

Cottonwood Palo Verde

Golf Committee Notes

October 4, 2023

Here is a recap of the meeting in no particular order.

12 Guests were present at the meeting

Jon Griglak reported that the number of golf rounds were down in July through September, probably due to the excessive heat. CW is using the "Golf Genius" live scoring system for league events. There is a fee for use of this software, but it has been well received by the leagues. A new golf course marshal program will begin in November.

Greg Tokash reported that there will be a welcome back ladies scramble on the first Tuesday after PV reopens.

Scott Anderson reported that they are reworking the bunkers on #2 and #14 at Palo Verde. Water usage is currently on-track to meet the requirement for this year, although 3 months remain. There is still some doubt about the success of the sealing operation on Palo Verde #14 lake, but some indication that water loss has been reduced. Scott gave kudos to Roberto Cortez for refurbishing the grass/leaf vacuum, saving the club several thousand dollars for the cost of a new one. Overseeding is ongoing on both courses.

The new golf cart policy that goes into effect Nov. 1st. Management was asked to communicate with any golfers that are non-compliant.

New rates were approved by Board last month and the golf committee will now spend time in the work their sub committees do to review homeowner concerns brought forward in the FAQ's.

Discussion was held on the following topics brought forward: Reciprocal price for PV only members, Chelsea tier levels, check-in process review, people potentially paying, , and/or money not collected on all who owe. Reviews will be done.

The water subcommittee reported there a test of the effect of not overseeding the fairways on #4 and #16 holes at PV and #5 and #15 holes at CW (except within 10-30 yards of the greens). These pilot programs are intended to demonstrate and evaluate the impact of these water conservation measures if they become necessary in the future due to legislative action.

The 4 subcommittees will be meeting before the November meeting to create at least 2 goals for the upcoming year utilizing the 5-year plan as a guide and use , concerns discussed , and the FAQ from last month.

It was also asked that the Pros continue to look at a scanner system for check-in at shotguns and to confirm that all players are paying members.

Scott was asked to come back with a recommendation on how to notify golfers of the 50-foot rule from greens and the cart-path-only holes.

The committee recommended the board to approve Mark Higgs as the representative of the CWGA, to replace Bill Bushbaum, who is stepping down. All other current League representatives were recommended by their respective presidents to serve for an additional year.

Denise Orthen will be recommended to the board for approval for another 2-year term as an at-large member. There were no other candidates present for the interview.

Homeowner Guests Comments were heard and if interested, please review Committee minutes on the HOA website.

BoD/Liaison report: Marty reported on Board action from Sept. Board meeting.

Recommendations for Management:

- Communicate to any members whose golf carts do not comply with the new cart rules which go into effect November 1.
- Recommend Solutions for how to define the 50-foot distance from the greens so we keep golfers off this area.
- Recommend new solutions on how to check-in before tee-off to assure everyone is properly paid. Consider a process for the marshal to use on the course. Require golfers to show cards so you also see HOA dues are up to date also.
- Send out a Communication to all members on the role of the new course marshals' role.
- Send out a Communication again on which holes will not be over-seeded and the purpose of this trial, include homeowners also.

Any comments or questions, please see your league rep to the board or any at large member.

Remember to sign up for your league on AZGolf.org

Diane French, PV Golf Committee Rep

Pat Shouse, CW Golf Committee Rep