

Hunters Ridge Community Association Golf Committee
3:00 p.m. Oct. 18, 2007

Present were: Chairman, Rich Berry; Members Joe Engler, Laurie Cascarano, Pat Wirsbinski and Madolyn Mumma. Also present were Association Board Member Dave Foster, Director of Golf Rob Harpster and Golf Course Superintendent Tony Duncan. Member Tom Malone was absent.

Mr. Berry called the meeting to order. He asked for a volunteer to serve as secretary and Mrs. Mumma offered to take the assignment. The committee accepted.

Rob distributed a copy of the newly designed scorecard. It reflects the new course ratings, new yardages and changes in local course rules. The committee approved the card and Rob will order 10,000, the minimum number he can order and probably enough to handle the Nov. 1 through May season.

Rob explained the new course rating and how handicaps will be affected. He agreed to post explanations and run further explanations in SCORECARD.

The committee discussed the process of golfers moving from white to green and red to pink tees. It was agreed that on Jan. 1, 2008, each golfer will choose either white or green or red or pink tees and then stay with that selection for the remainder of the season. Whatever selection each golfer makes will be the tees he or she will play in all events during the year. If, during the season, the golfer wishes to change his or her selection he or she must send a letter to the golf committee stating the reason why a change is necessary, e.g. change in health status. The golf committee will make decisions on a case-by-case basis.

The committee agreed to continue to monitor the posting of scores. Committee members plan to spot check scores from time to time.

The chairman said one of the biggest concerns expressed during the recent survey was pace of play. Rob said the golf staff continues to speak with golfers who are lagging behind and has had some success. It continues to be a problem, exacerbated when people are late coming to the first tee, spending too long hunting for balls in the swales, remaining in their golf carts when they could walk to their balls and be ready to hit immediately after their cart partner has hit. Rob said clocks have been installed at several prime locations on the course to help members track their times.

The committee agreed it would be helpful for the individual members of the committee to spend a morning at the first tee and also spend time with a member of the golf staff riding along as a marshal.

New business: Rob said one of the items of business he would like the committee to think about is whether the club should have gold tees. If the gold tees were eliminated it would enable the course to be lengthened from 5800 yards to 6000 yards. He said he often hears from potential property owners that a 5800-yard golf course is too short. The 6000-yard length is significant for many purchasers. He said he knows the course plays as if it were 6000 yards, but often he cannot get potential buyers to play the course. Moreover, the gold tees receive little play. The committee agreed it was a topic for consideration.

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, Nov. 26, at 3 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.