

Cottonwood/Palo Verde Golf Committee Minutes October 4, 2012

Members attending were: Ed Frees, Chairman, Richard Hair, Nancy Howell, Jack Hill, Judy Onken, David Florence and Gwen Curtis. Pat Andersen and Dick Johnson were absent

Board Liaison - Don Hicks
General Manager – Steve Nolan

Guests – Jim Gillespie, Lee Brechtel, Joe Ficek, Hal Davis, & Elroy Kelzenberg

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M.
The minutes of the September meeting were approved..

BILL TODD – Director of Golf Course Maintenance

We finished seeding Palo Verde today. The water is going very well.

The greens at Cottonwood were brought down to 100, double cut and rolled. They are looking good and healing after a terrible transition. There should be a pretty good base on the greens by Tuesday or Wednesday. We have been feeding them aggressively.

The greens on 1 and 3 at Cottonwood have been marked off and will be a little smaller. They will be top dressed on the back of 6 and 2 at Cottonwood. We are going with a Seaside Bent 2 that is salt tolerant, and that was also used at Palo Verde.

Everything should be done by next week and the weather looks favorable. It is supposed to cool off a bit, which is good with all the nitrogen they are putting on.

DESMOND DAKIN – Head Pro at Cottonwood CMGA

The attendance for the men's events in September was normal for this time of year. The Ryder Cup was won by Mark's team.

Upcoming Events

Beat the Pro and Superintendant on October 6 for Cottonwood and Palo Verde members.

CLGA had 4 events this month and will have a scramble to finish the summer season.

CW9ers are finished until the next season.

Sunday Couples have the regular amount each Sunday.

Twilight Couples Nite golf had 52 players and everyone had a good time.

The pro shop has organized Ping Tours and Fittings three times a month for the next year.

There was a question about how points were determined when linking groups were put in Chelsea. The points of all the linked groups are averaged out.

The transition to the GHIN system is progressing on schedule, and there will be no posting until the 10th or 12th of October.

GREG TOKASH – Head Pro at Palo Verde PVLGA

A scramble with a luncheon was played on September 25 with about 80 players.

LADY 9'ERS will begin the second week in November.

Friday Couples

There are 20-25 groups playing in the AM only.

Nite golf had 68 golfers with a chicken fried chicken for dinner and a good time was had by all.

PVMGA.

A Member/Member Tournament was played on September 22, with 72 players and a patio party with drinks on the patio following play.

Upcoming Events

Beat the Pro and Super at Cottonwood on October 6.

Beat the Pro and Super at Palo Verde on October 27.

Other

The Golf calendar will be available on October 15.

Palo Verde Parking Lot.

Extra parking for golf carts will be marked off at the east end of the lot providing about 10 extra spaces.

1,897 rounds were played in September at Palo Verde, down 123 from last year. 1,852 rounds were played in September at Cottonwood, down 299 .from last year.

At the last Board meeting the Board approved the golf rates for next year. The rates for annual and 25 play cards will remain the same. The driving range balls will go up to \$2.00..

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

New Business

The chairman suggested that arrows showing right lane access between the pro shop and the driving range be painted now that the fall season is upon us. This path used to be left lane access switching to right lane access after passing the access path from the

16th green. The left lane arrows were removed this summer with the idea that carts will use the standard right lane convention. Bill Todd thought no arrows would be better.

The electrical ditch near the 18th green at Cottonwood will be fixed next week during overseeding.

Contractor estimate for driving range leveling.

The estimate for leveling the driving range is \$22,000-\$25,000. The sod is \$11,000 at 46 cents a square foot next year. It has to be a sand based sod. Existing sod will have to be stripped and dumped. The area will then be sand-filled where needed and laser-leveled. CW will provide the sand. These services will cost \$7,700 (excluding the cost of sand). We may need a dust permit. We will do a new irrigation system in house, plumb, pipe and wire it. The parts will be about \$4,000. It was requested that this item be included in the 5 year plan.

Interview candidates and vote for three at-large committee members

The candidates that were present and interviewed were: Jim Gillespie, Lee Bechtel, Joe Ficek and Hal Davis.

The Committee voted by secret ballot and Board Liaison, Don Hicks tabulated the results. Those nominated to serve on the Committee beginning November 1, 2012 were Jim Gillespie, Joe Ficek and Lee Bechtel. Hal Davis will serve as the CMGA representative and Gwen Curtis will remain the PVLGA representative.

Additional comments

It was requested that annual members at Cottonwood have priority over non annual members from Palo Verde when Palo Verde is closed for tee times. Desmond said it could be worked out fairly and would be handled next year by the Pro Shop.

Elroy Kelzenberg, a guest, was interested in a reduced rate membership for afternoon only play. He was advised that we have afternoon reduced rates at both courses, but we do not have a 9 hole rate.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

The next meeting will be November 1, 2012 at 1:00 P.M. in the Ceramics Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Curtis
Secretary

THERE ARE NO RECOMMENDATION FOR MANAGEMENT

THERE IS ONE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE BOARD

The Golf Committee recommends that the Board approve the nominations of Jim Gillespie, Joe Ficek and Lee Bechtel to serve on the committee beginning November 1, 2012.