

**Sun Lakes Homeowners Association
Cottonwood, Palo Verde Golf Committee Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2017**

Members present: Rita Benfer, Cindy Bosch, Kathy Skrei, Daniel Ellis, Ginger Mays, Nancy Hermanson, Bert Paul, and Jack Hill

Members absent: Glenn Martinsen

Board Liaison present: Bill Greer

Staff present: Bill Todd, Mark Leibfried, Greg Tokash, Desmond Dakin

Visitors present: Nine, see below.

Call to order and minutes: The meeting was called to order at 2:04 P.M. by Chairwoman Cindy Bosch. The motion to approve minutes from the April meeting was made by Rita Benfer, seconded by Bert Paul. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Staff reports:

Bill Todd, Director of Golf Maintenance: Inherent soil conditions have always been a problem, with various experts' advice solicited over the years as to how to yield better grass. The amount of seed will be cut by two thirds as a result, with Mr. Todd confident that this change will result in better grass. Also, aerification dates were revised to PV on June 16 and CW for the 26.

Desmond Dakin, Cottonwood Director of Golf: Details of his report are in Attachment I and Attachment II. Daniel Ellis asked that he consider postponing Wednesday's scheduled maintenance routines since longer days would provide light for the work as well as keep the range open for Owners and Guests. Mr. Dakin declined, indicating that there were sufficient range hours during the week.

Greg Tokash, Palo Verde Head Professional: See details of his report regarding Palo Verde in Attachment I.

Mark Leibfried, Cottonwood Head Professional presented the Rounds Report. See Attachment III. The volume of play is strong.

Daniel Ellis congratulated the staff members for three accomplishments: (a) Delivering YTD earnings that are \$30,000 over budget. He cited stronger golf equipment sales and less maintenance costs for trees. (b) The charity drawing. (c) Support for donations to junior golfers by Owners.

Kathy Skrei requested a later time to start morning shotguns. Implementing such a change is impacted by maintenance routines and the need to finish play promptly for the afternoon shotguns. Ms. Bosch asked Ms. Skrei to head a sub-committee to review the issue; she agreed to do so.

Unfinished business:

2017-18 Calendars: Dates were submitted by all clubs.

Practice facilities: Daniel Ellis reported that issues are more than the safety of patrons and provided examples of inappropriate behavior. He will provide a fuller outline of issues and suggestions in the fall, since this was the final meeting of the season.

Safety of sand traps: Bert Paul indicated that some traps are too deep to be stepped into safely. Bill Todd disagreed and indicated that the possible risk would be assumed by the HOA.

Sand trap rakes: Bill Todd will confirm that there are enough rakes stationed at traps to make play efficient.

New business:

A comment card and letter was received from Mr. David Franklin with two concerns: the condition of the course and slow play. Issues relating to course condition were reviewed by Mr. Todd during his report above. Mr. Dakin reported that marshalling of the course would be started to coach slow players on speeding up their pace.

The specific tee boxes slated for leveling were reviewed by Bill Todd.

Ms. Bosch reviewed upcoming expirations of terms for committee members.

Mr. Hill asked Bill Todd to consider tiering the fifth green at PV and add additional rock for the landscaping at number 12. Such rocking can be approved by the Facilities and Grounds Committee, instead of the full Board, according to Mr. Greer.

Rita Benfer asked the Chairwoman to hold meetings other than on gender days. Ms. Bosch will look into this.

Daniel Ellis indicated that he might have a scheduling conflict with the September or October meeting.

Bill Greer reviewed the HOA's funding of non-golf operations such as tennis courts and a new ice machine for the restaurant.

Guest input:

Ms. Mary Nelson informed the Committee of the desire to form a new club for Sunday couples play. Eight of her fellow enthusiasts joined her. Ms. Nelson was asked to draft necessary documents for the HOA board to review, such as a charter and bylaws.

Ms. Penny Nowicky praised the course conditions, but suggested that the lady's ninth tee at CW be leveled. Bill Todd will look into this for consideration in this summer's leveling of other tee boxes.

