

Golf & Greens Committee Minutes
10-2-07

Marian Dyer – Co Chair	Becky Spears
Steve McKim – Co Chair	Rachel Wadsworth
Jeff Hunter	Mark Evans
Grant Morris	Ross Thornbrough
Barry Carter	

Steve McKim called meeting to order at 4:30PM

Old Business:

- 1) “Yardage Markers” on sprinkler heads – This project is taking longer than anticipated. Also the 150 markers have not been completed. Should all be complete by end of October.

Reports:

Golf Course: Barry Carter

Introduction of our new Superintendent:

Barry comes to us from Kingsmill in Williamsburg VA. He attended Duke University and received his agronomy degree from North Carolina State. His first superintendent job was at Pinehurst #1, followed by 5 years at Boca Raton. He then became the superintendent at Dubai and the Emirates Golf Club. His first job back in the states was here in San Antonio at Oak Hills Country club where he spent 9 years before going to Kingsmill.

- 1) Over seeding Schedule
 - a. Canyon Creek – October 15th
 - b. North – October 23rd

Golf Shop: Jeff Hunter

- 1) Calloway Demo Day was held Saturday the 29th.
- 2) Are looking to hire a new employee to handle outside services, carts and staff, range. A lot of complaints have come in

regarding the condition of the carts when you pick one up (not being clean, no sand in bottles, etc.) On the range new buckets have been ordered for club cleaning.

- 3) New Range balls to be ordered this month (500 dozen). Then 500 more in February and 500 in April.

SWGA: Marian Dyer

- 1) Ladies Club Championship had 30 participants, comprising four flights. This is the largest field ever at the club. Miki Gardner is our new Ladies Club Champion.

MGA: Steve McKim

- 1) The Men's Club Championship had 101 participants. Rick York is the Men's Club Champion.
- 2) October 13th MGA Tournament (4 man quota)
- 3) Sonterra Cup will be held on November 10th and 11th

New Business:

Grant gave us an update on the Canyon Creek Committee.

For the Master Plan Ken Story identified 3 key areas:

1. **Scope** - Determine what can & should be done. He also stated that at this time he did not think that we would need to hire a golf course architect/design firm to work on the project.
2. **Communication** - both from the members to the committee and from APGM to the committee & membership. He wants to know what we want as it pertains to the course. Especially from the newer members.
3. **Budget** - He stated that he would have to sell the entire project to the financial backers of Century Golf. He would need our help in this area by heavily promoting the Canyon Creek course, and raising the number of rounds played on it.

Stan Wreyford, (APGM Chief Agronomist) is working with TORO Irrigation to determine the scope of work and budget for the irrigation system. This assessment should be available this winter.

A list of the improvements made to the Canyon Creek course since the purchase by APGM will be provided to the committee within the next few weeks.

The following is from a ride around on the Canyon Creek Course with Ken, Stan, Ross & Jeff.

Canyon Creek - we looked at several things....grass, greens, and trees.

Grass - much improved over previous years. Especially in the areas that receive the correct amount of sun & water. Fairways like the first 4 holes are very good.

Greens - overall much healthier than previous years. They roll well and have good speed. Several still have weed infestations and grass mutations but improved over previous years.

Trees - The biggest detriment to growing grass on CC is the trees. I pointed out many areas that cause the CC course to be unacceptable to many of the members. Specifically all of the areas that are in play that have no grass due to the trees. Here are a few:

#2,4,5,7,11,13,15 - areas next to green or close to the cart path....muddy most of the time.

#5,7,8,11,12,13,14,16 - left/right side of fairway...poor grass & lots of mud.

Ken was very understanding of the need to remove a large number of trees. That alone will improve the playability of the CC course.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM