

## MINUTES OF TRILOGY LADIES 9 HOLE CLUB MEETING:

Date of Meeting: Friday, January 26, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Attendees: MaryEllen Hart, Karen Burger, Barbara Carrera, Gay Scholes, Julia Brooks, Marty Jo Ortiz, Nancy Tallman, Donna Coffey, Nancy Weinstein Mindy Rose

1. Welcome Remarks Mary Ellen: Mary Ellen called meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., and assured us that she will be President of our Ladies 9 Hole League for the next two upcoming years!

2. Vote on Karen Burger, as VP of Ladies 9 Hole Club: Elected by Board to be our Club Vice-President; requires vote confirmation at upcoming next General Meeting.

3. Previous Board Members: Nancy Weinstein showed up for portion of the meeting; she had no specific comments to offer, other than to say it was a pleasure serving on this Board, and she thanked us for our sympathy card on her Mother's recent passing, mailed by Club Secretary, Mindy Rose, on behalf and from all members of the Ladies 9 Hole League,

4. Membership, Barb Carrera: No new members signed up in January.

Barb suggested we amend the Membership Application Form to reflect if it is being completed by a "new" member or "renewal" of an existing member. We have 3 new members; we have approximately 50-53 active members. It was discussed that Loosie Goosie's currently has 80+ members and discussed the various reasons and differences of both clubs; there is much crossover of membership in both of our clubs as golf isn't a one size fits all so to speak, and there is room and access to and for all. We had 82 members on our prior roster before our golf course shut-down; feeling is once course reopens, current membership level will change & we will also have a campaign toward that end.

5. Website, Kathy Jenkins/Barbara Musante: (unable to be present at today's meeting) Kathy Jenkins updates & maintains member birthdays on our website. MaryEllen requested that the current members of the Board, please email suggestions for improvements &/or changes to our website, directly to her email address within the next few days: [mehtgc@gmail.com](mailto:mehtgc@gmail.com). (Comments on Rules below also refer back to Website topic).

6A. Handicaps, Gay Scholes: Gay discussed downplaying handicaps this season so we don't have more members drop off. It was therefore decided that MaryEllen will notify Club members via an announcement on our website to post their own scores rather than turn in cards to a particular, designated person for the duration of this season and/or until we resume play on our own golf course.

6B. This discussion led to discussion on Golf Rules, Marty Jo Ortiz:

Marty Jo shared she had recently been asked a few questions about rules for the following golf situations, and she shared the questions and answers with us:

- . If a ball lands in a divot on the course, does that result in a free drop?

The answer is “no”.

- . Rules of play in a sand trap :

Is a practice swing allowed in a bunker, and can you ground your club in bunker:

A practice swing is NOT allowed in a bunker (as it could provide advantage/information to golfers about the condition of the sand in said bunker).

Grounding your club in a sand trap is allowed, BUT you cannot ground your club when you are ready to execute your swing.

As the Board members present said some of this was news to us, it was discussed it might be a good idea to incorporate posting a different, helpful golf rule on a weekly basis on our website, easily seen when going onto golf website for sign-ups, etc..

7. Photographer, Julia Brooks: Julia continues to take photographs of new members and photos at our events throughout the year. Julia suggested adding a pop-up or pull down menu tab on n website for easy viewing of event pictures as well as for the individual photos and corresponding members’ names to help identify and recall all club members.

8. Events: Nancy Tallman & Cindy Burlingham: (Cindy could not be present for the meeting today) Nancy Tallman reported:

- . Recently, a meeting was held with the Women's 18 hole Golf Club, and the two clubs have decided on a combined effort event that will be called: “18+9= WINE”.

Date of event: Monday, March 18th, 4:30-6:30 pm ; appetizers & wine on clubhouse back patio.

- . There will be “ Sign ups” required for the event by both clubs, allowing for the known attendees in order to assign “ two 9 Holers & 2 18 Holers” to be seated at the same table, which will all be set up as tables of 4!

. Proposed budget of approximately \$200. per club was discussed and agreed upon as shared expenses for the event.

. Our 9 Hole Club Events will cost more than previously due to less memberships and less paid dues. We have 3 separate Events/Parties currently, identified as:

- . “End of Season” or “Spring Fling” as always in March: this year: March 25th: Details of Event “ TBD “ (previously has been hosted at restaurant, ballroom, and/or a member volunteered to host at home).

. “Welcome Back Party” is set: November 6th

. “December Holiday Party” : Although date was unknown during the meeting, Nancy Tallman subsequently, following today’s meeting, secured date for Santa Rosa Ballroom of: December 5th (in the event the restaurant is not yet opened in November. (It can always be canceled.)

There was consideration and much discussion about combining two events (“Welcome Back Party” set for November 6th & December 5th Holiday Party) into one event, which would certainly be more financially beneficial at this time, but after discussing the purposes of both

events, and current climate of membership retention and attracting new members, the takeaway was:

- a) We are leaning toward: No charge for the “Welcome Back Party”. If a resident has not paid for dues for the year, or is a new member or considering becoming a new member, \$10 requested pre- paid, but can be paid at the door, and if joining or paying for dues that day, their \$10 will be applied to dues for the coming year. This event will be Complimentary for all paid members. This meeting, in recent years has typically included pastries & coffee while the meeting is taking place, and Alexandrite has been present to offer clothing and a discount for a golf attire pre-holiday shopping that day, We have also been asking for annual dues to be paid at this event, and notifying members of the cost for the upcoming Holiday Party which can be paid at same meeting or up to a designated cut-off date.
- b) December Holiday Party: It has been established in recent years to determine and charge a separate amount for this event.

9. Treasurer, Donna Coffey: Donna shared we have about \$4400 in account.

We need to pay SCGA (estimated) cost of \$1800. After that cost is paid, we will have a better idea of what we have available for parties for the coming year as our membership is down so much this season.

Dues: currently remain at \$65. ( Idea was mentioned if we should raise dues to \$75 down the road, but not at this time. ) We learned that the Ladies Club dues at Indian Springs is \$129. Loosie Goosie Dues are now \$30; as \$36 of our dues goes directly to GHIN to maintain established handicaps, leaving our net available funds to spend on parties, awards, anything else, is \$29. and is now \$1 less than Loosie Goosie dues which just went to \$30. Again, goals and golf approaches differ, but compatibly overlap.

10. Open Discussion:

Feb.19th & 20th Meet & Greet at Indian Palms/ Bermuda Dunes Country Club Invitational Tournament:

On Feb., 19th: Hollywood Nights Mixer; costumes and prizes

On Feb., 20th: 1st 9 holes a scramble; 2nd 9 holes Best Ball; party in upstairs room

Re: Our Club’s invite from Indian Palms for their 2024 Invitational, (the Indian Course was not reseeded; other two courses were)... It was decided that an announcement will be posted on our website on an “information only” basis, as our Club is not partnering or sponsoring their Tournament in any way, but it is making “the availability to join” this Tournament known, as it was kindly extended to our Golf Club, as we are visiting golfers to their courses while our course is closed. Their members were also quite excited for us to hear that our Ballot and Vote passed!

It was decided our Next Board Meeting will be: Fri., 2-23-24, 9:30am

Minutes: It is requested minutes of meeting be forwarded to entire board within 4-5 business days from the date of the meeting,

Not all are aware of Password for our Golf Roster; it is as follows: golf9w

MaryEllen adjourned our meeting at approximately 10:45 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Mindy Rose, Secretary