

WMGA Meeting Minutes January 14, 2023

The meeting began at 2:05 p.m. In attendance were:

Voting Members

Bob Creager, President
Keith Casper, Vice President
Dave Keeler, Tournament Chair
David O'Brien
Joe Smith
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary

Non-Voting Members

Mark Clowser
John Valasek
Bob Wihelm

The Woods Club

Ron Springer

Thursday Men's Golf

Mike Harbin

The issues discussed were:

Membership/Dues

The announcement of the WMGA 2023 season was not included in the January PVP billing request, we need to find another way to solicit members and share the membership form. Though we can easily contact members from last year's membership, we will need assistance from PVP to contact all Class A members. We will work with Sally Johnston, who is currently out of town, on this. There was some discussion about the effects of the eventual transition to Landscapes Golf Management (LGM) once the amenities purchase is completed. The consensus was that we should continue with business as usual until we hear otherwise.

Website

PVP has been managing our website for several years on the basis that they were the most stable resource to assure continued website management. With the imminent (hopefully) purchase of the amenities by the Woods Home Owners Association, we need to explore alternate sources for our website management. It was suggested that LGM has an Information Technology team that includes website development and management as a specialty. Until the transition, we will continue with PVP.

Budget

The 2022 comparison of budgeted and actual WMGA finances was completed and posted to the website last month. There is a current balance of \$2,256.40 in the WMGA bank account. The projected budget for 2023 will be developed based on the following assumptions:

- Dues remain at \$45.00
- Membership will continue at the 2022 level of 105 members
- There will be a 5% increase in food/beverage costs from PVP
- Prize payouts for tournaments will continue at 80% of entry fees.

Trophies

Last year we purchased and awarded trophies for each tournament in addition to the longstanding championship trophies. The cost for the smaller trophies was \$267. The thought was that awarding trophies would increase tournament participation. Since tournament participation in 2022 was almost identical to 2021, the trophies appear to have had no effect. A vote by voting members was to discontinue the trophies for non-championship tournaments. We will continue to award the following trophies:

- Club Champion
- Stony Lick Champion
- Senior/Super-Senior Champion
- Match Play Champion

Frostbite

Our opening tournament, the frostbite is scheduled for April 15. We will provide breakfast sandwiches, Juice and coffee as we did last year.

Member - Guest Tournament

PVP has historically provided free green and cart fees for the member – guest tournament. This is in essence an approximate \$6,000 contribution to the tournament as part of their marketing budget for home sales with the assumption that the guests may be future buyers at The Woods. Since LGM would derive no benefit from future home sales, it is unlikely they would be motivated to support the member – guest as PVP has done. This would add significant costs that would force us to raise the \$380 team registration fee by as much as \$240 ($\$6,000 \div 25$ teams). Since it is not clear when the transition from PVP to LGM will occur, we will defer further discussion on this until our April meeting when we typically begin planning for the member-guest.

Thursday Men's Golf

Mike announced that TMG dues will remain at \$40 for 2023. A few members have already signed up and he asked that we include TMG in the above cited membership solicitation through PVP. The one change this year is that TMG handicaps will be based solely on scores in TMG games – not the regular GHIN handicap system that includes scores from different venues.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Prepared by:

Vince Serio, Recording Secretary