

May 13 Golf Committee  
3PM HHurst Card Room  
May Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Chet Weeks

Chair

Steve Kraft	Golf Director
Sam Hall	Member at large
Fred Boyer	Member at Large
Deni Selvig	Lady's 18 Hole League
Nel le Norris	Lady's 9 Hole League
Dean Creech	Member at Large
Jerry Allard	Member at Large
Bob Henderson	Board Liason

Absent: Fred Boyer, Dan Richardson, Tom Rice

-Call to Order

-Approval of April 8 Minutes

-Old Business

Golf Director's Report

Steve Kraft

Steve reported that rounds serviced in April for the first time in calendar 2010 exceeded budget! Total rounds serviced were 20,052 vs budget of 19,480. Year to date rounds serviced however, are still under budget by 4690 rounds. May is starting out as a very strong month – “we handled 1000 rounds in one day!”.

The new Pace of Play (POP) program was discussed briefly – and some changes are contemplated – one factor may be to establish different timing guidelines for morning times versus the afternoon times.

Handicap Flag Report

John Kinnunen

6 permanent handicap flags have been authorized. 2 annual flags have been approved YTD.

Handicap Committee Report

Chet Weeks

GHIN membership appears to be down year to year as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010YTD</u>	<u>Change</u>
Men	724	692	-4.6%
Women 18hole	358	345	-3.6%
Women 9 Hole	76	81	+6.6%
Total Members	1158	1118	-3.4%

Explanation of “R” handicaps was made in response to a member inquiry. An “R” or reduced handicap index is the result of the USGA handicap calculation comparing a player's tournament rounds with normal play. Some players have been observing this reduction – which is a normal part of the USGA handicap program—and an element of our club's compliance.

Player Feedback/Input Program Update  
Allard/Sam Hall

Jerry

Results are still being analyzed and tabulated. Over 400 players have responded thus far and cards are still being posted on all carts. The frequency of card inputs seems to have dropped off since the program was announced in late March and started appearing in April.

Chet Weeks suggested that individual venue "Course Conditions" indexes be analyzed and reported on during the next meeting. He also suggested that we need to look at other ways to gather player inputs – by enabling electronic input from players.

New Business

Cart path safety at Stonehenge – there is a high level of concern that cart paths on holes #13, #14, and #15 at Stonehenge are very unsafe in any damp or wet conditions. Improved signage and/or a resurfacing needs to be performed to avoid an accident similar to what we had on #17 at the CRAG last year.

Heatherhurst Course Review and Discussion (attached)  
Weeks/Boyer/Richardson

Discussion was deferred until the June meeting as Messrs Boyer and Richardson were not in attendance. The document for review has been distributed to all committee members and golf staff. Stonehenge review will be on the agenda for the June meeting as well.

Member Suggestion – "Gold Tees for Ladies"

All

To make the game more enjoyable, we would like to recommend the following holes receive first priority for new optional tees for senior women.

1. #18 at Druid
2. #17 on the Brae at Heatherhurst
3. #11 at Druid
4. #5 at Dorchester

Irene Hawker made a recommendation to enable the senior ladies to use shorter tees – Steve will meet with Irene to establish a plan.

LongRange Planning—GOLF Document Review

All

Steve Kraft had to leave the meeting early to help out with the member/guest event—so this discussion was basically tabled.

Chet Weeks  
GCOMM Chair

