

WMGA Quarterly Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2019

The Board meeting was called to order at 2: p.m.

Board members in attendance were:

Bob Creager, President
Jim Fairall, Director
Joe Smith, Treasurer
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary

Bill Ackerman, Vice President
David Franek, Director
BJ Bjornaas (by phone)

Representing The Woods Club:
Sally Johnston
Ron Springer

Representing Member-Guest Committee:
George Goodman
Frank Mams
Gary Cooney

Items under discussion included:

Member-Guest Tournament

Bob informed the participants that Frank Mams will be taking the lead for next year's Member-Guest tournament. Jim Fairall then provided a summary of the tournament finances:

- Tournament fee was raised to \$320 per team this year, \$5 higher than last year
- 29 teams participated, down from 31 teams last year and 42 the year before.
- Total income (including fees from one team that dropped out) was \$9,280
- Expenses included:

○ Closest to pin prizes	\$ 400.00
○ Food and Beverages	\$4,478.05
○ Tee Gifts	\$2,204.00
○ Prize Payouts	\$2,070.00
○ Miscellaneous Costs	<u>\$ 220.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$9,372.05
- The total income less expenses yielded a net loss of \$92.05, though this could change slightly when some expenses for beverages are finalized.

The net effect is that we came within 1% of our break even goal.

Several issues were identified *for consideration* by the committee for next year's tournament:

- The two day format was well received though there were some concerns that not flying the first day on Stony may be seen as a disadvantage to higher handicapped players, even if they happened to play well on Stony Lick.

- The time allotted for the initial Calcutta was overestimated and could be shortened next year.
- Drop in participation was discussed, but no consensus reached about increasing play by members or identifying guests for members needing one.
- Include team with the lowest net score in the shootout to increase interest.
- Consider awarding prizes in the skins contest for:
 - Gross birdies
 - A gross and net award for each hole with a single buy in;
 - Alternately, having separate skin contests for gross and net scores per hole with a \$5 buy in for either or both scores;

Board Member Tenure

Bob checked with Board members to see whose term was maturing this year and, if so, would they be interested in continuing to serve on the Board. Joe Smith is the only member completing his 3 year term this here and he expressed his interest in continuing to serve as Treasurer.

Bob advised that he is looking for someone who can more actively participate as Tournament Chair. There is a need to review the long established prize payout schedule, particularly for the larger tournaments. It does not seem appropriate to have as many as 8 prize winners in a single tournament. Ron Springer advised that he will need the Tournament Chair to sit down with him by the middle of August to work out the tournament schedule for next year.

Financial

Joe Smith reported that we have a balance of \$2,604.19 in the WMGA bank account. Our membership is currently at 109 paid members, down from 142 last year.

Jim Fairall summarized the current state of our finances by pointing out the following:

- The lower membership resulted in a lower actual income than our projected income.
- The miscellaneous expenses are lower than what was projected but that is still subject to change.
- Through the mixed derby tournament our actual net income is about \$400 above our projected net income at that point.
- Two cost items that could impact this balance are the cost for trophies (\$171 plus shipping) that may be higher than projected and the cost we may need to cover if the extra tee gifts from the member-guest(\$80) are not sold by the club house.

In this vein, Bob pointed out that the WWGA has asked if we will again be sponsoring the Mixed Charity tournament with a \$100 donation. Though we made such a donation last year, Bob pointed out that he is putting up 3 putters and one hybrid iron for auction at

the tournament next week. This should generate significantly more than a \$100 donation. Accordingly, it was decided to forego a donation.

Woodsmen

Bob asked if there were any concerns about the WMGA administration of the Woodsmen weekend golf. No one had heard any negative reactions and folks who are participating seem to like the online registration. It was pointed out that Joy Johnston, with BJ's help, had done a great job putting the registration system up.

E-5 Rule (Ball lost or out of Bounds)

Ron has incorporated the language for the e-5 rule in the clubs local rules. It is noted that this rule, developed by the USGA and adopted by the WMGA/WWGA does not apply in any championship tournaments, specifically the Club Championship, the Senior/ Super-Senior Championship, or the Stony Lick Championship.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15

Prepared by:
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary