

ROSSMOOR WOMEN'S NINE HOLE GOLF CLUB
BOARD MEETING
Mulligan Room, Creekside Complex
April 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Captain Pat Baker at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Those in attendance were Pat Baker, Karen Wener, Joyce Niebur, Susan Sockol, Lynne Osmundsen, Sarah Buehrer, Mary Kelley, Angie Logsdon, Gerda Peterson, Beverly Meinbress, Penny Ittner, Lydia Bolinger, Fran McDonnell and Vicki Simpson as acting secretary. Excused were Mary Jane Hargrove, Laurie Krelle and Linda Spiegelman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Joyce Niebur made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9th Board Meeting; Sarah Buehrer seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

General Information:

Pat informed the board that the 18'ers are holding a special election to replace their co-captain, Betty Cuniberti, who is moving.

Spring Fling:

Pat thanked Barbara May for her usual good work in help with the models. The 2015 Chairwoman, Marcia Belcher, reported that there were 109 players and 20 additional ladies for lunch. Some of the Niners played on Creekside and then attended the lunch (possibly because the tournament was initially advertised as Best Ball).

Schedule Changes:

There will not be Eclectic Play on June 4th, and September 24th has been added. This was done as a courtesy to the 18'ers, who are hosting an Open Day on the 4th. The five Eclectic Play dates are April 30, May 21, July 16, August 27, and September 24.

Upcoming Events:

On April 16 there will be an etiquette seminar put on by the Pros at 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$5.00.

On April 23 there will be a Markers Training Meeting (& spotters, etc.) immediately following golf.

On April 30 there will be a Team Play Meeting after golf, which is the first day of the Eclectic Tournament. A News Blast relative to the Team Play events will be sent to Mary Jane to send to the membership.

On May 14 we host the first round of Team Play.

On May 21 is our second day of Eclectic Play.

On May 30 we will host the First Tee Fundraiser. The cost is \$35 each for lunch and games. There will be raffle prizes. Ten First Tee girls will attend. Those interested in donating funds to cover the entry fee for the girls should contact Karen Larkin.

Course information:

The sanding on Creekside is done until the fall. The fence around the lake was vandalized twice.

CO-CAPTAINS REPORT:

Jamboree:

Karen Wener reported that the plans for the 2015 Jamboree are in progress. There have been two meetings with Berkshire Hathaway (formerly Prudential Realty). They are pleased about the possible increase in players, due to our use of the 18-hole course. They have expressed interest in providing breakfast, drink carts, signs on the tees, posters, helping with décor that advertises their company and with publicity. Here again, we would use email blasts to contact the membership.

Open Days:

May 12th and 13th there are open days in Merced and Turlock, and one in Saratoga on May 20. Applicable forms are in the Binder in the Pro Shop.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Mary Jane was excused.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Checking Account:

Joyce Niebur reported that the checking account balance as of March 31 was \$9,328.27. This includes new deposits of \$814.88 and payables of \$1844.13. The payables include Hole-in-One Reserve of \$955, Corena Green Reserve of \$222.88, Play Day Awards for March of \$99, Meet and Greet Expenses of \$475, web site bill for March of \$48.25, General Meeting expenses of \$40, and miscellaneous expenses of \$72. The working balance is \$7,416.14.

Invoices:

Joyce further reports that some of the play day awards were incomplete, but she discussed them with the Pro Shop and they will be corrected. She had an unidentified invoice for logo balls; Gerda Peterson informed her were for Team Plan.

Driver Reimbursement:

Although our Standing Rules state that drivers are to be reimbursed for gas/mileage when required to attend WNHGA meetings, an amount is not specified. It was agreed that 25-cents per mile would be appropriate when the destination is 15 miles or over in one direction.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRWOMEN'S REPORT:

Participation:

Chairwoman Susie Sockol reported that participation in Play Days in March and April has been good (in excess of 50 players) and she and Laurie are considering adding a fourth flight to accommodate the increase in players. Lydia Bolinger reminded us that the Standing Rules have specific instructions in this regard.

Upcoming Schedule:

They are attempting to have "games" every other week, with low net on the interim weeks. She said the scorecards are looking better.

Publication of Play Day Results:

In the future, the newspaper articles will announce the winners, but not the scores or the amount of the awards. The complete information will be available on the web site and posted on the bulletin board in the Pro Shop.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMEN'S REPORT:

Lunch after Play Days:

Lynne Osmundsen reported that there is a table reserved at Creekside for twelve every Thursday after golf, excluding the days of our luncheon events.

Team Play Event:

Lynne has been working with the Team Play Captains on the May 14th event. She wants all tournament chairwomen to know that she is available to help with any part of the social aspect of their events.

Event Center Lockers:

Pat Baker notified the Board that she had been contacted by Mike Fleck on behalf of TGIF and he wanted us to switch our middle locker with that club and take a lower one. We all agreed that we are not comfortable with using a lower level locker. A discussion followed on what is stored in all our three storage locations, the Event Center, the Creekside hallway, and the storage shed.

