and past members are exempt from the Joining Fee.
- (b) Annual subscription fees are payable by all membership classes.
- (c) All annual subscriptions will be paid by the due date nominated by the Committee. Members in arrears will have no Membership Rights [refer to Rule 1.4.5].
- (d) The Financial year of the AUVGC is 1 July to 30 June.

(e) Where a member has not renewed his/her financial membership by the final due date, that member will become non-financial and may play the monthly games as a visitor (*subject to clause 1.6.4.*). Should the member not renew his/her membership by the due date in the following year, that member will be deemed to have resigned from the AUV Golf Club, in which case the Treasurer is to contact the member and offer to refund the booking levy.

(f) **Annual Booking Levy**

Competition green fees and levies, which are payable by members shall be governed by the fees and levies set by the Committee

- i. In addition to the Annual Membership Fees, all members must pay a once-off 'Annual Booking Levy'. This levy is to be used as a deposit to book a monthly game for that member and is transferable each month to the next monthly game, as long as the member attends the game and pays the green fees for that particular game. Should a member contravene the Code of Conduct's 'Cancellation Policy' [refer 2.1.2(b)], the Annual Booking Levy will be forfeited. Should the member pay the arrears of the green fees due, the Annual Booking Fee will then be reinstated.
- ii. The Annual Booking Fee is refundable to the member, should that Member resign from the AUVGC.
- iii. Members, who introduce a guest(s) to any games, will be responsible for all fees and charges incurred by their guest(s) and for the guest's conduct during the games.

1.6.6 Club Logo & Uniforms

The logo will only be used on the AUVGC uniforms, AUVGC documentation and promotional materials.

1.7 FINANCE

1.7.1 Book of Financial Accounts

- (a) The Treasurer shall keep records of all financial accounts. A set of Journal books showing details of transactions, receipt books, copies of invoices and monthly summaries in a format as determined by the Committee and which reflects the true financial affairs of the AUVGC.
- (b) Bank Accounts for the AUVGC shall be kept with Dnister Ukrainian Credit Co-operative Ltd or an alternative financial institution as approved by the Committee.
- (c) The authorised signatories to the accounts will be the President, Secretary and Treasurer. Any two of the authorised signatories may operate the account.
- (d) The books will be audited annually by a qualified Auditor selected by the Committee.

1.7.2 Remuneration

- (a) Committee members shall not receive any remuneration for their services, but each member shall be entitled to reimbursement for any reasonable 'out-of-pocket' expenses incurred on behalf of the AUVGC.
- (b) The President of the AUVGC is entitled to an expense account during his term of office while representing the club at official functions. The amount is to be approved by the Committee as required.

1.7.3 Winding Up

In the event of winding up, the assets of the AUVGC shall be divided on a proportional basis to the Association of Ukrainians in Victoria and its affiliated branches, based on the AUVGC's memberships within those branches.

SECTION 2: CODE OF CONDUCT OF THE AUV GOLF CLUB

This section deals with the way the golf games are conducted by the Committee and also the responsibilities of the members who are playing in the club's organised games.

2.1 CONDUCT OF MONTHLY EVENTS

2.1.1 It will be the responsibility of the Committee to conduct regular monthly events as follows:

- (i) organise the draw;
- (ii) collect fees and arrange settlement of accounts;
- (iii) start the field;
- (iv) collect and check the cards;
- (v) give rulings on any points of dispute arising during the event; and
- (vi) prepare a list of trophy winners for the presentation.

2.1.2 *Player's Responsibilities:*

- (a) It will be the player's responsibility to notify the Bookings Officer one full week prior to the next scheduled event.
- (b) Failure to notify the Booking Officer within the prescribed period, or failing to attend the event on the day, will oblige the member to pay a green fee to the AUVGC prior to the next scheduled event.
- (c) The member has the right to submit in writing, any argument against the imposition of any such penalty payments for the Committee's consideration at its next meeting.
- (d) It will be players' responsibility to pre-pay 'green fees' via bank transfer to the AUVGC account (preferable) or if this is not possible, as soon as possible after arriving at the course to the appropriate Committee Member, also confirm tee-off times and ensure member's playing partners are present.
- (e) Members must collect their scorecards and check if correct date and handicap have been recorded.
- (f) It is the responsibility of ALL PLAYERS to ensure they are playing off the most current handicap during any AUVGC game. Players with Golf Australia handicaps must check and play off their most current handicaps. Players that do NOT have a Golf Australia handicap, must play off the handicap as published on our website, prior to any game.
- (g) On completion of the round, players must mark, check their scores and have their Marker sign their cards as well as the player before they hand it to the Scorer of the day.
- (h) If any disputes have arisen during the round, players must refer the dispute to the Match Committee for resolution prior to signing any scorecards.
- (i) Cards that are NOT correctly scored or signed may result in the player or group's disqualification.

