



**CENTRAL SAVANNAH RIVER AREA
WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION
AGENDA – May 3, 2023
Mount Vintage**

Executive Board – Elected

President: **Barbara Blatter**
Vice President **Marion Hansen**
Treasurer: **Mary Shultz**
Secretary: **Luce Mallak**
Past President **Lou Kressly**

Club Representative

Bartram Trail – Linda Momeier
Cedar Creek – Kathy Cornforth / Judy Long
Gordon Lakes – **Mara Bushee / Charlotte Johnson**
Houndslake – Paulette Welsch / Lucy Loomis
Midland Valley – **Liz Scheuer** (left early)
Mount Vintage – Kathy Noyce / **Pam Johnson**
Reserve Club – **Louisa Visconti**
Savannah Lakes – **Nena DeArment**
West Lake – Betsy Howard/Karyn Liljedahl
Woodside Country Club – Sue O'Connell

Executive Board – Appointed

Handicap – **Beth Turner**
Montenyohl – **Marion Hansen**
Rules – Mary Helen McElreath
Team Play – **Mary Vaarwerk**
Tournament – **Marianne Harris / Nena DeArment**
Webmaster – **Michelle Randrup**
Publicity – **Luce Mallak**

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/MONTHLY REPORTS:

- A. **Welcome:** President Barbara Blatter opened meeting at 9:05 am and welcomed everyone for attending emphasizing the importance of representing and being a part of the CSRA.
- B. **Minutes:**
- Motion to approve the Gordon Lakes Meeting Minutes. The secretary mentioned that the attendance of Mount Vintage and Midland Valley was amended. Pam Johnson and Lou Kressly raised the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
- C. **Financial Report:**
- The Financial Report was given by Luce Mallak in the absence of Mary Shultz.
 - The current balance is \$5,972.90. Expenses for the month totaled \$1157.81 which comprised of checks issued to First Tee of Aiken and Augusta, Aiken Hook A Kid, and the Children's Inn at NIH. Also, two Board members were reimbursed for miscellaneous expenses.
 - The check for Children's Inn at NIH was approved by the Board via email distributed by Vice President Marion Hansen. It should be noted that this was not brought up at a Board Meeting
 - The item regarding a Donation Criteria form will continue to be tabled until Treasurer Mary Shultz is available to present.
- D. **VICE PRESIDENT:**
- No Report
- E. **ROLL CALL:** See the above results. The highlighted name indicates the person who was present.
- F. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Team Play: Team Play has met twice so far this year. Gordon Lakes is in first place in Division I and Mount Vintage is in first place for Division II.

Montenyohl Tournament: Marion continues to work with Woodside management to ascertain pricing.

Publicity: No Report

Rules: Barbara Blatter indicated that Mary Helen McElreath will be the new CSRA Rules Rep.

Handicap: Beth Turner indicated that she has updated the Memorial Points and it has been posted to the website.

Website Coordinator: No Report

Tournament: Marianne Harris reported that there were 62 players for Mount Vintage. No one will start on Hole #3 and Chester/Vintage are the courses being played. Marianne mentioned that an additional player is needed (preferable a woman) to serve as a marker. Barbara Blatter and Linda Newhouse are the team needing a marker and expressed no concern over playing with a man if necessary.

G. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

- Bartram Trail – Linda Momeier is finalizing details and costs for the upcoming event.
- Cedar Creek – No Report
- Gordon Lakes – No Report
- Houndslake – No Report
- Midland Valley – No Report
- Mount Vintage – Pam Johnson reported that arrangements were all set for the next event. Her only question was what type of gift card is appropriate. It was agreed that gift cards from Walmart would be provided.
- Reserve Club – Louisa announced another new member which brings Reserve total to 46. She also mentioned that she was contacted by Paulette Welsch regarding Lady/Pro and the binder. Louisa indicated that no binder was provided to her and that she merely downloaded the forms and began planning. There is no online signup for Lady/Pro. Since Paulette Welsch was not in attendance Marion Hansen agreed to contact her as the event is coming up and it is important to communicate the costs associated in order to have an adequate field. There was concern expressed that the cost of LadyPro has not been communicated and will hamper the Reps ability to secure players and teams.
- It was also noted that the Lady/Pro form on the website still listed Rocky Branch and the form will need to be updated. Another topic of Lady/Pro was where the Pro and Amateur plaques were. Nena indicated that Savannah Lakes had the Pro plaque, but it was not clear where the Amateur plaque was. West Lake will continue to look for plaque.
- Savannah Lakes – Nena reported one new member with the potential of another. These new players are from their Nine Holers and the new ladies are enjoying playing 18 holes. It appears that the change to having Nine Holers join CSRA could potentially build up membership.
- West Lake – Marianne Harris commented that since they were assigned the month of May, she met with the Pro Shop and due to many outside tournaments, the CSRA is currently wait listed for a Monday Date. Also reinforced Reps getting with their Pro Shop to get dates sooner rather than later.
- Barbara Blatter then began a discussion on the importance of avoiding scheduling a CSRA event on days in which a Club has other tournaments/events scheduled. It was felt that this minimizes the mission of the CSRA to support women's golf. Every effort to avoid this will help us achieve the status as a solid organization that promotes women's golf.
- Woodside –No Report except for the Montenyohl planning for host day.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The request for additional funding for Montenyohl will continue to be tabled until the proposed budget can be provided to the Treasurer.
- Marianne Harris provided a proposed change to the 15-year calendar. Copies were distributed to the attendees. Explanation was that the calendar was built using the starting points of Lady/Pro and

Montenyohl events. Then the calendar would be a rotation through the clubs to avoid double hosting of events. The first event was discussion on the change to Montenyohl dates. A motion was raised that CSRA will host the first two days of Montenyohl in late October with the final day in early November. This rationale was to hopefully improve attendance of the event. The motion was raised by Marianne and Louisa and was unanimously passed noting that 2024 would be the first of this format.

- The second discussion was the name of the calendar. Since CSRA no longer has 15 clubs, it was felt that this document would be only five years at one time. It was decided that the document would be called "Long Range Planning Calendar." This was voted on and unanimously agreed to by membership. This will result in the SOP and other pertaining to be updated to reflect this name change.
- The final point of discussion was by Beth Turner and Linda Momeier about offering a one-day extravaganza for those CSRA that do not want to play in a three-day tournament and are discouraged about it being a 'Gross' tournament. It was felt that this would raise participation for the luncheon and more commadarie throughout CSRA. This change will require further planning and discussion, but it was agreed that we would not pursue it for 2024.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Charlotte Johnson brought up the cancellation policy. The Tournament Guide currently reads that cancellations are allowed up to 6 pm the day before an event. This causes much paperwork to refund monies and in the case Gordon Lakes, much unnecessary aggravation as they are audited due to being a government entity. A motion was made to change the tournament guide to reflect that reimbursement of cart fees would be provided only if player cancels **No later** than 48 hours of their tee time. The vote was unanimous, and the Tournament Guide will be adjusted accordingly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Barbara closed that meeting at 10:07 announcing that the next meeting would be at Houndslake on June 12.

Respectfully submitted,

Luce Mallak
CSRA WGA Secretary