

MINUTES OF ZONE 6 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

QUALICUM BEACH GOLF CLUB

21ST OCTOBER 2017.

Minutes.

Quorum was achieved with 47 people in attendance.

Motion to accept 2016 AGM minutes made by Doug Paterson. All in favor.

A power point presentation was used to provide the 2017 overview, planned activities, budgets and results. (Please see the PDF of the presentation on the Zone 6 web site.)

This included reports by the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Junior Director, Tournament Director, Rules Director and BCGA Zone 6 Liaison.

Committee Election for the two year period (2018 & 2019)

Vice Chair: Al Ross (no other nominations)

Secretary/Treasurer: Phil Durston (no other nominations).

Recognition of work done by Don Mackenzie (Tournament Director) who is stepping down this year. Introduction of Kevin Mills who will be the new Tournament Director.

Representatives from all the clubs in attendance (14) provided a few comments on various news from their respective clubs over the past year. In particular comments were provided as to the current state of membership at each club. Several clubs advised small increase in membership. Other commented that membership had declined year over year. More information is provided below.

Motion to conclude meeting was made by Randy Swanson. All in favor.

Signed



Stephen Watson, Chair

Comments from various clubs in attendance at the BCGA Zone 6 AGM- 21st Oct 2017.

EAGLECREST

About 200 members with 90 members in Men's Club.

Club has been sold to new owners in 2017. New Owner is Lisa Liu, a business woman who resides

in Nanaimo.

All staff, including existing GM , Pro, Course Super and Chef have been retained .

Membership has not, at this time, been advised of longer term plans for the clubs operation.

QUALICUM BEACH-MEMORIAL

335 members currently which is down a little, year over year.

A new Club Pro began employment in 2017 after the resignation of Ross Mantell.

CROWN ISLE

Membership is trending down, including juniors.

Parts of course are being upgraded; specifically new lake to be introduced on #14.

GLACIER GREENS

A lot of work has been done on the course, especially around holes #14 through #16. New Tees have been introduced and club is awaiting a new course rating to be conducted.

SUNNYDALE

Had a good year. Membership slightly down.

New Course Superintendent recruited. The course is in really good shape, especially the greens.

After a very slow start for green fee players (bad weather) the feeling was that with the excellent summer and early fall weather it has resulted in overall increase in green fee revenue.

MT BRENTON

New Club Pro commenced employment this last year.

A previous Club President, who was very popular in the club, passed away this year.

Some uncertainty in the dining area at this course; the membership is not sure who will be running the restaurant facilities going forward into next year.

SEQUOIA

Lots of redevelopment; course was closed in 2017. Now to be known as Campbell River Golf & Country Club. Officially opening in June 2018.

Will have a new Driving Range, which will also have a lounge area .

A new hotel will be built.

Updated pro shop will also be evident.

COTTONWOOD

Membership down fairly significantly. With an aging demographics the biggest challenge.

FAIRWINDS

Number of rounds are slightly down year over year. Mainly due to significant rain experienced in the early part of the year.

Development permits have been approved for construction in and around the Fairwinds area.

A new pub & restaurant and condo development are presently under construction at the Fairwinds Marina area.

QUADRA

In 6th season of operation and continuing to struggle in meeting proper balance between revenue and expenses. As a small Island golf course, there is a large dependence on green fee players/tourism as opposed to the small membership. Decided the course will continue to be 9 holes - not 18 as originally planned. Focus on making the 9 holes as good as they can be.

65 Acres of land have been identified for redevelopment (residential) although permits are not yet in place. This will put us in a good place for revenue.

PORT ALBERNI

Pro (Bruce McDonald) is retiring at the end of this month and no replacement has been announced at this time.

Membership numbers are up year over year because of special offer provided to new members and those that made referrals. Unsure if that will continue into 2018.

Course work has been undertaken on holes #6, 10, and 14 to enlarge the greens.

NANAIMO.

New Club Pro (Chris Wilson) was announced recently and he commence in the role effective October 1.

.New Associate Pro commenced employment at the same time.

Membership numbers steady after drop last year.

Junior participation down although good participation levels for Nanaimo Amateur.

STOREY CREEK

Slow start to the year as rains prevented opening of the course on the usual dates.

A new Club Pro commenced employment.

Club improved driving range quality.

Several fairways were re-sodded.

Club advised in excess of 200 juniors are currently enrolled in Junior Program.

Tax exemption for the club has recently been received from the municipality.

MORNINGSTAR

Lots of rumors prevail over the financial situation of the club. The membership does not know what is going on and have no idea as to short/long term plans. So the membership is in a state of flux. Everyone waiting to see what is going to happen.

Meanwhile club is open for business.

Ladies club is becoming significantly smaller and junior program is basically non-existent.