

ROSSMOOR WOMEN'S NINE HOLE GOLF CLUB
BOARD MEETING
Potluck Brunch at the home of Karen Wener
January 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Captain Pat Baker at 9:07 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Susie Sockol made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8 Board Meeting; Laurie Krelle seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Introduction:

Pat opened by thanking Karen for again opening her lovely home to us for the first meeting of the year and the brunch that followed. She then thanked all the new and returning Board Members and those with Special Assignments for their attendance and willingness to serve. Pat distributed copies of the Agenda, The 2015 Board and Assignments, The 2015 Schedule, and the schedule of the WNHGA Open Days and other events for 2015 to all in attendance.

Starting in February, the Board will be meeting in the Mulligan Room at 9:00 a.m. on the second Monday of each month. Coffee, regular and decaf, and tea will be available. Members were encouraged to bring their own cups, which could be left in storage in our lockers at Creekside. Because of the size of the group this year, Pat emphasized that we need quick, easy, and effective communication. The best way to reach Pat is by email; second best is her home phone. Last option is her cell (212-1327); she is unavailable on every Wednesday and Sunday and every other Monday or Tuesday. She will answer emails and phone messages as quickly as possible. She asked that all members present review their communication information on the list of the Board Members. Karen Wener added her cell phone (415-309-1017), as did Mary Kelley (510-501-0792), and Beverly Meinbress (415-699-5801). Penny Ittner asked that we disregard the land line listed and use her cell phone, which is 925-822-2810. Pat will check with those who were not in attendance and we will be able to update our lists.

Special Assignments:

Pat is hoping to recruit experienced members to chair our two Major Championships, Match Play and TOC. She then would like said experienced chairwomen to seek two or three newer or less experienced

members to assist, preparing them to be chairwomen in future years. Barbara May has agreed to chair the Tournament of Champions in 2015. As of this date, the Match Play Tournament does not have a chairwoman.

Posters/Flyers, Envelopes, and Photos:

Pat asked for a volunteer to be our photographer for pictures for the Web Site and the Newspaper. (The Newspaper is now able to use photos that have been taken by our phones. Susie Sockol volunteered to help with pictures when she can. She will definitely take pictures at the Meet and Greet. Pat reminded us that all photos need to be sent to Penny Ittner first, as she is the only one authorized to deal with Maureen at the Rossmoor News and Martha, our web master.

The pros and cons of envelopes versus sign-up sheets was discussed at length and was tabled until our February meeting.

Meet and Greet:

Susie Sockol and Laurie Krelle will be presenting information on proper score card preparation and procedure on Play Days and will be distributing the rules regarding same, as well as signing-in procedure. Everyone needs a refresher and both long time and new members need to understand that they could be disqualified for not following proper procedure. Lynne Osmundsen would like to collect 7 pairs of old golf shoes to be used in decorating. They would also like to temporarily have the loan of old wooden golf clubs if anyone has any.

By-Laws and Standing Rules:

Pat reviewed pertinent information from our By-Laws and Standing Rules and reiterated that all Board Members should have copies of them in their position binders, along with the Policies.

Golf Clubs Directory:

The Directory is at the printer and will be coming out at the end of the month. We ordered 180 copies for distribution to the 9'ers. We have 148 members currently and the rest will be used for new members as they join. Angie Logsdon will be receiving and distributing the directories. Most will be mailed and some will be handed out. Angie will most likely be asking for assistance in the distribution.

CO-CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Karen Wener stated that her goals for 2015 for the Club include having someone from the Pro Shop staff physically come out to the 6th Hole on a couple of our Play Days to instruct on the proper procedure for handling the Red and Yellow Stakes on the creek. She would also like to have some 9'er clinics and would like to have interested 9'ers attend a golf camp. She will be chairing the Jamboree this year.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

In the absence of Mary Jane Hargrove, last year's secretary, Vicki Simpson, briefly explained the procedure by which we email the membership.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Our 2015 Treasurer, Joyce Niebur, complimented the past treasurer, Mary Jane, on her organization and efficiency. As Joyce has a Mac and Mary Jane a PC, they will be getting together when Mary Jane returns from vacation to work on the transition. We had \$3,165.08 of operating cash in the checking account as of December 31, 2014, and had a net revenue increase of \$972.15 from 2014. Joyce distributed copies of the 2014 Financial Report.