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- (j) It will be the player(s) responsibility to be punctual for the scheduled tee-off time. Failure to do so may result in the player and their partner being sent to the rear of the field.
 - (k) It is the player's responsibility to conduct themselves in a manner that shall not bring the AUVGC into disrepute. Failure to do so may result in the player(s) being reprimanded or suspended for a period of time as determined by the Committee.
 - (l) AUVGC club shirts together with generally accepted standards of attire must be worn at all times when playing at any of the AUVGC's Club events. In accordance with generally accepted standards of attire, jeans are not considered suitable attire and are not to be worn at any time. Players must also observe dress standards as required by the host Clubs where the event is being held.
 - (m) Failure to meet acceptable dress requirements may result in player/s being unable to take their place in the field.
 - (n) On the Course, all players are to conduct themselves in accordance with accepted standards published in the Golf Australia's 'Etiquette of Golf'.
 - (o) All players must observe the Local Rules of the club and avoid 'slow play'.
 - (p) It is the responsibility of each player to carry sand buckets at all times on the course and to repair any divots on the fairway or pitch marks on greens.
 - (q) Players must ensure they are financial members by the required final 'Renewal Due Date', that is 31 August; otherwise they may play as a visitor and will only be eligible for the 'NTP', 'Longest Drive' and 'Drive & Chip' prizes.

2.1.3 Conditions of Play

- (a) **Lost Ball due to:**
 - (i) **Out of Bounds**– The Player has the option of hitting a “provisional ball” if he thinks the first ball cannot be found. Then proceed to play the “provisional ball” to the green. The player must declare the first ball lost and take a **one (1) stroke penalty**. Or, drop a ball at the nearest point where the ball was deemed to go OOB and take a **two (2) stroke penalty**.
 - (ii) **In the Rough** – The player has the option of declaring the ball lost and either drop another ball in the approximate area with a **two (2) stroke penalty as stroke and distance**, or return to the tee and hit his “third” shot, taking a **one (1) stroke penalty**.
 - (iii) **In Water Hazards (red stakes)** – Drop a ball at the point of entry, nearest point of relief plus two club lengths and take a **one (1) stroke penalty**.
 - (iv) **In Hazards (yellow stakes)** – **Drop a ball from point of entry as far back as the player likes and take a one (1) stroke penalty**
 - (v) **In Casual Water or GUR** – Drop a ball at the nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole, **with no penalty**.
- (b) **Preferred Lie** – (Only if applicable and always consult local rules)

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- (i) **On the Fairway** - within one hand span where the ball lies, but not closer to the hole.
- (ii) **In the Rough** – the ball is to be played as it lies.
- (c) **Unplayable lie** – One (1) stroke penalty. Player can either:
- (i) Drop the ball as far back as he/she likes in line with the pin
- OR
- (ii) Within two club lengths of original ball in any direction, no nearer the hole.
- (d) All penalty drops are to be taken within two (2) club lengths of OOB and hazard markers.
- (e) The lowest handicapper in the group will be deemed to be the 'Captain' of the group and as such will be responsible for the conduct of the group during the game, including speed of play.

2.2 HANDICAPPING

For all AUVGC games:

- Members that have a Golf Australia handicap will play off their latest handicap with the course slope adjustment.
- Those that do not have a current Golf Australia handicap will be given an AUVGC handicap with the course slope adjustment.

2.2.1 New Members

New members without a Golf Australia handicap must play three (3) monthly events with the AUVGC to obtain a playing handicap.

Those with a Golf Australia handicap will play off that handicap with slope adjustment as deemed by our Handicapper

2.2.2 Handicapping System

The Club's handicapping system is based upon the handicapping system introduced by Golf Australia on the 9th April 2010, and includes all subsequent changes since that date. However, the Committee has the discretion to make any adjustments to the handicapping system on an 'as required' basis' and will duly advise members of the AUVGC at the event or by way of the Club's newsletter.

