



General Membership Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2024

- Judy Brooke, President, welcomed everyone to the 2024 Season and introduced the Club's 2024 Board Members:
 - Vickie Oland, Vice President;
 - Debbie Steele, Treasurer;
 - Lorna Johnston, Secretary;
 - Kathy Belvel, Technology Chair and HSTP Co-captain;
 - Vickie Rutledge, Tournament Chair;
 - Shana Lakso, Handicap Chair;
 - Monica Siewertsen, Membership Chair;
 - D-D Woodruff, Raffle Chair;
 - Debbie Knapp, Birdie Board Chair; and last, but not least,
 - Jan Singyke (who was still hanging out in the desert), Rules & Bylaws Chair.
- We started the 2024 season with 16 new members, one more than last year! At the Meet & Greet last week mentors each introduced their mentee; however, Judy asked them to stand, give you a little princess wave. The new members are as follows:

Jill Bellamy

Samantha Oland

Ledene Johnson

Elaine Agnason

Rhonda Kudrna

Barbara Smallwood

Anne-Marie Neacy

Phyllis Adair

Elise Smith

Marcia Chatin

Anna Pagoto

Carla Rueff

Karen Fox

Kathy Emanuel

Kristi McAteer

Sara Dombrowski

- We also welcomed back three returning members: Sue Europkin, Gwynn Guiette, and Kelly King.
- Acknowledgement and special recognition were given to the following Board Members for their outstanding commitment and dedication to the new online membership application:

1. **Kathy Belvel**, Technology Chair, who spent many hours feverishly and faithfully developing and creating our online application and all the reporting associated with it.
She's also the rock star responsible for getting you entered in our database and assigning you access to the Members Only section of the website.
2. **Debbie Steele**, Treasurer, was tasked with tracking all your money coming in, creating spreadsheets to make sure everything balanced and ensuring you were all paid up and active.
3. **Vickie Rutledge**, Tournament Chair, who was finessing everything by obtaining your GHIN if needed, and adding and activating you in Golf Genius so you receive her weekly game sign-up notifications.
4. **Monica Sierwertsen**, Membership Chair, who was responsible for reviewing everything to make sure nothing was missing and then sending you your final welcome letter.

- D-D Woodruff, prize drawing ticket sales chair, explained how the monthly raffles work.
- Vickie Rutledge provided a quick run-down on some tournament procedures.
- Judy provided a quick overview of the “new last year” Drop Zone. If your ball sadly finds the water on hole #1 only you have two options, and both options have a one-stroke penalty:
 1. You can retrieve your ball from the water, drop it back from where it crossed into the water, but no closer to the hole, and hit your third shot from there. **OR**
 2. You can retrieve your ball from the water, proceed to the drop zone located on the left side of the tree right after the bridge (there will be an orange drop rock there), drop your ball from knee-height and hit your third shot from there.
- Judy provided an overview of the Three Strikes Policy. The policy was put into place last year. We instituted this policy to show respect and consideration towards our volunteers' time and effort spent putting together foursomes, printing scorecards, and entering and finalizing the results each week. No shows and late call-ins create not only a considerable amount of additional work but also contribute to play day chaos for our leadership team who are faithfully volunteering their time.

The three-strikes policy is as follows: You will be allowed a total of three no-shows, late call-ins, and/or cancellations that occur **later than Saturday noon**. That means any change you make before Saturday noon does not count against you. However, after a third strike, you may be asked to leave the Club. Why so harsh? The Board considers this continued behavior disrespectful and inconsiderate. We are asking you to make every effort to either sign-up and/or cancel prior to the **Saturday noon cut-off**. The weather will not be a valid cancellation reason as the course only closes for lightening and snow. Extenuating circumstances including sickness and/or family emergencies will be taken into consideration. Finally, if the AQI is over 200, play will be cancelled. We will do our

very best to provide you 24-hour notice if we need to cancel a play day. So, if you're questioning whether we are still on for play, start checking your email 24 hours in advance.

Volunteer Opportunities!

- Judy calls these opportunities **ONE AND DONE VOLUNTEERING**. Everyone's participation in the club is needed to make sure we all have fun and that everyone enjoys the season. There's that old adage, "Many hands make the load light." We have three monthly themed events left and the Teeing Off for the Cure Golf Tournament in October where we need everyone to participate.
- Judy passed around a clipboard for sign-ups for the monthly themed events. A suggestion was made—if you're a current member signing up for a themed event, find a **NEW** member to sign up with you. What a great way to get them involved by partnering with you.
- Judy passed around another clipboard for members to sign up as a contributor for the "extra exciting" prize drawings each month. Just like last year, three people are needed to sign up each month committing to bring in an extra exciting prize. The value should be between \$10-\$20.
- **Personal Golfing Goals for 2024**. Judy distributed two items: the first was a document that includes a number of golfing goal ideas, and the second was a half page sheet for members to fill out and return to Judy. By member request, goal sheets were taken home to complete and return at a later date.
- D-D Woodruff conducted the prize drawing. Judy had a few gifts from last year to have something to start off our new year. We had three prizes up for grabs as well as the pot of gold. The first number drawn won the pot of gold and the next three numbers each won a special gift.
- Judy thanked everyone for coming, wished everyone a great golfing season, and adjourned the meeting.