2015 Budget:

Joyce distributed the 2015 Budget Worksheet to all members present. A very brief discussion followed, including the increase of our income (due to the dues increase) and the need to improve our presence in the display cabinet at Creekside. Karen Wener motioned that we approve the projected budget, Lynne Osmundsen seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMEN'S REPORT:

Susie Sockol and Laurie Krelle will be handling Play Day Tournaments this year. The subject of possibly using a sign-up system on Thursdays was again discussed at length by the Board. The pros included the possibility of increasing attendance and the cons included difficulties for the people running the tournaments relative to time and the ability to review score cards in a timely manner. Although previous boards had voted to give sign-ups a try, this board was reluctant to do so. Rather, it was the consensus of the members present that keeping the shotgun start was preferable but that it would be beneficial to keep the start time at 9:00 all year through. Sarah Buehrer motioned that we keep the shotgun start time at 9:00 a.m. throughout the year, Penny Ittner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. This will have to be followed up with the Pro Shop staff before it can be established for certain.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMEN'S REPORT:

Lynne Osmundsen and Linda Spiegelman are the Social Chairwomen this year; Linda was excused. Lynne reported that they had met with Karen Wener and Pat Baker regarding the Meet and Greet, and plans are underway. They have an appointment this Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. with Ann of Creekside Grill to discuss procedures for working on menus for the various tournaments and meetings in 2015.

HANDICAP CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Sarah Buehrer continues as our Handicap Chairwoman. She will continue to review the completion of the score cards and posting and will again be responsible for announcing the most improved player at our Holiday Luncheon in December. She reminded the board that everyone is a possible candidate for most improved because the improvement is not based on the total number of strokes but on a percentage. Low handicap players have just as good of an opportunity.

RULES CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Mary Kelley discussed the duties of the Rules Chairwoman, which included arranging a workshop and attending the Rules Committee meetings (Men's Club, 18'ers, Hackers and 9'ers). She will be posting a Rules of Golf Tip on our Bulletin Board each week. If time allows, she would like to share some of the information at the Meet and Greet.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRWOMAN:

Angie Logsdon was excused. Captain Pat Baker reported that we have 148 members and 3 currently submitting applications.

TEAM PLAY CHAIRWOMEN'S REPORT:

Beverly Meinbress and Gerda Peterson will repeat as our Team Play Captains this year. Beverly will be on vacation for two of the away tournaments and Sarah Buehrer will assist Gerda on those occasions. We host the first match on May 14, there will be four away matches during the remainder of May and in June. We are in Division B this year and will compete against Moraga, Sequoyah, Marin, and Crow Canyon.

PUBLICITY CHAIRWOMAN'S REPORT:

Penny Ittner will be handling publicity with the Rossmoor News and the Website. She is also attempting to get some of our information on the Rossmoor TV Channel 28. She has already posted the Events Calendar, the Captain's Corner, and the list of Board Members on the Website. She is drafting an article for the News to come out on the 1/21 issue that encourages members to use the Website as a source for important information relative to our club.

GAC REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

Lydia Bolinger is our representative on the Golf Advisory Board. She distributed a copy of the Golf Management Report to the members in attendance. In summary, she informed us that the money collected from rounds of golf passed \$1,000,000 this year. Effort to discourage the geese is still a major priority (our resident river otter appears to help). The new head marshal is Dickey Nitta.

OTHER REPORTS:

Vicki Simpson, who is acting as a Tournament Advisor this year, asked that all Tournament chairwomen include her in their initial meetings, as well as a representative from the Social Committee. She will be assisting in the organization and reporting on the forms which were established last year by the Treasurer, Mary Jane Hargrove.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned on 11:15 a.m. by Captain Pat Baker.

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

Vicki Simpson
Acting Secretary