

LLCC Greens Committee Meeting MINUTES
Tuesday, November 7, 2023 (1:30 PM – Pro Shop Café)

ATTENDEES: Vern Duggan, Robbi Alberts, Lance Levine, Tim Magee Gayle Wilcox
[Excused: Gail Gagner, Joel Gray, Ed Irvin, Nancy Milliman, Sheila Nokes, Steve Saylor, Gary Yando]
GUESTS: Dean Dyson, Lisa Wilson, Lesley Robertshaw-Mosley, Sandy O'Hara Nelson
STAFF: Javier Martinez, Mark Hendricks, Roger Milliman

Vern called the meeting to order at 1:33 PM.

Minutes: Gayle Wilcox moved to: **APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 17, 2023 GREENS COMMITTEE MEETING**. Tim Magee seconded, and the motion **PASSED**.

Greens Report: Javier reported November has arrived, and his crews are ready for anything mother nature sends our way.

Things accomplished in October: Crews have finished fertilizing the course, wall-to-wall ... removed plenty of debris after strong winds and rain this month ... and trimmed trees and bushes as needed to prevent damage to the course. Javier said we've lost a good employee (Cayetano) this month, but have replaced him with Omar who he feels will be a good fit.

Things to accomplish in November: Finish trimming trees ... keep the course clear of debris, so it is still playable ... keep an eye on greens to maintain them disease-free ... and work with Keith to continue cleanup of the pond as weather allows and when #7 green isn't too wet for heavy equipment.

Javier said he spoke with Country Green Turf Farm who said it is ok to lay sod all year, if the ground is frost-free. So crews will continue to update tee-boxes. However, in each case, we should consider whether the grass will survive planting in winter.

Topics to discuss: Javier said crews will be doing their best to have the course prepared for winter, tackling anything that crazy weather may bring.

Javier asked about trimming the maple and fruit trees? It was suggested a little periodic trimming is a good idea, as time permits.

Pro Shop Report: Mark reported Lisa Wilson just redeemed \$5 of her winning Café certificate for time on the chipping range, a great use of this guest-guesser prize. Staff is also working on finalizing the calendar.

A second volunteer (Karen Summers) is getting her feet wet working behind the counter at the Pro Shop. Barb Carmichael is assembling an entire volunteer notebook so volunteers can begin working in and outside of the Pro Shop. *Thank you, Barb!*

A schedule is being prepared for redoing the floors in the Café and Pro Shop, in January. Mark said they are coordinating with Shelton Flooring, our maintenance staff, the gas company (to move the gas appliances) and Pro Shop staff so there's a smooth transition, keeping the Café open on normal days. They are also looking at assembling a painting party.

Play has slowed with the wet weather, so it's a great time to plan for next year. The **12 Days of Holiday Deals** have been compiled (all deals are good through December 22):

- Sat, 12/9/23: **Punch Card** special: For each Punch Card sold, get 1 free sleeve of Srixon balls.
- Sun, 12/10/23: New Golf member? Purchase a **new golf membership** for 2024 today, and receive 13 months instead of 12 months.
- Mon, 12/11/23: 20% off Club **Re-Grips**.
- Tues, 12/12/23: Free 2024 Lake Limerick **Calendar** when you spend \$30 on Pro Shop merchandise.
- Wed, 12/13/23: 30% off select **stocking stuffers** for the golfers in your family.
- Thur, 12/14/23: Buy one **meal** in the CAFÉ & get one meal for half price (excludes alcohol)
- Fri, 12/15/23: Buy a **\$100 gift certificate** and receive 9 Holes of Complimentary Golf.
- Sat, 12/16/23: 30% Off all **Headwear**. Great Hats Galore!
- Sun, 12/17/23: Buy one round of **golf**, get one free.
- Mon, 12/18/23: Free **Cart Rental** with purchase of Greens Fees.
- Tues, 12/19/23: 25% off **everything** in the Pro Shop! Apparel and golf accessories!
- BONUS, 12/20-22, 23: **Any special** you missed above can be used until 12/22/23!

[Donated cookies are welcome, for handing out throughout this event.]

The annual golf tournament to Benefit our Grounds Crew is scheduled for Friday, December 1st – a 9-hole scramble, starting at 11:00 AM. No entry fee, just donations. We will be collecting cash donations, as well as donations of potluck items for LUNCH (chili, chowder, desserts, corn bread, rolls, crackers, vegies). Barb will be making Beef Stew. Let the Pro Shop know if you can contribute a food item.

Finally, Mark said the Pro Shop is looking to start a “**Volunteer-of-the-Month**” recognition program. The plan is to recognize individuals who do great things for our community, and not just golf-related. If anyone has suggested name(s), let Mark know. Barb will be providing technical support.

CAM Report: Roger reported revenue for the Pro Shop, for October, was 36% above the same month last year – thanks to the members playing golf, Pro Shop staff efforts, and the fundraising event. The Café was also up, 9%.

Roger said Greens/Facilities/Water recently took possession of a Dodge Ram 2500, and a Tractor with Backhoe.

Marketing: As Mark noted, the Calendar is being finalized and will go on sale by early December. Also, Roger reported an article and ad will run in the latest *Fjord Magazine* noting the 12 Days of Holiday Deals and featuring our golf course & Café.

Comments from the Chair: This is the time of year to look at what we’ve accomplished over the past year, and decide what we should be shooting for in the coming year. We have made major improvements all over the golf course. Vern added, this doesn’t happen automatically, it’s because of all of us working together – Roger, our committee, the crew, and the Board getting behind us. Thank you to everyone for that.

Golf Carts: The Board has approved the funding request for three more golf carts. Once the salesman has designated the three carts, we will take possession.

Pond Cleanup: As mentioned, Javier & his crew (plus volunteers) will work with Keith to continue cleaning up the pond along the 7th/16th fairway, as weather and time permits.

Replacing Signage: In Joel’s absence, no official action was taken at this meeting on the wording of new signage to replace current “No urinating” signs.

Port-a-Potty: Sandy Nelson & Lesley R-Mosley asked if the cleanliness of the port-a-potty on #9 can be improved, including keeping the hand sanitizer dispenser full?

Black Tee-Boxes: It’s been suggested we add some black tee-boxes in places that could extend the yardage of our course. Current maximum yardage on our white/blue tees is ~5,800. Placing black tees in certain spots could increase yardage to ~6,300 yards for those looking for longer play. We would need to bring in WSGA to do the measurements and rating.

Cart Path paving: Vern asked Javier if cart paths will be ready to pave next year? There is some work to do.

Adjourn: At 2:20 PM, Gayle Wilcox moved to: **ADJOURN**. Lance Levine seconded, and the motion PASSED.

NOTES BY ROBBIE (& GAYLE)

(NO motions requiring Board Action)