

**The Villages Women's 18-Hole Golf Association Board Minutes
November 3, 2025**

Captain: Helen Varenkamp

Helen called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

BOD Members Present: Susan Anderson, Michelle Chung, Dianne Doughty, Cindy Fuller, Vicki Krattli, Gloria Landry, Jan Mahoney, Barbara Nilsen, Marky Olsen, Mazie Rice, Millie-Anne Schwerin and Helen Varenkamp,

BOD Members Absent: Mary Wagle

Others Present: None

October 6 Meeting Minutes: Barb Nilsen made a motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded by Marky. All were in favor, so the minutes are hereby approved.

Co-Captain Report: Mazie Rice- The implementation of GGID program has gone very smoothly with minimal backlash. We requested that Scott add a section to the Tournament Set-Up form to address whether or not to suppress the Leaderboard. It is currently set as a default to show it. Mazie will ask the membership at the General Meeting for a show-of-hands on their preferences.

Treasurer's Report: Gloria Landry- Gloria reported a checkbook balance of \$8,143.95 as of October 27. She then estimated what we had yet to spend, resulting in an estimated year-end balance of \$5,849.28. After discussion, the board voted to subsidize the Holiday Luncheon with \$2,000. Therefore, each member who participates in the lunch will be charged \$20 to her house account. Barb Nilsen made the motion for the lunch subsidy, and Dianne seconded. All were in favor, so the lunch subsidy is approved. Gloria will get a list of luncheon attendees from Vivian Brown, and she will send a spreadsheet to accounting for billing to the individual's house account. The credit will go to our Women's 18-Hole account. Albert will charge the 18-Hole Women's account for the actual cost of the Holiday Luncheon.

VGC Report: Vicki Krattli – presented the report on behalf of Janis LeCompte. See attached.

Playdays: Cindy Fuller/Michelle Chung- Cindy reported that total rounds played in October were 220, and year-to-date rounds played through the end of October were 2,349. Scott requested that our membership be advised that cutoff for Play Day sign up is Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. Several women were upset with the Pro Shop, because they were able to sign up on the tee sheet but could only follow the field. This is a Cobalt limitation. Chelsea used to lock out the tee sheet. An email blast was sent about this matter. It was also brought to our attention by Janet Gonzalez that the Pro Shop has not been putting the required 40 handicap cap on our Captain's Trophy Play Days per our SOP's. Cindy has requested they build a separate tournament for Captain's Trophy. She and Janet both researched that no payouts were made to anyone with a handicap higher than 40.

Tournaments: Millie-Anne Schwerin/Susan Anderson- Millie-Anne reported that Saturday's tournament hit the maximum 40 players on November 1. Attendees were surprised and delighted that no money was collected for lunch. The sandwiches and fruit were well received. The previous three Saturday tournaments resulted in enough extra money to subsidize lunch for the last one of the year. There were some comments about the structure of the foursomes. More discussion will follow with the Saturday chairs creating the foursomes in the future.

Handicap: Marky Olsen/Jan Mahoney- Marky reported she is prepared to announce the Most Improved Player and the player who has played the most games this year at the General Meeting.

Membership: Dianne Doughty- Dianne reported there have been six new members this year. Our count for 2026 right now stands at 111. Dianne will be conducting a New Member Orientation at her house on November 14 at 3:00 p.m. The six new members are Neda Dorjath, Lisa Smith, Jeemee Kim, Hanhi Min,

Betty Chase, and Cindy Herbert. Dianne has assigned subject presentations to the various Board Members attending the orientation.

Rules: Vicki Krattli- Vicki reported that an additional on-course rules clinic has been scheduled for November 18 from 2:30-4:30 starting at hole #9. Don Chaison and Susie-Q Conklin will be the official instructors. Helen requested a flyer to add to her email blast. She was sent the one put out by the Ladies 9-Hole Club.

Mediation: Barbara Nilsen- Barb had no issues to report. She will prepare a report for the General Meeting citing those things that might require a mediator's attention.

Old Business

Golf Genius for Scoring- Mazie advised that the GGID scoring is now a non-issue. The majority of the 18-Hole women have tried the app at least once. Mazie will try to get a handle at the General Meeting regarding showing or suppressing the leaderboard. Some ladies reported that they find it too distracting.

