

Golf Committee Minutes  
November 19, 2009  
Heatherhurst Golf Club

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 by Chairman Pat Gruet.

**2. Roll Call**

In Attendance:

Pat Gruet	Chairman
Steve Kraft	Golf Director
Chet Weeks	Handicap Chairman
Deni Selvig	Ladies 18 Hole League
Sherry Gibson	Ladies 9 Hole League
Dan Richardson	Men's 18 Hole League
Tom Rice	Men's 9 Hole League
Sam Hall	Member At large
Jerry Allard	Member At large
Fred Boyer	Member At large
John Kinnunen	Member At large

Absent: None

**3. Approval of October Minutes**

The minutes were approved by the committee as written.

**4. Handicap Flags** – John Kinnunen - No flags issued.

**5. Handicap Committee – Chet Weeks**

1110+ men and women in the GHIN. Average rounds posted men 35 – women 26. High volume players posting 60 rounds or more. Men are down 20%. Women are down 40%.

**6. Golf Director's Report – Steve Kraft.**

October was another wet month. Almost 7 inches of rain.

A) October – Paid 18 Hole Equivalents

Druid	2714.5
Dorchester	2979
Heatherhurst	5949
Stonehenge	<u>2440</u>
Total	14082.5

Budget	19938	(2855)
2008	18442.5	(4360)

Players Serviced	
Druid	3470.5
Dorchester	3673
Heatherhurst	7184.5
Stonehenge	<u>3016</u>
Total Players Serviced	17344

#### August PGA PerformanceTrak

USA	2655
Tennessee	1968
Druid Hills	4777.5
Dorchester	4569.5
Heatherhurst	8716
Stonehenge	4370.5

#### **7. Score Card Reprints (New Hole Handicaps)**

Stonehenge is completed. We have existing inventory for the other four courses. The print order is to be placed in late March of 2010 and the new cards are to be ready by late April.

#### **8. Steep Grades At Our Golf Courses**

This is an ongoing issue. Druid – no problems. Crag – No 17 has been corrected. Dorchester – No 13 needs to be reviewed. Stonehenge – Two holes – No 14 & No 15 need to be reviewed.

#### **9. Brae – Test Drainage on Hole No 5.**

Funds have been allocated for June or July. Drainage work needs to be done when grass is mature and course is dry. Charles Williams is the contractor. Steve mentioned also that he is in contact with the USGA regarding drainage problems.

#### **10. GHIN Renewals**

The new fee is now \$19.00 for the year 2010. Chet Weeks explained that this money is divided between the TN Golf Association and the GHIN Computation System.

#### **11. League Cancellations**

This is a difficult problem and has been ongoing for years. Weather and age are the major factors. There is no solution. The band-aid is to put pressure on our League leaders at the March meeting to make their players realize that lost revenue will hurt in the long run. Also, Steve will advise our membership via the internet.

#### **12. Annual Budget Meeting**

Regarding golf went smoothly. Preferred Card Rate will stay the same. Other rates will see a one dollar increase. Major expenses in 2010 are for Stonehenge – irrigation system, new pump station, golf carts, new roof and siding on clubhouse and bunker renovations.

Steve has negotiated a very good deal on golf carts at Stonehenge. We are switching from electric to gas. Gas is more economical. We get a full five years out of the carts.

Electric cart batteries must be replaced after four years at an approximate cost of \$600 per cart.

**13. Flexible Spending Account for Course Superintendants**

In a nutshell, each course is assigned a fixed dollar amount for the year 2010. The breakout is as follows: \$90,000 for capital expenditures and \$65,000 for golf course maintenance. Each Super must submit an AR so that Steve can approve.

**14. Meeting adjourned at 4:30.** As you know we had to cut the meeting short. At the next meeting on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, (3:00 pm) we will finish the November Agenda.

Submitted by,  
Pat Gruet