

## **Cottonwood Palo Verde Golf Committee Meeting, May 7, 2025**

*Here are the highlights, in no particular order.*

**Scott Anderson** reported that transition from rye grass to Bermuda grass is moving slowly due to temperatures. CW is looking better than PV. PV sprinkler system needed repairs. There are problems with some fountains and with dead fish on some lakes. RFPs will be needed for equipment; at least one piece might be “fixed in-house”.

**Joey Jones** reported Pro Challenge was well attended and fun; CW won. April rounds were up while guest fees and twilight rounds were down. Sundays are the best day for guest fees. Due to snow birds leaving, league play was down. Summer closures begin June 3; Tuesdays (CW), Wednesdays (PV). Also, courses will close: PV (July 7-13), CW (July 14-20). Joey will have pro shop painted while closed. New scorecards ordered with new yardage. Thursday afternoon “Couples Furnace league” begins May 15.

**Jon Griglak** reported that annual rounds have remained the same. Player cards are going very well. Chits will expire by the end of May. Wednesday night couples league starts May 14 at 4:00. Discussed the need to look at league calendars, including different games to meet needs of the league members. Meeting will include league presidents, pros, tournament chairs, etc. Hope to meet in May.

Golf committee will not meet in July.

### **Old Business:**

New scheduling/Point of Sale system, Jonas, will be ready for use in late summer/fall.

Golf committee members will turnover by October due to terming out and/or taking different positions in the leagues. Advertised for Request for people to apply for member-at-large position. Question was asked if an HOA employee (e.g., ranger) can be on the committee....yes.

Steve Hardesty gave an update on the state of golf. Steve will share via email a summary of the golf program financials that is presented by Brian Shaw to the BO. All rates will be reviewed based on the 6 month financials. Golf numbers have improved and increased significantly over the past few years.

### **New Business:**

Tee times will be available during summer 5 days/week at CW and 4 days at PV. All tee times will be noted in The Flyer. Concerns expressed to make sure people are made aware of the changes when tournaments have been scheduled because not everyone is checking the calendar. Calendars will be completed in September.

### **Sub Committee Reports:**

- 5-year Strategic Plan Sub-Committee: a revised plan will be documented and presented at the next Golf Committee Meeting.

- Rates Sub-Committee: will meet in July and review all current rates and ideas for changes.
- Marshall Sub-Committee: Complaints are down about pace of play. Seems to be more relaxed
- Communication Sub-Committee: has not met.

### **Committee Member Reports:**

**CLGA:** Sandy reported that members are concerned about bare spots and sandy trails on sand traps. Orientation of the workers might help to decrease some of these. Scott reported some bare spots are designated as best locations for entrance/exit paths for equipment. Parking concerns regarding cart path on north side of the CW pro shop. Concerned that path is getting clogged with carts parking along both sides and obstructing flow of traffic. Could be a safety issue. Forward tee boxes are crowned making it difficult to find a level space for tee shots. Scott stated that forward tee boxes need to be enlarged ... may work on this during summer. This will be labor intensive and very costly. She noted the new walking paths are being completed around the lake on CW 16 to 17 tee box.

**PVLGA:** Diane reported that members were asking if summer closures at CW could be on Wednesday instead of Tuesday because it diverts players to PV, interfering with PVLGA speed of play. Per Scott, we can't change at this time due to schedules in place for major work at those times.

**PVMGA:** John Kane reported that the average age for league members is 77. Everyone who is 85 is encouraged to move to forward tees. They are also requesting that their member/guest be flighted. Concerns re: two large trees are down and requested that they be replaced. Scott and John to review.

### **Board Liaison Report:**

Pat Duncan reported that board has approved the new tee markers. Also approved a task force charter to develop a wish list for improvements.

**General Managers Report:** Pool project is in the design phase now. 3 phases, each 3-8 weeks. Pool demo will begin in September. It will be 8-12 months before complete. The plan is to have a July 4<sup>th</sup> party to celebrate the new pool.

### **Comments from Visitors:**

It was requested to keep tournaments to 3 weekend tournaments per year. Starting times in the summer are earlier so should summer rates at PV start earlier since last tee time at PV is typically 9:30? The concern will be reviewed at the rate sub-committee meeting. The Grant request for an additional defibrillator was not approved and it was suggested the leagues all contribute to cover the cost. The item could be added to the agenda when all league reps meet with Pros, Steve and Diane.

**Adjourn Meeting:** Adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

**The next meeting will be held June 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the Phoenix Room**

Submitted by: Sandy Worden and Diane French, Chair