



TOMGC Rules and Greens February 2018

The Men's club is off to a good start for 2018. Your officers and board of directors have been selected and are working hard to keep our club moving in the right direction; always searching for improvements wherever possible. Your club officers are: **President** – Mitch Anderson, **Vice-President** – Mike Martens, **Secretary** – Bill Jackson, and **Treasurer** – Scott McClellan.

Committee Representatives include the chairman (first mentioned) and committee members:

Membership – Jim Gilbert, Mitch Anderson, and Dave Mulgrew as the special projects coordinator. **Handicap** – Jim Valenti, Brian Bender, Jerry Smith, and Mike Giulianotti.

Audit – Mike Giulianotti. **Weekday Tournaments** – Jack Cabral, Mike Martens, and Tom Nesvold. **Weekend Tournaments** – Scott McClellan, and Mike Martens.

Communications – Mitch Anderson, and Brian Bender. **Rules and Greens** – Mitch Anderson.

SCGA Delegates – Mike Giulianotti, and Jim Valenti. **Nominations** – Mike Martens.

Board members in charge of **Senior League** play; Jim Valenti and Rick Hiscox, and special projects coordinator Dave Mulgrew. **Tournament Scoring** – Brian Bender, Mitch Anderson, Mike Martens, and Jerry Smith. Our unofficial **Technical Consultant** is Brian Bender, who created and maintains our extraordinary Men's Club Website. Thank you, gentlemen, for all that you do!

Now, a little discussion about rules, and in particular, those changes everyone seems to be talking about today. Golf's governing bodies, the USGA and the R&A, have drafted more than 100 proposed changes to the rules of golf as we know them. Now, this is exciting news, but let's not get carried away thinking that we might make too many changes just yet! While the amendments are expected to make the rules of golf easier to understand and easier to apply, those amendments that the USGA and the R&A might invoke, will not become effective until January 1, 2019. As such, you must still follow the current set of rules that have been in effect since the last official Rules changes which were put into effect as of January 1, 2016; that is, unless your club's set of local rules may have instituted such a change currently. In summary, know the rules, including your local rules, and play by those rules until such time as those rules are changed. Good day, and good golf.