HANDICAP CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Sarah Buehrer reported that the score cards are looking much better. She reminded us of the Equitable Stroke rule, the necessity of posting, and the proper way to fill out the score cards (print, last name first with complete first name second (no initials), and signing, dating, and attesting on the proper place on the front of the card).

RULES CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Barry Rhodes Rules Videos:

Mary Kelley reported that she had attended a Rules Seminar at Stonebrae Golf Course, along with Penny Ittner, Pat Baker and Barbara May. The Seminar included viewing five Barry Rhodes videos on the Rules of Golf; each was five minutes long. Mary felt the videos were an excellent way to teach the rules and the Board discussed various ways that we could share these videos with our membership. She will look into the possibility of using the smaller room at the Event Center for a presentation and will report back.

Blue 9'er Rule Book:

Mary and Bev Meinbress reviewed the current 9'er Rule Book and found some errors. Bev met with Mark and submitted the revisions, which he approved. Because the Rules will change in 2016, they determined not to reprint the book at this time. Mary has printed out an addendum that can be stapled into the current edition.

Winter Rules:

There were different opinions relative to who is responsible for determining when winter rules are in effect. This needs to be clarified; however, it was the Board's opinion that we will not use winter rules from this date forward this year unless we experience winter-like weather. A notice will be posted on the bulletin board.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRWOMAN:

Current Membership:

Angie Logsdon reported we currently have 156 members, with another potential member considering transferring over from the 18'ers. If a potential member plays on one of our Play Days, it must be approved by the Captain.

Dissatisfied Members:

Pat Baker asked that Angie contact a member who is still unclear as to our Play Day sign-in routine and is feeling uncomfortable with her membership. A discussion followed as to who is to follow-up on members who continually

break rules on Play Days. It was the majority of the Board's feelings that the foursomes should handle the errors as they occur. The offending player can always appeal the decision at the end of the round of play in accordance with USGA protocol.

Parking at Gateway:

Angie reminded us that we cannot park golf carts on the cement at Gateway.

TEAM PLAY CHAIRWOMEN'S REPORT:

Gerda Peterson reported that there are currently 18 members signed up to participate in Team Play. The index figures used to determine the three flights have been changed this year: first flight is 14.9 and under; second is 15.0 – 19.9; third flight is 20.0 and above. The sign-up sheet will be available until May 5. The Marker training meeting will be after golf on April 23, and the player training meeting will be after golf on the 30th. Six players will participate in each match; all will receive a logo ball when they play. There will also be a sign-up sheet on the counter for those who wish to join the group for lunch on May 14th.

PUBLICITY CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Team Play:

Penny will be submitting an article to the Rossmoor News relative to the procedure for Team Play. Gerda will give her the information.

Spring Fling Photos:

Mike DiCarlo took pictures at the event. Penny took some on her tablet and Susie Sockol took some on her phone. Penny will send some to the web site.

Charlene Gonzales:

The picture taken of Charlene receiving the Most Improved Award from WNHGA will be forwarded to WNHGA for inclusion in their web site and it will run for the year.

Creekside Course History:

Penny will be submitting an article to the News regarding the history of the Creekside Course. All Board members felt that would be of interest to all members.

GAC REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

Revenue:

Lydia reported that revenues are up for both green fees and merchandise, most likely partially due to the mild weather.

Emergency Protocol:

The GAC established a protocol for emergencies on the Dollar Course. This will be on the Bulletin Boards and most likely distributed for the enlightenment of all four golf clubs.

Course Superintendent:

Blake reported on the vandalism to the fence around the pond on Creekside; it was felt that the two incidences occurred on Mondays. The water district wants a 25% reduction in water usage and Blake has been meeting with them relative to ways we can conserve. We are already taking measures such as reducing fairways with the use of wood chips, etc. As a matter of information, we have not used any East Bay MUD water on the course this year.

Golf Course Misbehavior:

The GAC will be notifying two RMGC members of infractions on the course. One member is using the course to give golf lessons, which is in violation with GRF regulations. Another member has continuously broken rules such as playing extra holes, and not returning golf carts. They will be receiving letters from the GAC.

PG&E:

PG&E is doing some work on their lines which may interfere with some scheduled golf tournaments.

OTHER REPORTS:

Vicki Simpson, who is acting as a Tournament Advisor this year, reported that she has put together a 12-page tutorial that she will provide to each special tournament chairwoman. This packet includes timelines, fee schedules, caterer contracts, budget and expense reports, maps of the various locations, tournament information sheet for the pro shop, raffle information, etc. She will be meeting this afternoon with the chairwoman of the first scheduled tournament, Karen Wener, for the Jamboree.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. by Captain Pat Baker.

Next meeting is Monday, May 11, at 9:00 a.m. in the Mulligan Room at Creekside.

Vicki Simpson
Acting Secretary