## 6 June 2018 BoD Meeting

### Members in Attendance

John Foottit - Secretary/Vice President Tom Reynolds - Membership Brian Bond - Treasurer Dave Evans - House Gary Hobin - Club Captain Peter Beerli - Greens Director Judy Spencer - Ladies Representative

#### Staff in Attendance

Dan Kolar - Manager Bill Hudson - Greenskeeper

### **Decision Record**

- 1. The meeting was convened at 5:55 PM.
- 2. Peter Atkinson of Atkinson Irrigation advised that installation of our new system should be complete by early in the week of 10 June and that clean-up (including sod patching) and final tests will take about 7 additional days.
- 3. Our revenues are up and costs are down in comparison to the previous 2 years. We should be able to report final numbers by mid-summer, but our financial picture is healthy.
- 4. We have 61 new members this year, of which 16 are returning. With projected losses, our net gain should be in the range of 20 to 25 new members. 32 new members signed up for the nine and dine introductory event on 7 June (a new high).

- 5. The Board decided to organize two weekend-morning orientation sessions for new members, to be delivered before the course opens in the spring of 2019.
- 6. Our policy with regard to new member incentives (e.g. the fall special) is that they will not be available in any form for those that have been a member of any type in either of the 2 preceding years. In effect, the special rates are intended to attract completely new members. This is a business judgement.
- 7. Members and the staff seem to be very pleased with the kitchen point-of-sale system. If you do not wish to reload your card during the year, please return it to the Pro Shop so that it may be re-issued next year (this minimizes the cost to the club for purchasing new cards). If you do reload the card, the amount remaining at the end of a season will carry over to the following year.
- 8. The Board voted to spend \$2,700 to install 2 security cameras in the maintenance shed area. The new router, UPS (uninterruptable power supply) and several cameras have been installed, meaning our Internet system will now be robust and that security has been enhanced. Pan-zoom, infra-red (IR) capable cameras now cover the first tee, the parking lot, the back shop, and the club house. Motion and heat alarms are active on the pump house. We'll look at video surveillance signs when this project is complete.
- 9. Once the new irrigation system is fully operational, the assistant-Greenskeeper will conduct a formal study concerning the refurbishment of existing tee boxes and raising the visibility of the red tees. The results of this project will assist the Board to assign an appropriate priority for improving our tee boxes and modify the Greenskeeper's budget accordingly.

- 10. It was decided to allow the use multiple tee boxes for some men's competitive events. An explanatory note has been attached to this decision record, following the Greenskeeper's report.
- 11. The Manager will look at procuring new driving range mats for next year.
- 12. Interested members will be offered an opportunity to tour the new pump house prior to the start of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) this fall.
- 13. We have had one complaint of slow play on the part of a member group and a suggestion that we again try using marshals. The Board's impression to date does not support a conclusion of a systemic slow play problem. We have tried "player assistants" in the past, but the system did not work well because too many people create disciplinary problems by disregarding the marshals' directions. In effect, our understanding is that we created as many problems as we solved.
- 14. New course rating and slope assessments are expected by the end of June.
- 15. The meeting adjourned at 08:20 PM.
- 16. The date for the next Board meeting has not yet been set.

John Foottit Secretary/VP

If any member has a question or a concern, please contact me at: john.foottit@gmail.com

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## Greenskeeper's Report

Greens – the five greens that we skipped aerifying were done Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June in the morning. We skipped them the first time as there was limited water available. We only punched them, not taking a plug, so they should heal quickly.

We are bringing the height of cut down and are now down to .140. Last year at the same time we were at .130. By June 12<sup>th</sup> we will catch up and be at the same height as previous years.

Tees and approaches – will be aerified, seeded, fertilized and topdressed starting June 11<sup>th</sup>.

Fairways – will have the height of cut lowered also the week of June 11<sup>th</sup>, down to summer cut.

We have been continually seeding and sodding areas on the fairways and approaches that have been damaged with the irrigation installation. The week of heat took its toll on sod and some areas will have to be re-sodded.

Health & Safety – We now have a defibrillator in the maintenance shop and five staff have been trained in its operation. The supplier has indicated that if any members or additional staff would like to learn how to use it, he can arrange a training day.

# Use of Multiple Tee Blocks for Some Men's Competitive Events

More and more players have expressed a desire to play different tee blocks in competitions. Although this presents some challenges in terms of scoring, I believe there is a way to allow for this in some events, so that it is fair across the field and so that players of all handicaps and ages can feel they have a fair shot at competing.

There will be certain event types that will lend themselves to a multi-tee block approach, and other events that will not. Events that will go forward with multi-tees are Match Play, the Mens Opening, Jarvis-Hunton, the Men's Four-ball better ball (Ian Lamb Memorial), the Mens Closing, and the Longpré qualifier. Other events such as the qualifiers for the Intersectional team, St. Law-rence, Gordon, Fraser, Quattrocchi, Ashley-Brown, Senior Intersectionals and the club championships will not be multi-tee events and will have pre-defined tee blocks to be played by everyone.

Here is how multi-tee events will be run in the future:

Players who have reached an age of 70 years, and who have a handicap of 19 or higher are entitled to play the White-Gold tees during multi-tee competitions. They also have the option to play the White tees if they prefer. In any case they will simply apply the proper handicap for those tee blocks.

Players who have reached an age of 75 years, and who have a handicap of 19 or higher are entitled to play the Gold tees during multi-tee competitions. They also have the option to play the White-Gold or the White tees if they prefer. In any case they will simply apply the proper handicap for those tee blocks.

It should be noted that net scores must also be adjusted by the difference between the ratings of the tee blocks. For example, if a player opts for the gold tees, their net score is adjusted upward by 3 strokes (68.6 white rating minus 66.0 gold rating rounded up). In the case of the White/Gold tees, their net score will be adjusted upward by 2 strokes (68.6 white rating minus 66.5 white/gold rat-

ing rounded down). This is as per section 3-5 of the Golf Canada handicap manual.

When registering for a multi-tee event, it is the responsibility of the player to declare which tees they intend to play from. This will allow the scoring personnel to make the appropriate adjustment to the player's score.

In events where the handicap on a given hole is required, such as match play or a better ball event, the following will apply. Better Ball events will use the hole rating listed on the scorecard for those tees. If there is no rating (White-Gold) then use the tee ratings of the harder tees (White). In the case of match play where one player is playing different set of tees than the other, then the ratings of the harder tees should be used, however both players should agree before the match is played.

This will go into effect immediately and we will review it to see how it works out at year end. I am sure it won't be perfect, but we can improve as we go forward.

Gary Hobin Club Captain