

Golf Committee of Fairfield Glade Golf Clubs

August 12 Meeting Minutes
3PM HHurst Card Room

Membership:

Chet Weeks	Chair
Steve Kraft	Golf Director
Sam Hall	Member at Large
Fred Boyer	Member at Large
Deni Selvig	Lady's 18 Hole League
Dean Creech	Member at Large
Jerry Allard	Member at Large
John Kinnunen	Member at Large (revised)
Bob Henderson	Board Liason
Ron Ekis for Tom Rice	Men's 9 Hole League

Not in attendance, Dan Richardson

-Call to Order.

-Review of July 8 meeting minutes. –Approved .

Committee Chair opening comments-

Chet W.

-We should have a number of candidates for the three openings we have upcoming for calendar 2011. We mentioned four prospective candidates.

Paul Demet
Derek Granfield
Tom Williams
Kornreich, Elliot

-Please note that an online application form is available through fairfieldglade.cc

-Stonehenge/Fairfield Glade was mentioned in the latest GOLF Magazine as one of the top 5 places to play in Tennessee.

-Recent article from Wall Street Journal – discussed the stress in the golf course management business due to the hot/humid and dry weather. In our region specifically – there are public courses that are having to shut down due to agronomic issues –we continue to survive due to the fine training and maintenance discipline of our maintenance staff. “Better slow greens than NO GREENS”! We also invest in our chemical treatments to avoid disease and drought damage.

Golf Director's Report

Steve K

-Rounds by venue	Druid	3423.5
	Dorchester	3966.5
	Heatherhurst	8484.5

	Stonehenge	3348.5			
		July 2010	YTD 2010		
-Revenues July and YTD by venue	Druid	116,135	592,490		
	Dorchester	121,194	626,689		
	Heatherhurst	254,208	1,256,379		
	Stonehenge	120,397	644,841		
		Actual	Budget	Act	Bud
-Total rounds serviced July and YTD vs. budget	July	19,223	19,805	88,910	95,756

Steve reports that for July rounds were down due primarily to heat related issues – and players cancelling. The short rain showers are also creating havoc with tee scheduling. Year to date we are off from budget by about 6900 rounds or about 7% --which certainly compares favorably with other venues in the state.

Handicap Flag Update John K
None applied or granted.

Handicap System Report Chet W

-Active GHIN Members --	Men--18	738
	Women-18	361
	Women-9	87
	Total Members	1186

-Ladies Invitational results were as expected with one exception. We did have a member who in the first round had a truly life experience! Off the charts completely – but in the second round regressed to a differential clearly within the expected range in the handicap system. No harm no foul! Actually – Appendix E of the handicap manual indicates that this particular occurrence in ON the Chart and has a probability of about 1/1000 of happening.

- Member/Member scores will be recorded as “T” or Tournament scores. Steve is expecting the handicap committee will do the posting.

-We do have groups using the report tool provided by GHIN. Just a reminder to all groups and event managers – TREND handicaps should NEVER be used to stage a competitive event.

-Lastly – we had a statistically significant event recently – with two players, playing by the rules of golf, in the same group, as partners – both “ shot their age” . Tim Sweborg (66) and Ansel Bradley (87) both achieved this milestone during P.O.E.T.S. play on August 6. We have also been made aware of other members who have achieved this result.

Old Business

Player Input Feedback and plans Allard/Hall
-Caution sign on cart path as requested last meeting on BRAE

Golf Survey plans and development Kraft

-Slated for November to update the three year old golf survey.—Steve has placed this effort on hole due to other priorities.

Player enabled senior ladies teeing areas

-Review of Irene Hawker's letter (Flying Ladies) and staff plan for implementation. Staff is accepting all of the proposed senior ladies tee temporary tee positions as documented in Irene's letter of August 2.

Stonehenge cart path safety holes #14-#16

-Under review. There will be resurfacing of the area from the top of #14 tee (the short par 3 teeing area) to the first bridge over the creek just short of the green .There will be some challenges in getting access to this area by the machinery – who will have to egress from hole #15.

New Business

Course Review updates (status)

-Druid review

-Dorchester review

Course Teams

Kinnunen/Rice

Creech/Selvig

Both reviews are attached as word documents . They were well done, concise, and highlights some of the challenges we have with these two courses. Course improvements or capital needs include improved irrigation control at Dorchester, fountains to improve aeration in the ponds at both of these venues, and replanting of flower beds at Dorchester. All completed course reviews will be posted on the golf committee web site.

Stonehenge course review is schedule for our next meeting September 9.

Meeting adjourned at 4PM.

Our next meeting with be September 9 – 3PM at Heatherhurst card room.

Golf Committee Course Assignments:

Druid Hills Golf Club

Dorchester Golf Club

The Brae

The Crag

Stonehenge

John Kinnunen

Dean Creech

Fred Boyer

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Jerry Allard

Tom Rice

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