

GSWPGA GENERAL MEETING  
WEST SEATTLE GOLF COURSE  
FEBRUARY 20, 2014, 9:30 AM

President Sheryl Basinger called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The secretary called the roll with response as follows:

Bellevue 1; Cascade 2; Foster 2; Jackson Jills 6; Jefferson Park 1; Lake Wilderness 1; Maplewood 3; Mt Si 3; River Bend 5; Snoqualmie Falls 1; Twin Rivers 1; Wayne 1; West Seattle 3; Willows Run 4.

### **Minutes**

The minutes from the November meeting, which had been previously communicated via email, were approved as written and will be posted on the GSWPGA website.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Lynn Chapman distributed copies of the 2014 budget. It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Lynn discussed the breakdown of the tournament monies and answered questions concerning the same.

### **Tournaments**

Cathy Woodburne, 2014 Tournament Chair, reported that all 14 clubs were represented at the meeting and that tournament information had been distributed to the City Reps. The Lake Wilderness Tournament (Ecci 9) has been moved from October to September due to the fact that LW would be aerating the day before the tournament. The October tournament is now at Willows Run and NOT at Lake Wilderness.

### **Rules**

Janet Dombrowski discussed several new rule changes:

1) During a stipulated round, a player may access local weather information (e.g., wind, temperature, humidity) through an application or internet browser on a multi-functional device [Decision 14-3/18],

2) Ball moves after address; movement may have been due to the effects of gravity---The effects of gravity do not satisfy the Exception to Rule 18-2b. The Exception only applies when it is known or virtually certain that the player did not cause his ball to move. In order to meet this standard, it must be known or virtually certain that some other observable factor (e.g., wind, water or an outside agency) caused the ball to move. Otherwise the player is deemed to have caused the movement and Rule 18-2b applies [Decision 18-2/2].

3) Addressing the ball was also discussed and to quote from "Definitions" in the 2014-2015 Rule Book: A player has "*addressed the ball*" when he has grounded his club immediately in front of or immediately behind the ball, whether or not he has taken his stance. So, if the ball moves when this action is taken, you must determine what caused the ball to move IAW Rule 18, Ball at Rest Moved.

- 4) The new groove rules for all new models of club manufactured on or after January 1, 2010 must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications described in the Rules Appendix II.5c. The rules further stipulate that “while this condition of competition may be adopted for any competition, it is recommended only for competitions involving expert players (e.g., professional golf or the highest level of amateur golf). The rule will NOT apply to GSWPGA competitions so don’t go out and buy new clubs to conform to this rule unless any competition you are in requires the new grooves. However, by 2024 we all must change to the new grooves.

### **Team**

Kren Maguire, Association Team Captain, reported that we now have nine teams with nine matches scheduled. If your group is the host for the team matches, the host will have a bye. There will be four matches on Friday and five matches on Monday. Take note that Bellevue raised Friday rates but Mt Si kept their rates the same. The final decision is still up in the air for using the purple tees (new this year) at West Seattle.

### **PNGA/WSGA**

Cathy Kay, the PNGA/WSGA Representative, reported that the WSGA winter series are currently in effect and are listed on the WSGA web site. They have also regenerated the club rep program to get information out more easily to the participating clubs. She reiterated that the PNGA meets every April and the WSGA in the fall and all PNGA and WSGA reps should attend. At each of these meetings a round of golf ensues after the meeting and the meeting golf course.

### **Historian/Website**

Mary Ryan, Historian and Webmaster, reported that start times for your Team Matches will be posted on the website for each club.

### **Trophy & Awards**

No report

### **Old Business**

Mt Si committed to providing a VP nomination for 2015.

### **New Business**

June Secreto discussed changing the City Championship from three days to two days for the following reasons: the participant numbers are declining; distance is a factor for participants; three days may be too much for the older women; may be easier for working women to participate because of time off. The President, Sheryl Basinger, said she polled the clubs and the majority of the clubs prefer two days rather than three days. She said that following the general meeting the Board will make the decision. June also stated that the theme for this year’s City Championship at Riverbend is “A Salute to the Champions of Washington State”.

Also at Riverbend on July 12, the Riverbend Ladies Club is sponsoring a shotgun tournament to benefit the Naval Special Warfare kids and each foursome requires one

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participant. These kids have educational and behavior needs and the money raised from this event will go towards those needs.

Sheryl Basinger, President, stated that the President's Charity Cup, May 8, 2014 at the Riverbend Golf Course will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. She handed out flyers to each club captain which explained the Foundation and gave the date of the Tournament.

Following the general meeting, the board will discuss and vote on the request to change the City Championship from three days to two days.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Hinneburg, Secretary  
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