Mr. Bob Schaedel cited four concerns:

- (a) The pace of play would be helped by having a drop zone on the fifth hole at CW. Bill Todd asked that the pro shop designate the location of such a zone and he will mark it as such.
- (b) He objects to upcoming memberships being only for the combination of both courses. He mentioned that 71% of the HOA's operations stem from Cottonwood, thus not necessitating a mandatory combination annual pass, instead of separate ones for PV and CW.
- (c) Some members are gaming the reservations system. Mark Liebfried indicated that they monitor this and try to police it.
- (d) A workshop in the form of a town hall meeting should be held to provide management with input and feedback by Owners.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:41, P.M.

Submitted by Daniel Ellis, Secretary

Attachments:

- I. Cottonwood Pro Shop Report
- II. Golf Rates Schedule
- III. Palo Verde Pro Shop Report
- IV. Rounds Report

**Attachment I, Golf Committee Minutes, May 4, 2017
Cottonwood Pro Shop Report**

CMGA:

CMGA AND PALO VERDE RYDER CUP WAS A VERY CLOSE COMPETITION, CW SLIGHTLY SHADING PV. HOME AND HOME WITH OAKWOOD WAS GOOD. THANKYOU TO CMGA MEMBERSHIP AND CHAIRMAN FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION OF OUR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP IN RELATION TO THERE EXCEPTIONS FOR NEXT SEASON. ALSO GREAT JOB ON THIS YEARS MEMBER GUEST.

CLGA:

CLGA MEMBER GUEST WENT EXTRAORDINARILY WELL -AS IT ALWAYS DOES EACH YEAR. THANKYOU TO MARYLANA BREIT THE INCOMING CHAIRMAN AND HER BOARD MEMBERS FOR THERE EFFORTS FOR THIS SEASON AND FOR COMING SEASON AND THANKYOU MARKY WILSON THE OUT GOING CHAIRMAN FOR HER TERRIFIC COOPERATION.

9ERS:

LADY NINERS HAD A GREAT SEASON. THE MEMBER GUEST WAS VERY IMPRESSIVE AND GENOROUS. AGAIN THANKYOU TO THE OUT GOING PRESIDENT MARY LOU BUCHANAN AND WELCOME TO THE PROPOSED NEW CHAIRMAN KATHY. WE ARE ALREADY WORKING ON AN ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FOR THE LADY NINERS AND EXTENSION OF THERE SEASON FOR NEXT YEAR.

SUNDAY COUPLES:

THE SUNDAY COUPLES HAVE BEEN GOING WELL FOR THE SEASON. HOWEVER A NUMBER OF COUPLES HAVE MENTIONED THAT THEY WISH TO BE MORE ORGANISED WITH THE FORMAT TO BE USED FOR THE SUNDAY. I MUCH APPRECIATE THE COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOLFERS INTERESTED IN HAVING A MORE STRUCTURED COMPETITION ON SUNDAYS.

TWILIGHT COUPLES

THE THURSDAY NIGHT TWILIGHT WAS GOOD, BUT NOW WE HAVE STARTED THE SUMMER TWILIGHT LEAGUE, A LITTLE EARLIER THAN USUAL, FIRST NIGHT WE HAD 36 PLAYERS.

CLINICS AND DEMO DAYS

THE DEMO DAYS WERE EXCELLENT THIS YEAR. COTTONWOOD AND PALO VERDE HAVING BEING AWARDED BY PING TOP 100 IN THE NATION FITTERS. CLINICS WERE GOOD BUT WE HAD 3 HALF DAY SCHOOLS AT THE END OF THE SEASON THAT WERE FILLED AND MUCHLY APPRECIATED BY ALL ATTENDEES. NEXT SEASON WE WILL BE INCORPORATING A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT SCHOOLS INTO TEACHING SCHEDULE IN THE CALENDAR.

