



## **OHCC Golf Club General Membership Meeting – January 18, 2023**

**Executive Board Members Present:** Greg Cies, Mike Guillory, Bill Boston, Jean Boston, Bob Fisher, Debbie Machnick.

**Chairpersons Present:** Tom Vaccaro, Jerry Moskovitz, Mark Deutman, Larry McBride, Mike Bell, Jim Kaminsky, Annette Guillory, Peter Fry, Judy Fry, Sharon Sorensen.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by club president, Greg Cies, at 4:25 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Greg led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes:** A motion was made by Skip Dunham and seconded by Alan Ballard, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mary LaForte (absent)- Mary submitted her treasurer's report to Bill Boston. The club had \$11,276.79 in the bank as of 12/31/2022 (adjusted for 2022 activity). The approved budget for 2023 is \$5910.00. The remaining balance of \$5,366.79 is available for pre-payments as needed. The W-9 report is complete and has been submitted to the Social Club. The OHCC Social Clubs Annual Financial Report is currently being prepared.

### **President's Report:**

- Greg thanked the following volunteers for assisting with the General Membership meeting- Sharon Sorensen, our new Hospitality Chair, Kevin Sorensen, Louie Ward, Annette Guillory, Nora Ward, Sue Smith.
- He presented the board-approved individuals for positions as Directors. They are Debbie Machnick, Bob Fisher, Tom Vaccaro, and Mark Deutman. They were approved unanimously by a voice vote of the general membership.
- He asked for volunteers to chair Touring Amateurs. It would not involve working with Golf Genius, scoring, or contracts. The chair would pick up entry checks from the casa, make tee sheets, be present at the golf course during the tournament, and distribute winnings after the event. Rich Halkyard volunteered to run the first tournament in April as long as he could still play in the event.

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- We currently need a Tournament Instruction chair. Greg will send out the job description soon in hopes that someone will step up.
- Peter Fry spoke about Special Tournaments for 2023. Because we will not have a full 18 holes available for play at all times, these tournaments will not happen until 2024.
- For the good news, we will have our Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday tournaments throughout the year, as well as Guys and Dolls. The first Guys and Dolls is February 18<sup>th</sup>. We have working restrooms on the front and back nine. Golf bag tags are now available. A new member procedure will be sent out soon. There are no dues for 2023 for returning members!!
- Greg recognized our volunteer starters for our Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday tournaments - Bob Fisher, Bob Bechill, Ron Carso, Tony Gillette, Steve Malone, Ted Mitchell, Jerry Moskovitz, Allan Paloutzian, Jim Mulvey, Bernie Alfonso.
- Also, a big thank you to Don Russell, Diane Bednarski, and Mike Thorton, volunteers who spent hours trying to develop a new handicap system for OHGC.

**Old Business:** Jerry Moskovitz, our new Handicap Chair, gave an overview of the new process for handicapping. For handicap purposes, the max score will be net double bogey. Current handicaps are on the website and will be updated weekly.

**New Business:** GHIN Handicaps, Mike Guillory – The golf club is a member of SCGA and we are offering the opportunity for all our members to get GHIN numbers for \$36. This is the amount that it costs for the GHIN number with no additional club membership fees attached. Word will go out soon on how this process will work. The GHIN system utilizes scores from courses outside OHCC to compute a handicap. OHCC scores do not get included as we are not a rated course.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** Tom Vaccaro – At Do Dues Day, there were 3 renewals and 28 new members. We currently have 584 members. 36 members will be dropped as of February 15<sup>th</sup> if they do not pay for their 2022 dues prior to that time.

**Women's Golf:** Debbie Machnick – Ace of the Month will be held January 28<sup>th</sup> due to rain delays. “Galentine’s Day” will be February 15<sup>th</sup>. The format is a scramble, Gorilla Golf (play from the blue tees). Members are encouraged to wear pink or red. Players are asked to go up to the 8<sup>th</sup> tee box from the right side to avoid being hit by someone driving from the 8<sup>th</sup> tee box.

**Men's Golf:** Bob Fisher – There will be some new game formats this year. The Father’s Day Shamble and lunch will be June 19<sup>th</sup>. The tournament will have a shotgun start. Bob reminded people that we always need volunteers. Reach out to a Board member if interested.

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**Guys and Dolls:** Mike Guillory and Annette Guillory – February 18<sup>th</sup> is the first Guys and Dolls in 2023. Signups will open next week.

**Golf Course Committee:** Bill Boston – There is no drinking fountain yet on the 15<sup>th</sup> hole. There are currently no supervisors for landscape and maintenance for the HOA. The grass around the pond fence will be allowed to grow longer to prevent balls from rolling under the fence. Do not climb over the fence to retrieve your ball. Keep carts off the tee boxes, greens and aprons. The pond is still in legal limbo so a timeframe for completion is unknown. Remember, paved sidewalks from the parking lot to the golf course are for walkers only. No motorized carts should be on them. Bill recognized Jon Cancel and the maintenance crew for the work they do.

**Niners:** Mike Bell – Play is on Tuesdays after the morning men’s tournament. Mike reported that there has been a high turnout for the Niners tournaments this year (20-30 players). Tee off time for the first foursome is 1 p.m. The last group tees off around 2 and play is usually complete around 3:30.

**Match Play:** Bob Fisher – There will be no match play for 2023 as we need to have all 18 holes permanently available for the three tournaments played.

**OHGC Website:** Jim Kaminsky – Jim showed the attendees the website and the information available on it.

**Hole-in-Ones:** Larry McBride – Larry presented Mark Feinman, Ron Carso, Tim Johnston and Karen Burke with certificates for their recent hole-in-ones. Karen also won \$52 as she was in the women’s hole-in-one pool!!

### **Questions:**

Tex Burke stated that the tee boxes are looking rough. Bob Fisher explained that this is because the tee boxes are planted with Bermuda grass and it does not grow well in the cold weather and turns brown.

Linda Tindell expressed concerned that carts on the course are getting bigger and faster and presenting a safety concern. Bill Boston will present this to the Golf Course Committee.

**General Comments:** Bob Fisher wanted players to know that tournaments cannot begin before 7:50 a.m. General play should not start until 8 a.m. Maintenance workers cannot begin until 7 a.m. They need time to ready the course before players begin.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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### **Action Items from our meeting:**

1. Greg Cies – Send out the job description for the Tournament Instruction chair.
2. Mike Guillory – Send out information to our members on how to get a GHIN number through OHGC.
3. Bill Boston – Ask the golf course committee about the larger, faster carts on the course.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Boston, OHGC Secretary