

YCC LADIES' ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES
February 15, 2011

Members present:

Karen Finnegan, Chairperson	Tiffani Coleman, Treasurer
Jami McNea, Co-Chairperson	Robin Tunnicliff, Secretary
Linda Baugh, Linda Clawson, Jane Erickson, Mary Halstvedt, Sylvia McCalla, Carol Skarda, Karen Stensrud , Charlene Surwill	

The meeting was called to order at 6:10PM PM by Karen Finnegan.

Karen distributed an agenda for the meeting and thanked the members for attending. Karen Finnegan mentioned that the agenda items are suggestions/concerns/complaints that have been voiced by the ladies' membership. Prior to discussion of each section of the agenda, Sylvia McCalla was appointed timekeeper so that discussion could be limited to ten minutes for each section. Karen Finnegan suggested that the agenda items be tabled for future discussion if those present at this meeting cannot reach consensus.

Tuesday Play:

Speed of play was discussed as being a major concern and a deterrent to women wanting to play on Ladies' Day. Ideas generated to speed play on ladies' day included:

- picking up one's ball after 10 strokes (or one's maximum score)**
- limiting the pairings to three players
- staggering the starting holes so that groups are not back to back on the holes**
- giving short putts
- going to the next tee box rather than waiting for all members to putt out**

The highlighted ideas will be implemented for the 2011 golf season in an attempt to speed the pace of play and will specifically be addressed at the Ladies' Kickoff Breakfast on April 5, 2011.

Games:

- Discussion occurred regarding having an optional "deuce pot" competition each Tuesday. Those who are interested will sign up in the pro shop and will pay \$1 for the competition.
- Having team events such as teams consisting of A, B, C, and D players was discussed. One team event each month will be tried with flag prizes awarded.

Payouts:

- Since the number of participants in ladies' day has decreased, the players will be separated into three flights. When players sign up for ladies' day, participants will sign their name and current handicap. In an effort to equalize the number of players in each flight, the pairing committee will divide the players into 3 flights based on the number of players rather than the players' handicaps.
- When there are only a few women playing on a particular Tuesday, the number of places paid in each flight may be limited to one. Normally two places will be paid in each flight.
- Nine hole competition will be encouraged in an effort to have more players. There will be a separate sign-up sheet for those wishing to only play nine holes.

Membership in the ladies' association:

Discussion took place regarding the dwindling number of members in the women's association and the result of having fewer players each Tuesday. With reduced numbers of women belonging to the association, the amount of money used to fund the payouts is reduced which may create a deficit in the budget.

Some possible causes of reduced membership were discussed:

- speed of play
- players are busy with other things
- Tuesday Night Couple's League – some women don't want to play twice in one day
- intimidation factor –beginner golfers may not feel comfortable playing with more experienced golfers
- Some women golf on Wednesday mornings and don't want to golf two days in a row
- Information regarding the ladies' association can be found on the bulletin board in the ladies' locker room, on YCC's website, in the monthly Tee Times bulletin, and in email correspondence.

A list of committee members will be distributed at the Kick-off breakfast.

Ways to create more interest in the ladies' association was discussed.

- Last year's Wednesday Night Fun Night had many participants. However, the golfing event was rained out after four holes of play.
- We will try to have more Wednesday Night Fun Nights this year beginning in June. Tiffani Coleman will be the chairperson for these events.
- Ladies are encouraged to ask friends to participate in women's day events.
- Team events may encourage more players.
- Having a mini-clinic by golf pros prior to play might create interest.

Ladies' club championship:

Discussion occurred regarding the lack of players. Factors considered include:

- more publication regarding the club championship
 - some women don't like to compete two days in a row
 - posting scores in the ladies' locker room rather in the Alibi room or on the pro shop window
 - pro shop credit or a gift for the winner of each flight
- No action was taken as this matter was tabled for future discussion.

Senior Club Championship: Karen Finnegan shared the reasoning behind designating a senior club champion as it was explained to her by Earlene Davis. Last year, Carol Brosovich was declared the senior club champion as she had the top score of the senior players in the ladies' club championship. This matter was tabled until more information is gathered.

Budget:

Tiffani Coleman will have a draft budget ready for the Ladies' Kickoff Day on Tuesday, April 5, 2011. Tiffani reported that she tries to budget the revenue and expenditures each year to offset one another. Currently the ladies' association has a surplus of money in the Goodwill Fund. The surplus has occurred as a result of extra revenue from past Par Tees, the cookbook sales, etc.

The payouts from Tuesday golf are \$72/week with \$18 spent on each flight each week. In 2010 payouts exceeded revenue as fewer women joined the ladies' association than was budgeted for. The budget was set based on 85 women joining the association. However, only 61 women signed up to be members. Typically there are some rainout days which help the budget since payouts don't occur on

those days. Payouts will remain the same as in previous years - \$10 for first place and \$8 for second place in each flight. Payouts will be awarded for three flights and for the nine hole players.

The Last Gasp Fun Day is typically funded by monies left in the budget. In 2010 no money was given to the chairperson, and that money was used for flag prizes for the Last Gasp. The number of golfers is higher for the Last Gasp than for regular season play as many women look forward to the event.

A motion was made by Sylvia McCalla and seconded by Jane Erickson to base this year's budget on 75 members in the women's association. The motion passed. Dues will remain at \$30.

Jami McNea made a motion to sell the cookbooks for \$10 in an effort to generate more sales. Tiffani Coleman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Monthly meetings:

During the golf season, meetings will continue to be held the second Tuesday of each month after golf. The meeting dates will be posted in the ladies' locker room. Having a shotgun start rather than tee times will enable all players to finish their golf round at approximately the same time so they can attend the monthly meeting. Evening meetings may be held during the off-season.

Grandmother's tournament:

A discussion took place about allocating money for the grandmother's tournament when not all of the members are grandmothers and thus eligible to play in the tournament. Sylvia McCalla offered historical information about the tournament. The tournament used to be self-sustaining, and the players brought prizes to be distributed to the winners. Sylvia made a motion to give \$40 to the grandmother's tournament to be used for four flag prizes of \$10 each. Charlene Surwill seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Tunnicliff
Secretary