

CAPE FEAR MEN'S CLUB, Inc.

Member Responsibilities

The Cape Fear Men's Club (The Club) is a non-profit organization committed to providing a welcoming environment for our members. The Club is quite unique and boasts a broad cross section of men with various interests, occupations and experiences. Through participation in various meetings, activities and events, members develop bonds of friendship and camaraderie. The Club charges yearly dues set by the Board of Directors, to cover operating expenses and the meals at the six General Meetings. Other costs are collected from those members who sign up to attend Special Events.

Maintaining a Club of 300 members requires the service of many volunteers. Keeping our Club financially sound is equally challenging. All of our members are experienced successful men who should understand the need to follow the communication directives, Punchbowl and email, used to keep the Club functioning smoothly.

Unfortunately, the Club has a number of members who repeatedly ignore messages, invitations and notices to the point of questioning their desire to remain members of the Club at all. The Board and volunteers spend countless hours, with multiple phone and email messages in order to get these offenders to RSVP. Some members simply ignore Punchbowl invites and just show up unannounced. Another vexing problem occurs when members indicate that they will attend a General Meeting or scheduled Event, and do not show up. This behavior is inconsiderate and causes the Events Committee and the VP of Finance valuable time and the Club money. The Club hosts various pay in advance activities for your enjoyment. Some members who sign up for an event only pay up after several reminders; often including personal phone calls by the Events Committee chairman or a member of the Board. This should NEVER be necessary as it often puts both parties in an uncomfortable position.

In order to alleviate these problems, the Board has initiated a list of MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES. These are meant to clearly inform you of **behavior that is expected of all Club members**.

Below are the "responsibilities of all members" of the Cape Fear Men's Club.

1. All members are expected to treat Club Officers, Event Chairman, Activity coordinators and other Club members with respect at all times. This applies to members of any group that is supplying a service to the Club.
2. All members will **respond** to Punchbowl invitations in a timely manner and will review the "Read More" details of each event. It is REQUIRED for Members to respond YES if attending and NO if not attending.
3. If a member has not signed up to attend a General Meeting or a Special Event, **he will not show up**.
4. If a member affirms attendance at a General Meeting or Special Event, **he will attend** unless extenuating circumstances prevent him from attending. In such circumstances, the member will e-mail or text the Events Committee Chairman or the President of the Club as soon as possible.
5. If a member affirms his attendance on Punchbowl for a Club event and does not cancel before the cutoff date, the Member will be responsible for payment for that event including for his guest if applicable.

6. Members will sign in at all General Meetings or Special Events by highlighting their name on the printed list of attendees. Any member bringing a guest to a General Meeting is responsible for signing his guest in and seeing that the dinner fee is paid to the Treasurer.
7. Members are expected to attend two or more General Meetings.
8. Members are expected to actively participate in Club activities.
9. Members are expected to pay for Events on a timely basis.

The Board of Directors will review any violations of these rules and decide if action needs to be taken. Offenders will be notified by the President in writing of any action to be taken up to and including removal for cause as permitted in the Club by-laws.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____