

Valley Golf Association
Fall Meeting
October 11, 2008

Meeting called to order by President Bert Verrall at 4:30 p.m. at Palmer Golf Course. Motion by Lonesa Puckett to accept minutes of the Spring Meeting as presented. Second by David Combs. Minutes accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie Affinito is out of state playing golf at the present and will have the report to Bert by October 31 as required. Funds may be down a bit from last year and report will show on the web site.

Bert Verrall, President Report: Fall election of new officers for a new Vice President and new Secretary will be held at this meeting. This will be a very relaxed meeting. We finally have a full board: Phil Meier as Tournament Chair; David Combs as Social Chair, Deb Affinito as Treasurer. There has been a big turnover in officers over the last ten months. Last year the Tournament Committee suggested fewer tournaments be played in the future but participation has still been down.

Faye Palin: Membership and Handicap Chair: 331 members this year: 249 men; 74 women; 8 juniors. Most improved golfers this season are Nancy Neal, 35.0 to 30.2; John Kurtz 20.0 to 13.6; Rynae Baca 5.5 to 1.9. Handicaps are still in the books at the golf courses. You may post scores through USGA if you are outside and as season opens here, scores will show on your card. Most scores posted this year were James Bishop, 99, and Faye Palin, 118.

David Combs, Social: No report.

Jan Affinito, Communications: Not present.

Bob Stoll: Scholarship: Waiting for a report from schools and will have a report later. Jules has indicated an interest in taking this position.

Craig Savage, Rules: Not present.

Jim Flatley, Fundraising: Not present.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Nominating Committee of Bert Verrall, Jim Palin and Lonesa Puckett:

Larry Whiting, nominated for Vice President. Unanimously elected.

Valerie Martinez, nominated for Secretary. Unanimously elected.

For the Good of the Association: Thanks to Bonnie Prudence for her many years as secretary of the organization.

Ron, Alaska Golf-Shot, announced that winter golf leagues were starting soon and will have additional leagues starting about every two months. There is a flyer that it explains it all available at the shop on Knik Road.

Joe Butler announced that Friends of Palmer Golf Course is trying to do a raffle to raise funds. 200 tickets will be sold and will give prizes at the winter party.

George Collum, Palmer Golf Course: Had a fairly good season. A new grass has been planted for next year. They will be building up some of the fairways and have done much sand trap restoration. A new sand trap will be added on Hole 12. For next season they will be changing back to the original configuration of the course starting with Hole 1 and 2 being near the club house as in the past. He has talked to Cable Starlings about re-rating the course, but it has not been done as yet. There was a discussion between George and Faye concerning the slope and rating. George will ask Cable about the slope and rating when women are playing from white rather than red and me playing from red as seniors. Further discussions will take place in the future. George is working with a grant writer from Houston and Friends of Palmer Golf to work on paving car paths and parking lot. He also advised there will be water in all ponds next year. Fees may go up next year, both green fees and cart fees.

Cindi Heal, EZ Biz Coordinator: We have 65,000 miles in our account at present. Drawing for air tickets was won by Lonesa Puckett.

Bert will meet with others to work on tournaments during the winter at his home if anyone interested, please call him.

Motion to adjourn by Bonnie; second by Lonesa. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Prudence, Secretary