

Valley Golf Association
Spring Meeting
April 23, 2006

Meeting called to order by President James Seal at the Mat-Su Resort at 4:30 p.m. with 52 members present.

Jeff Barnhart made a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes of the Fall Meeting and accept as written; second by Dale Dailey. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was included in the spring newsletter. As an update, the balance in the pull tab account has changed.

Craig Savage, Rules Chair is currently in Orlando.

The Board of Directors has approved the use of devices to measure distances only during tournament play. The devices may not include the "bells and whistles" such as elevation or GPS systems.

James announced that the AGA has moved to 9630 Old Seward Highway, Anchorage, in the Full Swing Golf building.

As information there will be a section qualifier for the Women's Pub Links Tournament held in Alaska for the first time. Applications are available at the head table.

Bob Stoll, Scholarship Chair: Scholarship Program is in the eighth year. We have given out more than \$80,000 in scholarships. Applications are due May 13 for this year's candidates. This past year the Board created a grant program with the help of Harry Woodworth's generous donation. There is a box on the membership application you may check to make a donation to the grant program to help build funds. This is a community service from the VGA.

Dale Dailey, Fund Raising Chair: The pull tabs are healthy at present. Sales are doing well.

Jim Palin, Handicap Chair: Our season begins on Friday. As of this time 125 members have indicated on the membership form not to have their name distributed to others and some have indicated donations to the scholarship fund.

Molly Glasoe, Publicity Chair is currently out of state.

Lonesea Seal, Tournament Chair: Applications are on the table for the next tournament. Once again this year all tournaments will be \$25 per player. There links on the website now work for applications.

New Business:

Announcement from the floor regarding the Anchorage Women's Golf Association and an invitation for the ladies from the Valley to join the group. Some membership applications are available at this meeting.

President Seal then announced that Mark Glasoe, our Vice President, was transferred to Australia for the next few years. Jon Albright has been appointed to fill the position of Vice President.

Eric Henderson, Sleepy Hollow Golf Course: Located off Schrock Road. The golf course is in good condition and will be open seven days per week from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and has a self-pay system. Fee for 9 holes is \$13 and for 18 holes is \$24. Juniors and seniors are \$11. There will be a junior program this year. Scott Johnson will handle the program. You may contact him for further information. They are hoping to be open by May 6 but possibly not until May 15. Greens are looking good.

Jesse Werner, Fishhook Glenn Golf Course: Thanks to all for putting up with them for this year. Season passes will be \$325 single and \$425 family. When the course comes in, it will be \$14 per round. Senior rates start at age 60. Thanks to Jeff and Mike at Palmer Golf Course, Fishhook Glenn has hosted for the third year a tournament for St. Jude's and raised \$10,000 with the help of KBER radio. Fishhook can do tournaments. They do not have a Junior Program as yet.

Billy Bomar, Settlers Bay Golf Course: Settlers Bay opened Thursday on regular greens. About 10 holes will have part of the greens covered but will be able to play. As far as staff is concerned, Amos (our greens keeper) is sort of like Bill Murray in "Caddyshack", but does a great job. Ryan Sparks will be back in the pro-shop. Debbie Dunagan and Dora Donovan will be back as well. There is a bunker renovation program planned for this year. The VGA rate will be available again on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at \$18.00 for 18 holes. Have also various season passes available. Twilight rates are also available. Junior Golf will be available with Sam Bomar, Ryan Sparks and Billy.

Jeff Barnhart, Palmer Golf Course: Fees did not change for the coming season. Have instituted a new program to encourage members at Palmer to bring in new players. Trying to keep fees down. Eric and Jesse doing a great job. There is a new cart barn and new shop area at Palmer. New this year will be a couples night on Wednesday with a different nine-hole tournament each week. Tuesday and Thursday evenings, the Men's group plays. The Two-Ball tournament will be at the end of May. You will need an updated handicap to play.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Bob Stoll, second by Dale Dailey. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Prudence
Secretary