

15 July 2020 BoD Teleconference

Members in Attendance

John Stanton - President
John Foottit - Secretary/Vice President
Tom Reynolds - Membership (via Zoom)
Brian Bond - Treasurer
Don McLeay - Greens Director
Grant Reader - House Director
Gary Hobin - Club Captain
Judy Spencer - Ladies' Representative

Staff in Attendance

Dan Kolar - Manager
Bill Hudson - Greenskeeper
Kyle Hudson - Assistant Greenskeeper

Decision Record

1. The meeting convened at 6PM.
2. Although the province allowed us to open the lounge/bar area with limited capacity as of Friday 17 July, the Board has decided not to do so. Subjectively, at present, more than half of the people entering the club house to order food are not wearing masks. Masks are primarily for the protection of others and must be worn indoors. The Board will revisit the opening decision on the 28th of July by teleconference, but are looking for a much higher degree of compliance with provincial law. The food service contractor supports this position.
3. As an aside, the air conditioner that cools the main lounge/bar area should be repaired before the end of this month.

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4. The Bell Fibre Optic cable connection has still not been completed and Bell is ignoring the Manager's telephone calls.
5. Starting on 27 July, Tuesday tee-times between 5 & 5:30 will be available to members.
6. For 2021 a Corporate membership will be one membership for one Corporation, without an option to resell to others. GolfXtra and EGGolf will have a 5-day advance booking rather than 7. The Board will also reevaluate when the public green fee leagues will start for 2021.
7. The 3 tee-time slots reserved for morning green fee players during the week will now be available for the use of members.
8. A huge thanks to those who have volunteered to help maintain our golf course during this very trying year. If revenue trends continue, we will be in a position to purchase all of the flowers in 2021, but will continue to encourage volunteer greens keepers and gardeners. The course this year is very appealing, largely owing to your efforts.
9. Given that safety dividers have now been installed on all power carts. Season pass holders must now pay \$6 for the second nine if the member insists on riding alone when another member of the group is available to share the cart.
10. All food sales from the "bar cart" support our kitchen contractor. Beverage sales support our bar operation. Credit or ATM cards can be used.
11. The number of tables and chairs on the terrace and the adjacent grass area has been increased. Please continue to maintain social distancing; four persons per table maximum.

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12. The Back Shop Services staff will be briefed to advise the manager if anyone is holding a “tail gate” party in the parking lot and the Manager will take action to put a stop to this practice.
13. Options to replace the wood carving on the 8th fairway were considered. For now, the greens keeping staff will fill in the hole; this fall they will put in a grass mound and a small tree.
14. Power cart speed governors are being reduced because excessive speed over rough ground is the primary cause of wind-screens cracking.
15. Someone has been tampering with the governors on some carts to permit greater speeds. This involves lifting off a plastic cover on the rear of the cart to gain access to the engine compartment. If anyone notices this happening, please report it immediately to the Pro Shop (and take a video if you can). If anyone is caught tampering with the cart, they will lose their cart privileges. In the interim, the mechanic will gradually install new fasteners on the engine compartment covers.
16. The new 2020 Greens Committee Members are Deb Wallingford and Ken Maheral. The Club’s web site will be updated. Thanks to Trish Wilson and Al Seabrook for their participation last year.
17. The Club’s course maintenance practices have been updated and will be posted on the Club’s website. Our thanks to the Assistant Greenskeeper, Kyle Hudson.
18. The Club will begin offering its Fall Special on the 1st of August (join now for next year at this year’s rate and play the balance of this season at no additional cost).

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19. The Manager will procure permanent signs advising that our rain shelters offer no protection against lightning. In addition, better signage to guide players to the first tee box will be installed near the Pro Shop
20. The Greenskeeper will install more garbage cans. Benches will be returned to holes 5, 10, 13 and 16. It is not possible to sanitize these benches after every use, so players must avoid touching any part of a bench with their hands. If you inadvertently do so, using a hand sanitary gel or wipe that you have with you is recommended.
21. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. The Board will have a teleconference on Tuesday 28 July at 6:30 PM to revisit the re-opening of the clubhouse. Our next full meeting will be on Wednesday 19 August at 6 PM at Myers.
22. A summary of our sanitation product costs is attached.
23. The Greenskeepers report is also attached.
24. If any member has a question or concern, please contact me at John.foottit@gmail.com

John Foottit
Secretary/VP

Costs Associated with Covid-19

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To date the Club has spent \$10,349 on Covid-19 related material, which includes:

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- Disinfecting products
- Sanitizing products including hand sanitizer and dispensers
- Personal protective equipment (PPE) which includes gloves and masks
- Plexiglass protective barriers
- Power cart partitions
- Spray bottles, signs and the like.

For example:

- Using disinfectant cleaners for power and pull carts. They cost \$125 for a 20 litre container. Initially we were using one container every 2 or 3 days. Since we purchased a new spray gun applicator in early June, we have reduced the consumption to 2 containers per month.
- Using another disinfectant for maintenance equipment, terrace tables, chairs and other surfaces. It costs \$125 for a 20 litre container and we are currently using 3 containers per month. Usage will increase with more terrace tables and if we open up the main lounge/bar area.
- Also using sanitation wipes for washrooms, at \$89 for 2 rolls of 1000 wipes each. We're currently going through 4 rolls per month. Usage will increase if additional washrooms are opened.

In normal years, the Back Shop is at best a break-even operation. It is not a revenue stream/profit maker and in most years operates at a loss.

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This year, the same number of Back Shop staff are working from early morning until dark every day. Their duties have changed and are concentrated on disinfecting power carts and pull carts. This protects all members even if you don't use a cart. We must still pay the staff for performing these duties.

Board of Directors Meeting **Greens Report – Wednesday 15 July 2020**

Greens are being double cut at .125 daily and now rolled 5 times a week. Fred Hunter volunteers to roll them Monday and Wednesday and a staff member rolls them Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. We are topdressing every second week usually on Tuesdays and we are venting the greens once a week.

Tees, surrounds and approaches are being cut at .500 or ½ inch 3 times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Seeding of the par three tees, a few other problem tees and the driving range is done once a week.

Fairways are being cut 3 times a week at .650. We monitor for grubs and diseases once a week. We have sprayed fungicide once this year as a preventative measure right when the extreme hot and humid weather started. The fairways are fertilized every two weeks. One time they get a small dose of granular fertilizer and the next time they get water-soluble fertilizer.

We had 27 mm of rain on July 11, along with the irrigation water we have had to put down on fairways; this has caused a few areas to be quite wet so we had to stake some areas off.

With the hot and humid weather we had our staff change their working hours a bit. We started at 4:00 a.m. and we were done by 11:30 a.m. As you know, being outside any later than that the past two weeks is no fun.

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Some brush work has been done up along the water on 16 fairway. From the blue tee the players can actually see where their ball lands and it makes the overall hole look a lot nicer. We will continue to do more limbing up to clean up some holes, but first we need to burn our pile of brush at the dump once the burn ban is off.

We are in the process of re-establishing our elm tree carving. It is now under the flag pole at the club house.

I would like to thank Paul and Rhonda Virgin for the disinfectant they donated to the Maintenance shed earlier in the year. I would also like to thank all the volunteers that come in on a weekly basis. The various tasks include weeding gardens, cutting rough and rolling greens. These are all jobs that wouldn't get done otherwise, so thank you very much.

Bill Hudson
Superintendent.