Tee It Forward- To date, only five women have indicated they are interested in playing from the 2/1 tees. The Turkey Shoot will be from the 2/1's which may generate more interest. More research needs to be done regarding mixing tees within a given flight.

Ad Hoc Committee Rebalancing Flights- It is anticipated that flighting by Index will be tested for at least the first quarter of 2026. Member input will be welcomed. It also gives us a chance to validate the WHS in our Club.

Re-ranking Hole-by-Hole Handicaps- Mazie advised that the committee (Vicki, Janet, Jan, Kathy and Mazie) is very close to making their recommendations. The conversation had on October 31 did not translate to the final list. They are tasked with renumbering according to their understanding and they are including Annie Bassford at the next meeting.

By-law Change Article III – Membership Change- Helen will present this at the General Meeting. The recommended By-law change: "d. Associate Membership 2) Any member who wishes to transition from a regular Membership to an Associate Membership may do so by submitting an email request to the Membership Director.

New Business

- General Meeting: Helen handed out the Agenda, including the aforementioned By-law change.
- The subject of the cost for future Captain's Bells surfaced. Per Diana Hallock, the jeweler advises that the current cost of gold is \$4,400 per ounce versus \$2,500 the last time we purchased two. We have a bell for 2025 and 2026. The jeweler estimates that what cost us \$600 last time will most likely be in the \$900 range. We tabled the conversation for the next Board meeting.

Action Items:

- All Board Members will prepare reports for the General Meeting.
- Gloria will get a list of Holiday Luncheon attendees from Vivian Brown to do the billing subsidy.
- Mazie will check our club's governing documents to make sure they align with the motion to allow play from 3/2 combo tees, 2 tees, 2/1 combo tees, or 1 tees. She will also poll membership at the General Meeting to determine their preference whether or not to suppress the leaderboard in Golf Genius.
- Ad Hoc Committee will do further research on flighting by Index versus tees.

Meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m. The next meeting is on Monday, December 1, 3:00 p.m. in the Cribari Sequoia Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mazie Rice, Co-Captain on behalf of Mary Wagle

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From VGC October 9, 2025

Welcome – 2026 The VGC will meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 3:00 at the Montgomery Center. VGC would like feedback from the golfers in regard to the sample tee markers on holes 4 and 10.

GMS - Green aeration is complete and GMS is now aerating interseeding and topdressing the fairways to improve turf density. Plugs are being repurposed. Tree work is ongoing. Grub damage, gopher and squirrel management is ongoing.

Golf Operations – September rounds were up 2% YOY. Member 18-hole rounds were down 6%, 9-hole rounds down 2% and Par 3 rounds up 2%. Guest rounds were up 19% YOY. YTD guest rounds constitute 26% of total rounds played and 42% of green fees revenue. Maggie Romanov has joined the Pro Shop team part time. Golf Genius live scoring will soft launch in October for the 18-hole women and will go live January 26th. The winter schedule will begin November 2nd.

Culture of Care – Janis and Bob compiled a back nine list of observations for September. They emphasized that the bushes in the median of Fairway Drive need to be trimmed so cars can see golf walkers and carts crossing the street. It was also mentioned that 18-hole women are encouraging playing it forward and would like to see the #1 tee boxes cleaned up. Justin asked that Janis send a list of items needing attention to Scott and GMS will address the problems. Janis requested that flag cups be added to the practice greens and Teddy Morse requested cups for the Par3 course as well. Janis also mentioned that we would like Marshals to be more visible, especially on weekends and outside tournament days.

Financials – Golf services September net income was positive \$4,180. GMS course expense was negative \$17,310. There were 599 carts showing an increase of 4 for September totaling \$12,579. No water bill info.

Revenue - The Ron Burke Memorial Golf Tournament is full and will be October 13th, with a 1:00 shotgun with dinner to follow. Sadie Hawkins is October 17th, the Glow Ball is November 7th, starting at 6:30. Mary will be leaving the VGC at year's end. The thought is to no longer have a revenue generating member and to share ideas for tournaments and have the pro shop run the tournaments.

Open Items - Michael brought up a suggestion of a Non-Resident Players card. It would be revenue generating for the golf course. After discussion, it was decided that Michael would draft a proposal and we will discuss at the next meeting.