

**CALGARY LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION  
MID-SEASON EXECUTIVE MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 31, 2017 – COUNTRY HILLS GOLF CLUB – 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**In attendance:**

Sylvie Dugas  
Joanna Saunders  
Monique Morrison  
Carlyn Dahl  
Laurie Anderson  
Monika Jansen  
Ali Giles  
Carol Patmore  
Pamela Prenovost  
Titia Born  
Shannon Lefroy  
Cindy Beaudet  
Jennifer Baerg  
Margie Nicol

**1. Call to Order and Welcome at 7:06 p.m.**

- Welcome to Pamela and Carol “live” rather than via Skype!
- Sylvie asked that all reports for this meeting be submitted to Monika for posting as soon as possible.

**2. Reports: Round table for issues/comments that require discussion**

- a. **Past President** (Joanne Saunders) – all good!
- b. **President** (Sylvie Dugas) – two big items:
  - i. Need to make a decision re: assessments that go out each year and how to tell people that they cannot participate because their Clubs have not paid; and,
  - ii. City Amateur – feedback good in spite of numbers (49), no need to discuss format, thank you to everyone; getting great feedback!

- c. **Vice-President** (Monique Morrison) – thank you to everyone who participated – all good!
- d. **Treasurer** (Carlyn Dahl) – will update and repost report – down 610 members from last year – down 13%
- e. **Amateur Chair** (Holly-Jean Kadonaga) - unable to attend.
- f. **Senior Amateur Chair** (Pamela Prenovost/Carole Patmore) – Tournament completely full and oversubscribed – no problem with sign-up, all good, suggestions for going forward and will those in their report, reminder that Cindy has offered to pay for all wine for tasting at the event. Total participants 96 (150 people entered; we needed to refund some people), discussion regarding repayment and whether refund should be handled differently whether as a result of withdrawal versus Tournament being oversubscribed - whether to refund with PayPal or with cheque in light of costs of each option; oversubscribing has only happened twice to date – more often undersubscribed. **AGREED that in future if a withdrawal is due to handicap, send refund cheque; if for any other reason then send refund through PayPal – note to be posted on the website that withdrawal may cost up to \$5.00.**

**Question:** is there anywhere in CLGA policy that says seniors have minimum and maximum to play? What is the right yardage? Nothing in the Bylaws. For Senior Provincials last year it was 56. It appears to depend upon the difficulty of the course. 57-75 normal forward tees. Does not appear to be a policy – per Sylvie Dugas we cannot set one. **Question:** Should we, as a Committee look at this and then set it? **AGREED that we cannot move up the tees; people need to check the yardage before they sign up if they care.**

- g. **Junior Development** (Shannon Lefroy) – numbers down – 21 girls – would like to have more discussion about what to do next year – perhaps have 3 different levels of Juniors. **Question:** How would that be monitored year after year? **Answer:** Table for further discussion. **AGREED that we should look year-after-year.** We need to get coaches on board. Judy is taking Juniors to wherever there is a sponsored Junior program even if it means leaving their home Clubs. We need to focus on non-sponsored Juniors, i.e. girls who are not elite, to get them to elite. The idea is to get young girls enrolled and interested. We have to build on efforts being made; we need the metrics from the last 5 years. Elite camps have a circuit and a program, then you have Junior Juniors (7,8,9). We are

missing the in-between girls. It is about learning rules, etiquette, sports psychology and course management. Jennifer Davison (sp?) has reached out and wants to “shine a light” on our camps. We want to use CLGA funds well. In the past we tried to get anyone to the Development Camps but there was no follow-up. Now we have a takeaway for the girls with follow-up information. This year we were very organized – 20 registered to participate and that was the goal.

- h. **Tournament Liaison** (Monika Jansen/Ali Giles) – all good.
- i. **Riley’s Match Play** (Cindy Beaudet/Jennifer Berg) – all good, had a good year – planning something for 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary – no problem filling – when you look at flights look at who winners are – Next year #1 team will win – weather was great, everyone liked the new trophy.
- j. **C.H.A.M.P.S. Chair** (Margie Nicol) – all on track, a couple of issues: River Spirit has not paid – Margie Nicol will send note or phone to advise of consequences.
- k. **Tournament of Champions** (Karen Saunders – at Provincials) – no update.
- l. **Medalist Series** (Gaylene Donald/Susan Plum) – both playing in Provincials, all going well, no issues.
- m. **5-Year Plan & Publicity** (Debbie Cook) – unable to attend – publicity to Calgary Herald and CBC and helping Coordinator for the City was great. Sylvie Dugas indicated that Debbie Cook is doing a great job – do not think we will have coverage for Seniors or Juniors – someone assisted to set up Twitter accounts, etc. for Amateur – was a great success – lots of exposure – let’s do this for the other tournaments. Monika Jansen said that Celine Copeland (sp?) has expressed interest in helping promote, that Debbie Cook will send the results out but we don’t expect much, that she wants to put our “handle” out there so any Tournament can go to the Website, log in and see information, it will take awhile to establish social media – Monika Jansen to talk to Celine again – going to look into Instagram and Snapchat.
- n. **Website Administrator/Guru** (Monika Jansen) – all good!
- o. **Junior Girls Tournament** (Titia Born) - all good.