CHARITY DRAW

**WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY AGAIN
TO THANK EVERYBODY THAT DONATED TO OUR
DRAWE AND THAT SOON WE WILL BE LETTING
EVERYBODY KNOW EXACTLY WHERE THE
DONATIONS WILL BE MADE.**

Attachment II, Golf Committee Minutes, May 4, 2017
Golf Rate Schedule
2016-2017 CWPV GOLF RATES

ANNUALS

CWPV HOMEOWNERS

CWPV COMBO: \$1,725
CW ONLY: \$1,525
PV ONLY: \$1,225

PHASE 1/3 HOMEOWNERS

CWPV COMBO: \$1,925
PV ONLY: \$1,425

**NEW HOMEOWNERS MAY PURCHASE PRORATED ANNUAL
MEMBERSHIPS AT ANYTIME DURING 2016-17SEASON**

SUMMER PLAY CARDS MAY 1ST THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST

CWPV HOMEOWNERS

25-PLAY CARD CWPV: \$ 475
25-PLAY CARD PV ONLY: \$ 400
*15-PLAY CARD CWPV: \$ 360
*15-PLAY CARD PV ONLY: \$ 300
*10-PLAY CARD CWPV: \$ 300
*10-PLAY CARD PV ONLY: \$ 215
*5-PLAY CARD CWPV: \$ 160
*5-PLAY CARD PV ONLY: \$ 115
*COTTONWOOD ATER 2PM 10 PLAY CARD \$ 100

* Denotes No Preferred T-Times

PHASE 1/3 HOMEOWNERS

25-PLAY CARD: \$ 525

COTTONWOOD SUMMER RATES WILL START MAY 1ST NOT JUNE 1ST

DAILY GREEN FEES, ETC. (Homeowner / Guest)

CW 18 HOLES SUMMER (5/1/17 – 10/31/17):	\$35(6AM-11AM) \$25(11AM-1PM) \$15(1PM-AFTER)
PV 18 HOLES SUMMER (5/1/17 – 10/31/17):	\$25
PV 18 HOLES SUMMER (5/1/17– 10/31/17):	\$10(12:00P.M-AFTER)
18 HOLE CART FEE: REDUCED GREEN FEE TIMES	\$5 per person
18 HOLE CLUB RENTAL:	\$20 per person

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GOLF COMMITTEE REPORT
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH 2017

PVLGA:

4/11 & 4/18 PICO- OW & PV HOSTING

4/25 MEMBER GUEST
120 PLAYED

UPCOMING EVENTS-

5/2 & 5/9 MATCH PLAY

5/23 LADIES LUNCHEON & SCRAMBLE

LADY 9ER'S:

4/12 FINAL PLAY DATE & PATIO PARTY- 20 LADIES

TWILIGHT COUPLES:

BEGINNING NEXT THURSDAY- 4PM

FRIDAY COUPLES:

AM- 25-30 GROUPS

PM- NONE

5/5 PATIO PARTY WITH NACHOS & MARGARITA'S- 112 PLAYERS
FUNDED BY 50/50

PVMGA:

4/13 & 4/15 HOME & HOME W/ SUNBIRD
80 PLAYERS

4/22 & 4/23 RYDER CUP
CMGA WON

UPCOMING EVENTS-

5/9 ASSISTANT PRO SKINS GAME @ CW

AERIFICATION DATES HAVE CHANGED

PV	FROM	5/15-5/19	TO	6/19-6-23
CW	FROM	5/22-5/26	TO	6/26-6/30

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Golf Rounds CW / PV

	2016	2017	+/-	2016	2017	+/-
	PV	PV		CW	CW	
Jan	4,397	4,707	310	5,684	5,873	189
Feb	4,817	4,806	(9)	6,236	5,673	(563)
Mar	5,223	5,585	362	6,023	6,607	584
Apr	3,911	4,206	295	4,708	4,819	111
May	2,297			3,992		
Jun	1,954			1,706		
Jul	1,692			1,724		
Aug	1,399			1,544		
Sept	2,059			2,318		
Oct	1,711			1,567		
Nov	4,172			4,918		
Dec	3,839			4,386		
Totals	37,471	19,304	958	44,806	22,972	321

Golf Annuals

AS OF APRIL 30TH 2017

Type	Budget 14-15	Actual 14-15	Budget 15-16	Actual 15-16	Budget 16-17	Actual 16-17
Combination	429	440	435	476	488	482
Cottonwood	175	162	162	168	160	125
Palo Verde	232	218	220	214	220	249
I&III- Combo	44	41	43	41	87	91
I&III- CW	44	46	46	44	0	0
I&III- PV	9	8	8	11	10	9

Total Annuals

933

915

25- Play Cards -CW	96	69	88	76	76	65
25-Play Cards-PV	50	33	30	42	40	34
25- Play Cards -1&3			12	14	14	10