



CENTRAL SAVANNAH RIVER AREA WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION



Minutes for Oct 3, 2017 at Rocky Branch

Board of Directors

Executive Board:

Elected:

President: Pat Roberts
Vice-President: Kathy Blackburn
Secretary: Tracey Sillito
Treasurer: Janet Richmond
Past President: Anita Patterson

Executive Board:

Appointed:

Handicap: Carrie Dillard
Montenyohl Chmpshp: Sandy Rados
Publicity: Kathy Blackburn
Rules: Lynne Ulreich
Team Play: Mary Vaarwerk
Tournament: Brooke Hempel
Webmaster: Michelle Randrup

Representatives:

Cedar Creek: Cookie Caruso / Pat Wilson
Gordon Lakes: Barbara Blatter / Charlotte Johnson
Goshen Plantation: Deb Wilcox / Renee Gibbons
Houndslake: Diane Dorton / Sonja Johnson
Midland Valley: Jayne Becker
Mount Vintage: Susie Hodgen / Helen Campbell
The Reserve Club: Sandra Rados / Linda Swan
Rocky Branch: Sue Thorstad / Ann Sanders
Savanah Lakes: Donna Hutto
West Lakes: Betsy Howard
Woodside Plantation: Marion Hansen / Susie O'Connell

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The President Pat Roberts called the meeting to order at 9:36 am

II. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS / MONTHLY REPORTS:

- A. **Past President:** Due to the cancelation of the Montenyohl Tournament the gavel was passed over to Pat Roberts by Past President Anita Patterson at the beginning of the meeting. Anita requested that everyone review the important board actions she handed out, and to let her know if there are any corrections that need to be made. And thanked everyone for a good year.
- B. **President:** The President welcomed everyone. She read a letter from Geoff Duncan, Member of Congress, who congratulated Gwen Pollard on her great service to our service men and women overseas. A flag was flown over the US Capitol building in honor of her service to our military.
- C. **Minutes:** The motion made by Barbara Blatter and seconded by Susie Hodgen to accept the August minutes was passed
- D. **Treasurer's Report:** The financial report for Sept was accepted with the motion made by Barbara Blatter and seconded by Donna Hutto.
The annual audit of the books will be done by Mary Vaarwerk and Renee Gibbons.
- E. New members to the board were introduced; Vice President Kathy Blackburn, Secretary Tracey Sillito, Treasurer Janet Richmond, Rules chairman Lynne Ulreich.
- F. **Vice President:** The tournament and meeting schedule was discussed and is available to the membership on the website Homepage.

III. **ROLL CALL:** See the above results. Highlighted name indicates the person was present.

IV. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. **Handicap:** Carrie Dillard announced she has all the awards ready to present at the Rocky Branch Stroke play Tournament. And most improved golfer has been added to the trophy.
- B. **Rules:** Lynne Ulreich discussed rule #6 and the need to clarify the use of distance measuring devices with multifunctions and whether their use can be permitted if the multifunctions are turned off. Lynne will clarify the rule for the next meeting.
- C. **Team Play:** Mary Vaarwerk presented to the board a revision to the team play handbook which was voted on at the last team meeting regarding behind the field play which will become #17: Behind the Field Play. A summary of the new section is 'players are welcome to come and play, BUT if your handicap falls within your teams range for play that day you may not play behind the field – as you were eligible to play for team'. A full copy of #17 was given to the reps.
Mary wanted to present it to the board to get it put into the handbook.
- D. **Tournament:** Brooke Hempel reported that all forms have been updated. Latest revisions of the forms can be found on the website. Brooke stated that you should ensure that the latest revision is used.
There were two changes to the Tournament Guide: (You only need to print out the new 4 Ball section)
 - I. The entry fee make up was changed to \$6 for prize money
 - II. The 4 ball section was changed to include Gross and Net.
- E. **Publicity:** It was decided that no press coverage is needed at Rocky Branch for the Montenyohl Tournament. Kathy Blackburn will report the event separately on the website. She thanked Michelle Randrup for volunteering to do the Montenyohl.
- F. **Webmaster:** Michelle Randrup reported that all updated forms are now on the website. A discussion took place regarding the deletion of old newsletters and meeting minutes that are currently on the website. Barbara Blatter proposed a motion to delete the old newsletters from the website Pat Roberts seconded the motion and the motion was passed. The secretary took an action to ensure that there are backup copies of the meeting minutes before these are deleted from the website.
Michelle has removed some content on the website, and asked if any member has suggestions of what should be included or removed to make it more user friendly or useful to contact her. Pat Roberts made the comment that we should encourage our members to use the website.
- G. **Lady Pro:** New Chair Person Cookie Caruso. Nothing
- H. **Montenyohl Tournament:** New Chairperson is Sandy Rados The dates for the tournament are 10th/11th/13th of Sept 2018
In past chairpersons Dianne Dorton's absence, Pat Roberts reported that Sandra Moody's name had been put on the Runner Up trophy, however this is the last name that can be put on the trophy. A discussion took place on the options that could be taken and a motion was put forward by Barbara Blatter to have the plaques removed and names put onto new plaques in a smaller font or double rows so they will fit. Renee Gibbons seconded the motion and the motion was passed. Brooke Hempel volunteered to update the trophy.

V. **Old Business:** None

VI. **New Business:** In order to increase participation a discussion was led by Donna Hutto regarding

the Montenyohl Tournament and whether it should continue to be a 3 day tournament or change to 2 days, and if it has to be played back to back. A motion was made and seconded to go back to the clubs to ask if it should change to 2 days or remain 3 and whether play should be on consecutive days or spaced over a number of days. The club reps are to report back at the next board meeting.

Donna Hutto led a discussion on a proposal for changing the format on selected stroke play days to a Stableford format (points). In an effort to make it more popular and increase participation. Renee Gibbons and Brooke Hempel requested that the club reps ask their members on their preference of format and report back for the next board meeting.

Pat Roberts led a discussion on the current withdrawal policy, where a player has to leave the course if they withdraw from competition. USGA rules say that a person can only withdraw due to illness, injury or emergency. It was suggested that CSRA ladies be allowed to continue play if they withdraw for ANY reason (under a local rule). Lynne Ulreich took an action to research the rule and/or develop a local rule.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Four Ball at Savannah Lakes in April.

Awards to be presented after Rocky Branch stroke play October 10 are: Top ten% with lowest total scores: Most improved golfer: Memorial cup points: Hole in One: Perfect attendance.

Scores/Rules Assignments for Rocky Branch stroke play October 10 at 9:30
Beth Turner and Carrie Dillard – Scorers
Mary Helen McElreath – Rules
Card collection – Ann Sanders

Tournaments: Stroke Play Gordon Lakes November 15. Entry forms with names and money must be received by Nov 1 in order to clear the names at Fort Gordon. Those members attending the board meeting at Ft. Gordon on Nov 1 must have their name (as on driver's license) to Barbara by 10/18

A flyer was handed out for Champions Retreat Ladies 4 Ball Invitational for Monday October 30
First 50 players to sign up.

Next Board meeting will be November 1 at Gordon Lakes.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:45

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Sillito

CSRA WGA Secretary