### 3. New Business:

**a. Consideration for changing the format of some of the Tournaments as follows:**

- i. City Amateur – 2 days instead of 3 –** discussion of the issues and **AGREED: Monika Jansen, Carol Patmore, and Cindy Beudet to prepare a survey to go out to ALL CLGA membership.** Sylvie Dugas needs an update for the September 27, 2017 Fall Executive Meeting – it will be sent out after that – we will not make a change until we get feedback. For Inglewood **AGREED: no change for next year.**
- ii. Tournament of Champions – move to a weekend –** discussion of the issues including the likely position of the Clubs and their Pros and **AGREED: Tournament of Champions will continue to be during the week and no change to weekend play.** Karen Saunders will ask the question but if the answer is “no” it’s “no” and we ask what day of the week. Include the Club as part of the discussion, i.e. what is their slowest day – since all of the funds go to the Club so they can see the value of it.

**b. Discussion of having the Treasurer and the Secretary tenure for 2 years:**

- i. Treasurer –AGREED: difficult position – lots of work/time/effort – Carlyn Dahl has agreed to work with/mentor new Treasurer;**
- ii. Secretary – AGREED: new Secretary can catch on and catch up -** preferably Secretary should be on board in time to send out the assessment (this year, Monika Jansen handled this task)

Fall Executive meeting – new Secretary and new Treasurer will attend.

- c. C.H.A.M.P.S.: discussion of food complaints –** discussion of lunches, variation in guideline amount and where funds come from, people liked being provided with a menu of choices, sandwich/lunch difficult to negotiate while walking, general discussion of amount of food and quality, prefer to deal with this in positive way rather than negative, email to be sent to the representatives at the Clubs. **Discussion of Earl Grey** reluctance to schedule anything until after January 2018 which impacts Clubs. Course is currently closed. Margie Nicol will reschedule the two in June, 2018 and will leave the ones in July for now. **AGREED: C.H.A.M.P.S. reps should be made aware of the problem.** If the course does not open until July 1<sup>st</sup> they can reschedule to a later date. Monika

Jansen suggested that perhaps three Clubs could come at once. People thought that to be a good idea.

**d. Provide the website password to Club Presidents for access to Club contacts**

– Sylvie Dugas asked why would we not do this – Monika Jansen could do a password protected page so that people can update their information at any time. At the Fall general meeting people would be advised about how to do this. Need to get their information to their VPs perhaps via their current Presidents. Will send current Presidents a follow-up email.

- e. 2017 City Amateur** – general discussion - budget is + \$700 approx. – there was also a donation of Prosecco so it will be +\$800 once that has been paid. There was also general agreement that for those Clubs next year and years after it is important to select a Chair that is physically available for the event. Sylvie advised that the low net winner had returned her award and trophy because of rumours she heard about her high handicap submitted for the tournament. Sylvie responded to her emails and she was satisfied with how the CLGA handled her issue, the trophy and award was returned to her. There was also general agreement that the issue was appropriately dealt with and that no further steps need be taken. If any of the CLGA members would like to see the emails, please contact Sylvie.

**f. Executive consideration for The Canal at Delacour Golf Day request:**

**i. Waiving the 25 member minimum:** if they are willing to pay the \$50 membership fee that would be associated with 25 members as well as fulfilling all of the other Criteria. Discussion of whether it is “not fair” or whether it is appropriate to make it clear that they have to host the Tournament of Champions or review with Bylaws or say that we do not have a spot at this time....do we have a limit – has Debbie Cooke sent them details with Bylaws? **AGREED: Table to September 27, 2017 for full discussion.**

