

The Villages Women's 18-Hole Golf Association Board Minutes
March 4, 2024

Captain: Patti Bell

Patti called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

Present: Patti Bell, Kerry Besmehn, Cindy Fuller, Camille Giuliiodibari, Janet Gonzales, Vicki Krattli, Gloria Landry, Barbara Nilsen, Marky Olsen, Mazie Rice, Millie Anne Schwerin, Helen Varenkamp

February 5, 2024 - Minutes Approved

Co-Captain Report: Helen Varenkamp

Helen reported that the Invitational is going well and at this point we are on schedule. The Invitational theme was revealed at the February 29th lunch after the General Meeting. The Invitational Committee sang a song that was written by Donna Quartaro. The theme is...

[THOSE LAZY, HAZY, CRAZY DAYZ OF SUMMER.](#)

Information about the tournament and the registration form will be sent out by Wednesday, this week.

Treasurer's Report: Gloria Landry

Gloria reported that she paid \$100, for the 2023 Holiday Luncheon, in January 2024 and she had to categorized it under Administrative, Actual to Date.

The NCGA dues (\$3,236) that were paid from our account will be reimbursed back into our account after we get a check from accounting.

VGC Report: Janis LeCompte – absent - See Janis LeCompte's report at the end of the minutes.

Vicki Krattli read Janis' report.

Playdays: Kerry Besmehn/Cindy Fuller

Cindy reported for February...

Due to bad weather we had to move the Captain's Trophy to February 29th.

We had...

180 players (95 from the 18/9-Hole Mixer)

\$189 paid out in sweeps

Tournaments: Camille Giuliiodibari/Millie Anne Schwerin

Camille reported that the Mixer was successful. We had 95 players, and everyone had a good time. She received some suggestions regarding Mixer...

- 1) More balls should be paid out. See Kerry recommendations on this issue.
- 2) Have two people at the registrations table for each tournament to assist members.
Camille and Millie Anne will have the tournament chairs sit at the registration table during check-in to assist members who may need assistance.

Kerry and Lo are the chairs for the first Saturday Tournament. Kerry reported that the Saturday Tournament on March 16th filled up in two days and she has 9 people on the waiting list. It will be a St. Patrick's theme. After, we will have a green theme lunch at Kerry and Lo's house, \$2 per person. Kerry will send the waiting list to Scott so if someone calls him to cancel, he can fill in the space.

Handicap: Janet Gonzales/Marky Olsen

Janet reported that she and Marky are working with the Shonis signing-up with NCGA.

Membership: Mazie Rice

Mazie reported that we have...

119 Members

4 New Members this year

66 Dual Members (9 are Primary Swingers)

Mazie reported that the on-line Membership Form on our website is better than filling out a hardcopy of the form. The information that the new member fills in on the online form will automatically go into the Membership Directory on the website.

Rules: Vicki Krattli

Nothing to report

Mediation: Barbara Nilsen

Barbara was given a document from Gloria Landry titled, "Common Course Courtesy." Barbara is going to edit the document and send it out to the membership.

New Business

Kerry and Patti received some comments and suggestions after the 18/9-Hole Ladies Mixer. After reviewing all the comments, Kerry came up with the following recommendations...

Mixer - Continue to payout in golf balls with 2 sleeves for Closet to the Pin on holes #4 & #11. Have 3 to 4 flights instead of 1 flight. Sleeve of golf balls to first place foursome (4 sleeves), 2 balls to 2nd place (2 & 2/3 sleeves) and 1 ball to 3rd place (1 & 1/3 sleeves) for each flight. Increase cost of 24 sleeves at \$4.50 per sleeve = \$108.

Beat the Pro – Increase the payout for each place so both players of the twosome receive \$8 for 1st, \$7 for 2nd, \$6 for 3rd and \$5 for 4th. Increase cost of \$44.

Halloween – Pay all players in the foursome for winning rather than sharing \$8 for first place. Two flights with payout of top three places is \$168. (\$32 for 1st, \$28 for 2nd and \$24 for 3rd) Increase cost of \$120

Total cost of recommendations is \$272

Patti reported that she got a call from Clay Curtin, Assistant General Manager of Golf & Recreation Services. He told Patti how supportive he was of our group and that there were no issues with the 18-Hole Ladies having their own Saturday Tournaments.

Meeting adjourned at 4:28 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen Varenkamp, for Mary Wagle, Secretary

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From VGC Meeting February 8, 2024
By Janis LeCompte

GMS Report – Mark reported that there were 6 large trees lost in this storm along with tree limbs and debris littered throughout the course and practice area. The hope is to have the course cleaned by the end of next week. The crew will then commence edging the cart paths, continue treatment of the daisy control, tilling bunkers, and deep tine aeration of the fairways. Rainfall YTD is 157% of average.

Golf Operations – Total rounds YTD (fiscal) were 27,752, a 7% increase year over year. Resident 18-hole rounds were up 15% YOY, guest rounds up 5% YOY. 9 hole rounds were up 1% and par 3 course rounds were up 20%. In all categories, rounds were up 39%. Golf revenue was significantly under budget due to inclement weather.

Penalty Areas – Yellow stakes have been added to the penalty areas on holes 9 and 18. Yellow button pavement markers may be a possibility as well and Susie Conklin has suggested yellow pain as an option. Dave Dimmick will oversee the project as it is ongoing. Scott will be adding an educational section to his Fast Lane article.

Culture of Care – Janis LeCompte brought up the issue of the placement of the tee markers on the tee boxes. Mark will again educate his crew. Mike Schwerin thanked the CBOD for the approval of monies for the cart path repairs that the VGC recommended. Mike S and David Gonzales used existing tee box figures and using USGA recommendations came up with general sizes for tee boxes according to the amount of play from each of the tee boxes. Mike, David, and Janis will go out and measure each tee box, recalculate, and make recommendations as to the sizes the tee boxes should be.

Revenue – Mary is working with Scott to add new tournaments to the yearly calendar. Some of the tournaments include: Sunday sweeps program, 4 additional 9 and dine tournaments, a Buddies invitational, a glow ball tournament, 2 Swinger exchange days, and the Clyne Solely Tournament. Mary thanked her revenue committee Laura Swenson, Susan Anderson, Donna Quartaro, Betty Hall, Pam McCarthy, and Gail Tuft.

Financial Report – David Gonzales reported that December green fees were up 37%, total golf revenue up 15%. Golf expenses were \$102.9K unfavorable. Water was unfavorable \$124K and possibly a clerical error. Golf deficit was \$72K but YTD surplus was \$36.3K.

Bunker Project – Mike Poellot reported that 95% of the conceptual designs are done. Contractor interviews have been scheduled. There was discussion about how to approach the project to keep play going during the work.

Open Discussion – Susie Conklin brought up painting the penalty areas around the course. Dave Dimmick will work with Scott.