- (a) The maximum AUVGC handicap will be 36 for men and 45 for women across all categories of membership for all major events, other than Club Championship (refer to Club Championship section 2.3.3 (b)), included in the Annual Fixture. However, the Handicapper may adjust this maximum for the normal monthly games. *Note - the maximum Golf Australia handicap for men is 36.4 and for women is 45.4.*
- (b) There will be three (3) grades for all monthly events and the handicap division cut-offs are as follows:
- (i) 'A' Grade (0 – 18)

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- (ii) 'B' Grade (19 – 27)
 - (iii) 'C' Grade (28 and higher)

However, the committee has the discretion to vary the number of the grades and the handicap ranges to suit participation levels.

- (c) Handicap adjustments after each match will be according to the handicapping system adopted by Golf Australia on the 9th April 2010.

2.3 CONDUCT OF THE AUVGC's CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

2.3.1 The Ukrainian Club Championship shall be conducted each year as a 36-hole stroke event and where possible played over two (2) consecutive days to determine:

- (i) *Scratch Champion*,
- (ii) Handicap Champion; and
- (iii) Divisional Champions

- (a) The conditions of play for AUVGC Championships shall be decided by the Committee and members notified electronically prior to the said event.
- (b) In conjunction with the Club Championships being played, there will be a daily "**Handicap Event**" conducted on each day of the Championships. These events will be treated like a normal monthly event and there will be:
 - (i) Winners for Divisional Grades
 - (ii) Nearest the Pins
 - (iii) Longest Drive
 - (iv) Drive & Chip
- (c) The 'Scratch Champion and the 'Handicap Champion' are ineligible to be considered for Divisional Grade Championship trophies.

2.3.2 Eligibility

- (a) Members must be financial to enter the Club Championships. Entry to the competition will not be accepted unless the prescribed fees and any other monies still owing to the AUVGC are paid.
- (b) Members must have played a minimum of three (3) monthly games that can be handicapped in the current year, so as to establish a current handicap with the AUVGC prior to the Club Championship event.
- (c) However, those members who do not meet the required criteria for Championship events [refer to Clause 2.3.2(b) & (c)] are still able to compete in the Daily Handicap events. The daily handicap event is a stroke event unless otherwise directed by the Committee

2.3.3 Handicaps

- (a) Handicaps for Championship events shall be the same for both the 1st and 2nd rounds, ie frozen.
- (b) The maximum handicap for all players competing in the Club Championship will be 36.

2.3.4 Players Draw

- (a) **First Round:** The Club Captain will conduct a draw in conjunction with the Match Committee to determine the order in which player's tee-off.

2.3.5 Tied Scores

In the event of a tie for either the Scratch, Handicap Champion, or Divisional Grade winners after 36 holes, then the Australian count-back system will be used to determine the winner.

2.3.6 Conditions of Play

- (a) Where possible, play is to be off the member's markers on the day.
- (b) Ride-on carts may be used at all events.
- (c) Ball is to be played as it lies unless otherwise directed by the Match Committee [refer to Local Rules].
- (d) Lost Ball or Out of Bounds: Take a two (2) stroke penalty and play the next shot from where the ball went out of bounds or where the ball is deemed to be lost. Otherwise all ball penalties are as specified in Clause 2.1.3 (iii) – (iv).
- (e) Scorecards must be completed correctly. Player must ensure the correct handicap is recorded on the card, scores are totalled, card is signed (by player & marker) and dated before being handed in, otherwise it may result in disqualification.

2.3.7 Disputes & Rulings

Disputes are to be referred immediately to the Club Captain or the Match Committee at the conclusion of the round for resolution. This must be done prior to the cards being signed.

2.3.8 Trophies Allocated to Club Championship Winners

Trophies will be presented to winners at a time and place determined by the Committee.

2.4 CONDUCT FOR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

- (a) Procedures for qualifying to play in the AUVGC Match Play Championship event will be determined by the Committee and published electronically prior to the event.
- (b) Members must be financial to enter the Match Play Championship.

