

WSSGL
Closing Field Day and Season Closing Meeting

August 23, 2007
Country Club of Halifax

League President, Mary Donovan called the meeting to order at 12:45 PM. She welcomed all the members and congratulated them on a well played Chapman Scotch tournament.

Mary thanked Diane Nessralla, Anne McGovern, Bob Guisti and the golf and wait staff of Halifax for Hosting a well run tournament.

Old Business

Copies of the Summer Meeting Notes and the Treasurers Report were distributed to each table prior to the beginning of the meeting. Mary proposed that we waive the reading of both reports and a motion was made to accept both reports. It was also stressed that all Tournament “Chits” must be cashed in prior to November 1. If you have lost a chit – contact Sandy Allan.

New Business.

Mary moved on to New Business. She thanked Debby Drain for her many years and hard work as Secretary and then nominated Marianne Glassanos of Hatherly as the new Secretary. A motion was then made and accepted. Mary also pointed out that Carol Neugar of Plymouth has accepted the position of Website Manager. This creates a vacancy in the position of Vice President of WSSGL.

Presidents Remarks

Mary spent a few minutes reflecting on her first year as League President. Mary came into the league with a self described, “aggressive agenda”. She consciously decided to be proactive on many fronts, in the face of several years of lagging participation. Mary commented that Adaptability and Flexibility will be the keys to continued success as a league. Change can be uncomfortable or Invigorating. Highlights of the changes made (or in progress) during past year include:

- Design and Implementation of the WSSGL Website, including approval of a new board position of Website Manager – Carol Neugar of Plymouth CC – has accepted this position.
- Opening Field Day was played under a different format. The Bramble format was a success and believed to be fair for all abilities.
- Where necessary, review and update of the rules has been undertaken.
- The most notable change during the 2007 Season was to invite the ladies of Black Rock and Indian Pond Country clubs to participate in the league’s special Tournaments. In May, Black Rock held an Invitational for WSSGL players and in September Indian Pond will hold one. The results and participation of the

players are encouraging enough for the League to organize the 2008 season to include a combined team of Black Rock and Indian Pond into the team match rotation. At the conclusion of the 2008 season, both the league and the Black Rock/ Indian Pond will have the opportunity to make it permanent or not. Mary then welcomed the Black Rock and Indian Pond ladies, commenting that we are looking forward to playing with them and their participation in special tournaments as well as league play. She thanked Jet St. Laurent of Indian Pond and JoAnn Klepper of Black Rock for the efforts towards this end.

- Moving on, Mary noted the many efforts of the volunteer Board and other members. She noted that in the fall, there will be the open position of League Vice President and her position as President will expire at the end of next season. She asked that each person consider contributing some personal time to the League.

Other Points brought up during the Meeting

- Tournament deadlines. The Tournament Deadlines stated on the entry form will be the hard deadline for all tournaments. There were situations of late entries this year which leave the tournament chairs too much last minute running around. Please have your entry in on time.
- Carolynn DiPesa of Hatherly asked Mary to comment on the Junior Tournament suspension. She stressed that the league should reconsider instituting both the Liz Crafts and the Mother/ Daughter. Commenting that we, as a league not only have to support women's golf but also promote the junior girls programs and encourage them to play. Mary fully agreed with Carolyn on this point and added that this is an item on the agenda for the Fall Board meeting.

Presentation of Boros and Summer Team Winners

Both the Boros Tournament and Summer Team were won by Marshfield Country Club. Mary presented both Teams with Congratualtions for a well played Season and the Summer Team with the Team pin.

The participants in the Marshfield Team are:

Penny Lock*

Jennifer Stewart*

Beth Nightingale*

Deb Annese*

Denise Royer*

Nancy Collins*

Margaret Smorgiewicz*

Susan MacDonald*

Jean Donoghue*

Barbara Chandler*

Val Smith*

Ann Kasimatis

Sue Spencer

Marian Bagnall*

Chris Rowe

MaryBeth Riley
Shelly Carson

*Starred players participated in the Boros Tournament.

The winners of the Closing Field Day Tournament was then presented by Anne Dillon and Barbara Chandler.

At the completion of the award ceremony the meeting was adjourned at 1:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betsy Mitchell for Marianne Glassanos