**ii. Allowing Club Members to join in CLGA Tournaments if their Club does not participate in other CLGA events/Terminating Clubs** – discussion of who is not fulfilling their mandate. **AGREED: To be added to September 27, 2017 Agenda.** Should we find a different way to charge Clubs, i.e. perhaps based on holes and ladies in the Club? Carlyn Dahl noted \$10,313 general admin this year - \$10,788 is what we expect to

receive this year. River Spirit has not paid yet; the Club does not seem to wish to pay but the women do. Cindy Beaudet pointed out that when we had the issue with the City golf clubs not participating, everyone voted for the City to leave the CLGA; Cindy also said that she wants to be very involved in these matters and is available to be involved. **AGREED: To look at the assessments more closely. Carlyn Dahl, Pamela Prenovost, Monika Jansen, Debbie Cook, and Monique Morrison will be the Committee to look at this issue. Monique will call the first meeting of the Committee and the new committee will provide everyone with an update in 3 weeks.**

4. **Adjournment of Meeting – 9:45 p.m.**
  - a. **Monika Jansen – close meeting**
  - b. **Margie Nicol – seconded**
5. **Next meeting September 27, 2017 7:00 p.m.**

## **POSITION REPORTS**

### **President**

It has been a busy golf season so far and I'm looking forward to more great weather to carry us through to the Fall.

Collection of Club assessments continues to be a challenge. I have been working with Carlyn and Monika over the past few months to try and meet with Lady members of clubs who have not paid as of the deadline. We will discuss in detail at our meeting but we will have to make some difficult decisions pertaining to delinquent club memberships.

The Ladies City Amateur was held at CHGC June 26th - 28th. Despite the lower number of participants than we would have liked, the tournament was a success and we received good feedback. We will be reviewing the final budget at the meeting and will have a general discussion about learnings to pass on for next year.

I'd like to thank all of you on the Executive team for your hard work and continued enthusiasm and support as we start to wind down on our 2017 events.

Sylvie Dugas

### **Vice President**

First and foremost, I would like to extend a huge congratulations to the ladies of the organizing committee for the CLGA Amateur tournament. You did an amazing job! As a bystander, I was impressed by your volunteers, organization of the tournament and the entire Country Hills Golf and Country Club staff. I learned a lot and hope to take some of your key learning to next years event at Inglewood.

We had our first meeting for next years tournament on July 27th. A full committee has been recruited with Maureen Best leading the charge. The next meeting, we will actively engage the proshop in the planning process. For next year we have had changes to a few CLGA committee members, it will now be as follows:

- Diane Jones – Treasurer
- Elyane McDonald - Secretary

I was unfortunately unable to attend the Junior Girls clinic but did hear that it was a success. I will be able to attend the 2017 Calgary Senior Ladies Closed Amateur Tournament and the Junior Girls Tournament. Should anyone need assistance leading up to the event or during I would be happy to help.

Monique Morrison

### **Treasurer**

All clubs with the exception of River Spirit have paid the 2017 assessment. To date 4,092 ladies have been covered in the assessments, which are down by 502 ladies or 11% from 2016. . 32 Clubs have paid the Tournament of Champions fees. River Spirit has not paid any part of the assessment; they continue to tell me that the cheque is in the mail. Fox Hollow did not pay for the TOC. Calgary Golf & Country Club paid an arbitrary number – 125 ladies down from 351 in 2016, The

GM of CGCC is fighting the 2017 male assessment as well and feels that 125 adequately represents all of the competitive female members of the CGCC.

The Amateur tournament had 49 entries and returned a net profit of \$762.87

The balance in the bank account as of today is \$25,260.53 and the Paypal balance is \$9,683.90. These amounts are pending refunds for the Seniors tournament, which is full. The total number of refunds is expected to be about 38 or \$4,560 but will not be fully known until entries close at the end of the day today.

Submitted July 31, 2017

Carlyn Dahl

### **Junior's Tournament**

The tournament registration closes Aug 2 (tomorrow). We currently have 13 girls registered in the 18 hole division and 8 girls registered in the 9 hole division. Valley Ridge members have been generous with their donations and volunteer time. Valley Ridge is looking forward to hosting this event.

Titia Born

### **Riley's**

This years event went as planned. We opened with our cocktail party on Wednesday May 10th at the Calgary Golf & Country Club. As always the evening was well attended and a huge success.

Our give away this year was a freezer wine bag with our sponsors name on the bag. For those players who did not attend some were picked up by fellow competitors.

We had a complete field of 48 teams with combined indexes ranging from 1.0-15.9

This year flights combined indexes were as follows:

Championship: 1 .0 - 9.20 Ranked #2 -Winners: Cheryl Newman & Rhonda Carter

First Flight: 9.11 – 12.45 Ranked # 6-Winners: Alison Olson & Elaine Sreaton

Second flight: 12.50 - 15.90 Ranked # 5-Wendy Hyde & Karen Walsh

It was a beautiful day for Championship Sunday held at the host of club of Canyon Meadows and our sponsor Rileys.

We are excited for next year's tournament and we hope to have the same continued success for 2018 and the 34th year of the tournament.

Cindy Beaudet & Jennifer Baerg

### **Medalist**

Four medalist events have been completed with a total of 42 players

participating. All host clubs have been very cooperative with Canyon Meadows having food and beverages on the first tee and cookies at the turn.

Weather has cooperated with only one rain delay at Carnmoney.

There are two more events planned, August 16 at Valley Ridge and September 5 at Springbank Links.

Respectfully submitted

Gaylene Donald, Susan Plum

### **Publicity/Media**

We received good coverage from Wes Gilbertson of the Herald.

Glenn Campbell of CTV awarded our winner, Annabelle Athlete of the

Week. I doubt we will get any coverage for the Seniors and unless sign-up improves for the Juniors, we will not get anything.

## **5-Year Plan**

I am waiting for a decision on the format of the Amateur before confirming the host for 2019. I believe a 2-day format will make my job easier in finding venues. Awaiting confirmation from Silver Springs for the 2018 Juniors.

Working on 2019 hosts and awaiting decision re 2018 TOC host.

Deb Cook

## **CHAMPS**

The 2017 CHAMPS is now entering it's last three or four games depending on rescheduling. So far, there have been a couple of issues that need to be discussed.

As Priddis is closing its doors September 1st, Cottonwood has graciously and once again stepped up to the plate to host the CHAMPS windup. It is to be held September 18th and the entry form has been sent out to all the coordinator's. I have met with Tiffany and their Food and Beverage Manager and we have everything organized. Investors Group has volunteered to sponsor #17 as a hole in one incentives and we thank them for enhancing this event. This year, I have advised everyone that if carts are required, that fee must be included in their registration form as last year, we had two people who did not pay.

At the half way point, Priddis was leading the A side with 129 points with Woodside and Hamptons tied for second with 124. On the B side, Hamptons was on top with 127 points with Bearspaw a close second at 126. I expect it to be very close right up to the last games.

Earl Grey still tells me that it will be opening its doors July 1st, 2018, but I wish to discuss with the Board the scheduling for them for next year.

There have been rumblings about the food services at Champs this year and I would like to discuss an alternative for next year to be brought up at the Champs meeting in the Fall.

Margie Nicol

### **Web site**

I am working on using Google Docs for contact lists, both the CLGA executive and all clubs. An email can be sent to all club with a link to the document for them to update. They will have access to other contacts on that list but this will be on a password-protected page on the web. I will send an email to the executive to update if there are changes. The President can forward to incoming executive to update.

### **Click on the link below the website report button and change information**

I will add a page on the binder section (on About Us button) for Social Media so anyone can access the links and promote on the CLGA handles and accounts.

Monika Jansen

### **Tournament Liaison**

#### **Amateur**

I worked with Debra Phillips from Country Hills on the draw. She has agreed to assist with scoring for the 2018 Amateur.

Adrian from Country Hills did the Rules and said he would help out when possible for future CLGA events.

A thank you card should be sent to Golf Canada for use of Radios. I will print up more thank you cards.

I suggest a survey be sent to all with questions regarding participation.

### **Junior Development Camp**

The camp had 20 girls register, 1 cancelled the day before, 1 never showed up and one girl left early due to illness.

A take away pamphlet and rules bookmark were made and handed out to the girls

after the camp letting them know about the junior amateur. To date 2 girls from the camp have signed up for the junior amateur.

4 pros did the camp. A cheque should be written for the honorarium, I will send a thank you card to them with their cheques.

### **Senior Amateur**

Ali will be using Willow Parks scoring system and a link will be sent to me to link to our website so results will be viewed different but sounds easy!

So far 31 entrants have been on the list to refund because they won't qualify. There will at least be 19 more to refund.

The draw will be done Tuesday August 1.

### **Junior Amateur**

Entries close Tuesday, there are 20 girls registered as of Friday night. 14 members and 6 non members. (3 are from Edmonton)

12 girls are in the 18 hole division and 8 in the 9 hole division

### **Celine Copeland**

Is a young golfer from Willow Park and gaining experience with social media. She will attend the junior amateur and promote on Social Media, may also do the senior tournament.

Monika Jansen