

**JEFFERSON PARK WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB**  
**SPRING MEETING**  
**Saturday, March 4, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by Club Captain Judy Ozuna at 12:08pm.

The following board members and officers were present:

Judy Ozuna (Club Captain)  
Barbara Bendrick (Saturday Co-Captain)  
Pat Owen (Secretary)  
Pat McShea (Treasurer)  
M.J. Mitoma (Ex-Officio Member)  
Terry Cartier (Trustee for Handicap and Rules)

There were 33 members present. Six board members and 27 members. A quorum is considered in place.

**Announcements:**

1. Aeration dates: April 3 and Sept 4
2. Judy gave a summary of the public meeting about Holes 11 and 12: A third of the attendees were neighbors and the rest were golfers from the men's and women's clubs. The plan will restore hole 11 to a par 4 and place netting or baffles along holes 11 and 12 to keep errant balls on the course. Golfers' main concern was when this would be finished. Planners expect to start in the fall and take a year or so to complete the project. Neighbors were concerned about the blackberry bushes overtaking holes 11 and 12 and growing outside the course fencing. They'd like the course to look like a golf course and not an out-of-control briar patch. The representatives made note of this and said that the current plan will go forward. .
3. WAGolf asked Judy to promote the 2023 4-ball Match Play year-long event. Debbie Yee explained the details (two-person teams with great prizes for competitors). April 24 is the deadline for entry. Debbie Yee is available for any questions. See [www.wagolf.org](http://www.wagolf.org) for additional information.
4. Jefferson Park Golf lost a longtime employee, Fred Lue, toward the end of February. Fred was our starter for a long time and had been around the course forever. Pat McShea brought a sympathy card for the membership to sign. Lorrie Alfonsi suggested members might want to add money to the envelope to help the family.
5. The Board gave a Puetz gift card to Debbie Yee to honor her 10 years of service as Saturday Captain.

**Reports:**

**Secretary – Pat Owen**

- Read highlights from 2022's spring meeting

**Treasurer – Pat McShea**

- Financial report/process review
- Membership count to date: 89 (7 dual, 19 Tuesday and 63 Saturday)

**Saturday Captain – Barbara Bendrick (Scheduler – Pauline Wilder)**

- Competition Schedule will be on the web site soon.
- Pauline sends an email at the beginning of each week asking for names of those who want to play on Saturday. She sends a second email on Friday which lists the tee times of players who

signed up. If someone has a tee time and cannot play, she is to email both Barbara and Pauline.

- Key dates:
  - Captain's Cup: June 10, 17 and 24
  - Club Championship: July 22 and 23
  - Field Days: July 8, August 12 and October 28

### **Tuesday Captain – M.J. Mitoma (Ex-Officio) for Nancy Fukuhara**

- Greens are punched the day before the league starts. There will be no competitions that day but members are welcome to play.
- E-mail Nancy each week when you want to play the next Tuesday. Please do so by Sunday.
- General discussion about membership levels and members completely new to golf
- Competition Schedule is on the website.

### **Handicap Chair – Terry Cartier**

- Reminder to post all scores to GHIN; preferably on the day you play. We post from March until November r 15.
- A round includes 9 holes, 13 holes and 18 holes. If you only play 13, you'll need to use equitable scoring for the remaining holes. If you only play 12 holes, post the 9-hole total. Contact Terry if you need assistance.
- Members are encouraged to use the GHIN app hole-by-hole scoring system. This app will make scoring adjustments for you. (NOTE: In weekly competitions, you must use the score you shot. The GHIN system will automatically adjust your score if weather conditions create an unusually difficult playing environment.)
- Changes to the rules: #1 Changes for handicap golfers (detail on USGA site) #2 If you break a club, you may replace it (unless you caused the damage in anger) #3 Line-of-sight relief (one stroke penalty) now you can go back between you and the pin, mentally draw a line and drop anywhere on the line as long as it stays within a club length, you've placed the ball properly. It can even be closer to the hole. This is not for cart relief, but can be used for an unplayable lie (behind a bunker, brush, etc.) #4 If you take relief and the ball comes to rest, should the ball move (wind, grass shift, etc.), then you are REQUIRED to put it back where it was. #5 In stroke play, it used to be required to write your handicap on the card. This is no longer required.
- Contact Terry or M.J. (Tuesday players) if you make an error when you post.
- USGA is no longer printing rule books. Look online or get the USGA app. Terry will be available by email until June. Margaret Smith, a member and USGA Rules Official, is also available for assistance.
- General discussion about knowing the roster of the members. . Our organization does not provide access to the membership due to privacy concerns. However, Saturday members can access contact information of other members by checking the emails that Pauline sends for weekly competition sign up.

### **WSWPLA (Washington State Women's Public Link Association) Rep – Pauline Wilder**

- WSWLPA 2023 Tournament Schedule reviewed. Pauline will send an email to the membership regarding each tournament with the sign-up details and deadline.
- First tournament is April 8 at the Indian Summer course in Olympia. The entry deadline is March 15:
  - 2-person best ball
  - No more than 10 stroke handicap difference between teammates
  - Let Pauline know as soon as possible.
- Members of a private club cannot play in these events.
- WSWLPA web site has the information.

### **Old Business**

- Status and decision concerning awards for the Club Championship and Captain's Cup. Given little input from the membership the Board decided to ask the winner which they'd prefer: a trophy or or cash award.
- Business cards to advertise JPWGC – Ended up with 300 cards (some quality control issues so the order was doubled for no extra charge). Might add a QR code in future reprints. Cards were given to Marsha Nakatani to distribute from the pro shop or from JPWGC members who volunteer at the course

### **New Business**

- GSWPGA: Lorrie Alfonsi, volunteered to be JPWGC's representative for the GSWPGA (Greater Seattle Women's Public Golf Association). She will step in as the Vice-President to start the 3-year term. This organization creates team play between public clubs in the greater Seattle area. Debbie Yee will ask the GSWPGA if it's okay for us to rejoin. (See GSWPGA web site for detail). The membership unanimously approved rejoining GSWPGA. Costs and procedures were discussed.
- Discussion about members who do not join both Tuesday and Saturday leagues but want to play on the other day.  
Contact the coordinator and ask. You will not be included in the competition but if there is room, you'll be able to play
- Pauline advised that there are opportunities for volunteering to assist the course and earn free golf.

Meeting adjourned at 1:17pm.