WMGA Special Meeting Minutes July 31, 2021

The meeting began at 3:05 p.m. In attendance were:

Voting MembersNon-Voting MembersKeith CasperBob Creager, ex-officio

Scott Nichols Mark Clowser

Joe Smith BJ Bjornaas (by phone)
Bob Wilhelm Mike Harbin (for TMG)

Vince Serio Frank Mams

The Woods Club
Sally Johnston

Discussions:

Member Guest Tournament

There were a total of 56 players who participated.

Income from entry fees, sponsorships, and a few donations: \$9,920.00

Expenses for:

Four meals, a snack, and beverages \$5,081.03

Tee gifts \$2,007.54

Cash/gift card awards (exclusive of Skins and Calcutta payouts) \$2,060.00

Gratuities \$300.00

Total expenses \$9,448.57

Net profit \$ 471.43

The Woods Club contributed \$4,119 to the Member Guest by waiving 28 member's cart fees and 28 guest's green/cart fees for Friday through Sunday. Though there were some suggestions from participants to modify the format, the current 2 day 36 hole format on Stony Lick and Mountain View seems to fit our membership better. Frank Mams is willing to manage the tournament again next year and plans will devote more attention to the menu choices and will happily consider any suggestions from members to enhance the tournament.

Senior/Super Senior Tournament

There has been a growing number of "younger" members participating in tournaments and several have questioned why the age eligibility for the senior tournament is set at 70. Many, if not most other definitions of senior status is age 65. The age for the senior tournament was originally set at 70 to provide older Woods golfers an opportunity separate from the Club Championship to compete among their peers in a championship tournament. This Woods specific definition of senior status will remain for at least one more year. However, we will add a third flight to the Senior tournament for members aged 65 to 69 to compete for cash prizes separate from the Senior and Super Senior champion trophies.

Budget

The WMGA paid \$129.31 for beer at the Mixed Derby tournament.

The current balance in the WMGA Treasury is \$6,508.35

The Treasurer submitted a proposal for the Board's consideration to increase our annual dues from the current \$35 to \$50. This would bring us in line with the WWGA and the Thursday Men's Golf league. To make the increase in dues more palatable, the entry fees for the three championship tournaments would be waived. This would provide the Board the opportunity to:

- Increase championship prize monies
- Provide at least one more meal at a championship tournament, and
- Provide additional funds for tee gifts at the Member-Member.

This proposal was made for future consideration and was not put up for a vote.

Charity Tournament

The women did a great job with the charity tournament this year. It is the WMGA's turn to manage the tournament in 2022. It had been suggested that the charity tournament be opened to all class A homeowners and possibly even to the public. If we go that route, the tournament would have to be held on a weekday rather than a weekend, preferably a Monday to give weekenders an opportunity to participate by taking a long weekend from work. Sally will check with Ron to see if there is a Monday available in the same timeframe as our past charity tournaments (mid-July). If the WMGA plans to take this route, the first order of business will be to identify someone who would be interested in leading such a venture.

Handicap for Member-Guest

A suggestion was made that guests without an established handicap must submit at least 5 scores so the Pro Shop can compute a handicap for the tournament. If no scores are presented, the guest should play at scratch (0 handicap). These details will be worked out between the Member-Guest chair and the Pro Shop.

Member-Member Gifts

Several options for gifts have been shared with Board members. None of the choices are especially unique and include items that many if not most golfers have in abundance, (coolers, divot tools, club brushes, mugs, etc.) It was suggested that we go with past successes and explore golf shirts, vests, or the like.

WMGA Web Page

The board's individual email addresses were removed from the "About Us" section of the website quite a while back. Joy has now added the association's new email address (wmga@thewoods.com) to the landing page and the bottom of the "About Us" page as the only contact email address.

Handicap and Rules

It was pointed out that the USGA requires each club to have a handicap committee, consisting of a member from each of the club's golf groups (WMGA & WWGA) and the Pro to establish uniform rules for handicapping and monitoring member's handicaps. Ron will call a meeting of the WMGA and WWGA Handicap chairs to insure we are in compliance with USGA requirements.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Prepared by: Vince Serio, Recording Secretary