2.4.1 Conditions of Matchplay

- (a) There is a qualifying Stableford round for Match Play.
- (b) Match Play is to be played on a knockout basis under current handicap conditions.
- (c) Players who have qualified to play in the Match Play competition must be able to commit to play all three dates. If not, then the Club Captain should be informed to enable him to arrange a substitute. Substitutions will only be made in the first round of Match Play.
- (d) Conditions of entry to the Match Play event shall be determined by the Club Captain and the Match Committee and published electronically prior to the Match Play qualifying event.
- (e) Match Play winner's trophy will be presented soon after the game or at a time agreed by the Committee.

2.5 SPECIAL ANNUAL TROPHIES

The Committee has the discretion to decide on special Annual trophies as deemed appropriate.

Trophies will be presented immediately after the event or at a time agreed by the Committee.

2.6 RULES OF GOLF

Competitions shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf, as adopted by the Royal and Ancient Club of St Andrews, Scotland, together with the abovementioned rules and such local rules as are in force at the host Club. If a dispute arises on any point, the Committee in charge of the competition shall decide and whose decision shall be final.

Attachment 1:

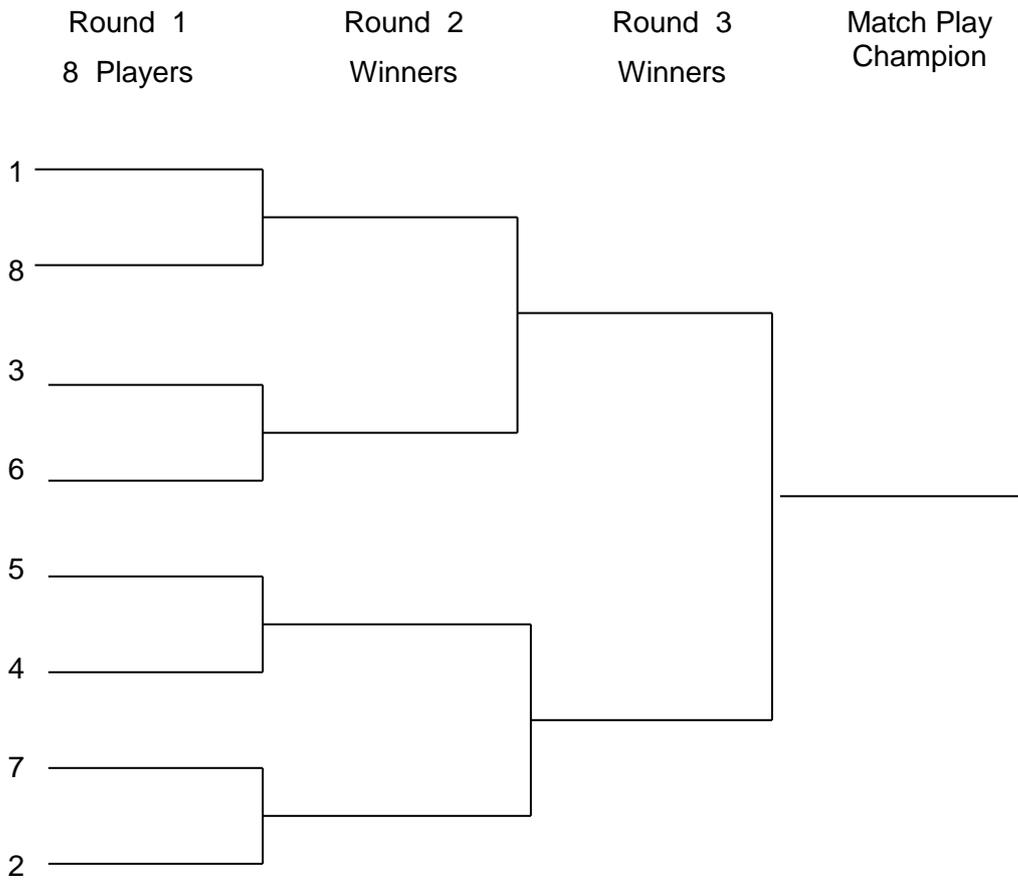
Annual Membership and Joining Fees and Annual Booking Levy Costs

From January 2012

Description	Regular Members	Junior Members
Joining Fee	\$30	\$0
Annual Membership Fee	\$40	\$20
Annual Booking Levy	\$30	\$30
<u>TOTAL membership cost</u>	<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$50</u>

Attachment 2:

The play-off formats for the Match Play Championships will be as directed by the Committee Only 8 qualifiers for knock-out rounds.



Attachment 3:

RECORD OF CHANGES TO THE AUVGC's RULES & CODE OF CONDUCT:

[As resolved by the members at the Club's AGM's]

Year	Section:	Amendments:
2002	All	The New Rule & Code of Conduct replaced the 1991 Constitution
2003	Rules	1.4 Meetings: sub Clauses 1.4.2 (b); 1.4.2(c) & 1.4.2(d)
		1.6 Memberships; sub Clauses 1.6.5(f) & 1.6.6 'Green fees'
	Code	2.1 Monthly Events; clause 2.1.2(k); added new clause 2.1.2(p)
2006	Rule	1.1 Name of club changed to Ukrainian Golf Club Melbourne.
	Rule	1.3 Office holders altered to comprise of 'at least 7 members'.
	Rule	1.6.5 Joining fee payable by all members
2007	Rule	1.5.1(b) Resolution may be passed with majority votes.
	Rule	2.2.6 Ride-on carts may be used at all events.
	Rule	1.4.2(a) Date of AGM may be held within 4 months of the end of financial year.
2008	Rule	1.8 Handicapping; moved unchanged from section 1 "Rules of the AUVGC" to section 2 "Code of Conduct"

Proposed changes for Sept 2010 AGM

2010	Rule	1.3 Officers added the responsibility for Web editing to the Newsletter Editor's position.
	Rule	1.6 Key Change - Changed the levels of membership to introduce 'Associate Members' for those not eligible for AUV membership. This item needs to be addressed as under our current Constitution people who are not eligible to be members of the AUV cannot be members of the AUVGC.
	Rule	1.4.5 Added clause section to indicate that all members including Associate Members do have Voting rights and eligibility to be committee members.
	Rule	1.6.1 (a) (iii) Take out the 'Senior' classification. Given that the majority of our members are or will soon be retired and that our membership fees are so small, do we really need this classification.
	Rule	1.6.5 Change to remove the need for Joining and Membership fees to have to be approved by AGM and enable these to be managed by full committee <u>as is currently the Annual Booking Levy.</u>
	Rule	1.6.6 Deleted this as a separate section as all fees and levies will now be managed by the full Committee.
	Rule	1.6.6 This section now becomes section (g) of 1.6.5.
	Rule	1.6.6 In this section amount for the Annual Booking Levy was deleted.
	Rule	1.6.7 "Club Logo & Uniform" now becomes 1.6.6

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- Rule 2.2 New Rules governing the Handicapping system were introduced in Australia in April 2010. This section was changed to reflect this.
- Attachment 1 A new Attachment was introduced outlining current Fees and Levies. Consequently Attachments 1 and 2 now become 2 and 3.

Proposed structural changes for Sept 2011 AGM

- Rule 1.3.5 Added the condition that the President of the Club must be a Full Member, not an Associate member. I.e. Eligible for AUV membership.
- Rule 1.3.6 Limited the number (percentage) of Associate members allowed to be members of the AUVGC Committee.
- Rule 1.6.1 (a) (iii) Limited the number of Associate members allowed to be members of the AUVGC.
- Rule 1.6.5 (c) Allow the Committee to decide when the Annual fee is due.
- Rule 1.6.5 (d) Also removed requirement for AGM approval to change the fixture calendar year.
- Rule Section 2 – Code of Conduct.
A general change was the change of name for AGU to 'Golf Australia'
- 2.1.2 (f) Confirmed that it is the member's responsibility to play off the correct handicap.
- 2.2.2 Reset the maximum permissible handicaps.
- 2.3.3 (a) Confirming that handicaps will be frozen over the 2 games played at Club Championship.
- 2.3.3 (b) Added maximum permissible handicap at AUVGC Club Championships.
- Rule 2.4.1 (a) Added word "current" to conditions for Match Play handicaps.

Proposed structural changes for Oct 2018 AGM

As there are so many amendments required for this Constitution, the Committee decided to reissue a completely new document for acceptance at the AGM.

The main changes are updating the handicapping system, reducing the AGM distribution of paper deadline from 21 days to 14 days prior to the AGM. The remainder of the changes are cosmetic.