

# Steering Committee Minutes – October 6, 2020

## Members Present

Wayne Schwartz-*President*  
Jimmy Walsh-*Vice-President*  
Hunt Thompson-*Treasurer*  
Billy Small-*Tuesday Coordinator*

Dave Brown, *At Large*  
George Cummings-*Secretary*  
Steve Leap-*Back-Up Coordinator*

## Members Not Present

Mike Reed-*Thursday Coordinator*

## ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING:

### Fall Challenge 2020 (*Jimmy*)

Jimmy updated the committee regarding the courses we are playing since his original plan was for 20 players and we now have 16. He has contacted the courses to eliminate unneeded tee times and to request shot gun starts. He confirmed:

- 1st ROUND - Thursday October 22<sup>nd</sup> - HOBBS HOLE - TAPPAHANOCK - 9:28am (\$30.00)
- 2nd ROUND - Monday October 26<sup>th</sup> GOLDEN EAGLE - IRVINGTON - 8:30am
- 3rd ROUND - Monday October 26<sup>th</sup> GOLDEN EAGLE - IRVINGTON - 1:00pm (\$45.00 both rds.)
- 4th ROUND - Tuesday October 27<sup>th</sup> PIANKATANK - HARTFIELD - 9:00am (regular Piantatank cost)

Billy presented the teams and round pairings together with the breakdown of the \$640 prize money. Match play formats at Golden Eagle will all be played from the Red/Black tees. The stroke play rounds at Hobbs Hole and Piantatank will be played from the player's preferred tee box. Dave Brown will handle cash prize money in Hunt's absence. Lunches on your own at the course grills (no box lunches as originally planned at Golden Eagle). The event team has been updated:

VENUE ORGANIZER:	Jimmy Walsh
COMPETITION ORGANIZER:	Billy Small
RESULTS AND AWARDS:	Billy Small, Dave Brown (Dave will handle the cash in Hunt's absence)
PHOTOGRAPHER:	(no volunteer)

### Awards Luncheon (*Jimmy*)

Jimmy noted the luncheon will take place on the pavilion with seating arranged for proper social distancing with 3 or 4 per table. He confirmed the following:

DATE:	TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10 <sup>TH</sup> 2:00pm (After Regular Round)
VENUE:	STEAMBOAT RESTAURANT      The Pavilion
EVENT TEAM:	MASTER OF CEREMONIES:      John McCormack
	VENUE ORGANIZERS:          Jimmy Walsh and Steve Leap
	MEMBER RESERVATIONS:      Hunt Thompson
	RAFFLE:                          Dave Brown & Hunt Thompson
MENU:	BUFFET: SOUP (Crab Bisque) AND SALAD (With Sliced Chicken) AND CASH BAR
COST:	MEMBERS CHARGED \$10.00 (estimated total \$400.00 to cover cost of raffle prizes) STEAMBOAT \$20.00 PER (estimated total \$800.00 - Geezer Guys treasury surplus will cover this)
RAFFLE:	THREE PIANKATANK PRO SHOP GIFT CERTIFICATES (\$200.00, \$125.00, \$75.00) NO OTHER PRIZES ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET GIVEN TO EACH MEMBER AT THE DOOR
PROGRAM:	ONLY THE 4 PERPETUAL TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED THIS YEAR. A list of all other award winners will be handed out. The committee has decided to eliminate printed certificates and the Power Point presentation from this year's and future year award events.

### Handicap System (*George*)

George reviewed for the committee the research he has done on system options available to us for keeping member's handicaps. With Dave Marchant's death and the need to assign someone else to maintaining handicaps, it seemed a good time to look at options. George looked into (1) staying with our current in-house system, **ScoreTracker**, (2) replacing it with newer software package; (3) using a cloud

based system or (4) using the VSGA GHIN system. Since our in-house hardware is in good condition and the software is adequate (calculates handicaps using USGA slope), George recommended we stay with it for now despite the fact the company is no longer in business. Although there are good reasons to switch systems, the Committee agreed to keep things as they are for now. George agreed to take over the handicapping responsibilities.

George pointed out that the **ScoreTracker** software is not clear or consistent on how it handles handicap calculations for new players (those with less than 20 rounds). In some cases, the new player handicaps Dave Marchant published do not match what is in the database. After examining the system it was not clear how Dave handled these calculations or if he if he did them manually. Further examination of the system is needed to solve this. Billy agreed to help clarify how we want to handle handicap calculations for players with less than 20 rounds regardless of what the system is capable of. George agreed will implement whatever handicapping policy (method of calculation) for new members we want to put into place.

*NOTE: After the meeting Billy and George discussed this issue and determined the best method for handling new member handicaps before 20 rounds are played. This method will be explained on the HANDICAPS page of the website as soon as possible.*

## Review of Responsibilities (George)

George pointed out that he felt because of Dave's passing now is a good time to take a look at all the work we do as a Committee to determine what, if anything, we can simplify or even eliminate. The Committee agreed and reviewed a summary of all the activities of the Geezer Guys that George compiled. The Committee agreed to maintain most of what we do but agreed to make the following specific changes starting as soon as possible:

1. Lower the annual dues from \$20.00 to \$10.00
2. No longer produce a **PLAYER PACKAGE** for tournaments (Billy's handout is adequate)
3. Continue to hold an annual end-of-season event but not necessarily with an award ceremony
4. When held as an awards event, only the perpetual trophies will be awarded:
  - Moorman Trophy (most net wins)
  - Memorial Trophy (most gross wins)
  - Cup Race Trophies (Silver and Gold Cups)\*

*\*NOTE: The Committee was split on whether or not to maintain the **Race for the Cups** competition and the awarding of the **Gold and Silver Cups** at the end of the season. As a result it was agreed to poll the membership and the Committee would accept the judgement of the group as to whether or not we would continue this season long competition.*

5. If held, simplify the awards event by:
  - Not awarding any certificates and simply providing a list of winners to members.
  - Eliminating the awards event Power Point Presentation
6. Continue to maintain a website but simplify it by taking down the following pages:
  - Round by round results (gross and net scores as well as cup points earned during each round)
  - Round by round results from the previous season
  - Handicap Changes Table
  - Closest to the Pin Winners Table

With the committee's review of our group's activities and supporting tasks, George offered to put together a proposal for committee restructuring. Its purpose would be to provide a more clear statement of all committee roles and their specific tasks which the committee is committed to in accomplishing and supporting our group activities. This proposal would outline one possible way of dividing the workload across the full committee.

## Replacing Dave Marchant

The committee opened the floor for nominations for Dave Marchant's replacement. The following names were places in nomination:

- Willie Hubbard (nominated by Dave Brown)
- John McCormack (nominated by Steve Leap)
- Tim Roscher (nominated by George Cummings)
- Pete Clendenin (nominated by Billy Small)

## "Gimme" Putts (tabled)