

## **IESGA Annual Member Meeting – September 27, 2023 at Liberty Lake Golf Course**

The annual IESGA Meeting was called to order by President Pete Fredrickson at 4:00 pm. President Fredrickson thanked everyone for being here and said that we had quite a year. He talked about the new on-line registration for membership and tournaments that was implemented early in the first half of the season and encouraged everyone to use it next year. He reported that the Board is in the process of changing the wording of the bylaws under Terms, from “shall elect three to shall elect four eligible seniors” to be in sync with what we are currently doing. He then moved on to the Officer reports.

Secretary Joan Lawson announced that she is retiring her position and that board member Brad Berg will take over as the new Secretary. Brad was introduced and gave some remarks about how the new online registration process is going and encouraged everyone who hasn't used it to start doing so.

Treasurer Lee Paul reported that we are in good shape financially, we brought in \$219,000 in income which is more than was budgeted mainly due to using a lower green fee than the actual due to some courses including carts in their green fee. Cash outflow was pretty much on budget with the exception of the license renewal because we had to register with the IRS and get an Employer ID number. Lodging expense went down and will continue to do so since we don't have the end of year out of town tournament anymore. Office expense will be lower due to higher usage of online entries. Nearly \$8,000 in refunds were processed, mostly due to players needing to cancel for various reasons but some due to duplicate online entries. Doug Kearsley has created a report for members to look up their online entries which should prevent duplicate entries and payments. The website expense is for five years of website licensing instead of one year so won't have that expense for the next four years. Overall, net cash flow is in the positive at \$47,000, some of which will be spent on second half payouts. On the balance sheet we have about \$25,000 in CDs. In terms of liabilities, we have almost \$41,000 in outstanding gift certificates including those for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of this season. The 2021 certificates have expired but if anyone has one to use we can work with you. The 2022 certificates will expire at the end of this year and can be used at Wide World of Golf and the local courses. Many of them will keep your money on the books beyond the end of 2023. Net reserves are at about \$17,000 so we are in good shape financially. We had 348 members this year and 2,730 rounds of golf. There were 260 members with payouts in the first half and 246 in the second half with maybe a few more after today's results. \$36,400 in gift certificates and almost \$48,000 in cash was paid out this year. There was a question about how to use a gift certificate for payment online; answer: choose the pay by check option and either mail the certificate to the IESGA address or drop it in the results box at the tournament. The policy going forward is that you must use the full amount of the certificate when paying for tournament entries; we will not carry forward unused balances due to bookkeeping issues.

President Fredrickson announced the four nominees for board members: Scott Petersen, Mike Hemmingson, Steve Jones and Pete Fredrickson. The members unanimously voted to approve the board members. Doug Kearsley presented the certificates and \$50 award to the club champions that were in attendance: D Flight Low Gross Champion, Dave Hargreaves; B Flight Low Gross Champion, John Sullivan; A Flight Low Net Champion, Scott Petersen; B Flight Old Goat Champion, Jim Smith; C Flight Old Goat Champion, Steve Brendemihl and D Flight Old Goat Champion, John Hanke.

John Hanke announced that we won't be doing the scramble next year but he was amazed that even with the bad weather everyone showed up! Next year we will play our last event here at Liberty Lake and it will be an Old Goat tournament capped at 144 players, shotgun start with the annual meeting afterwards. Anyone in the Old Goat will have priority to enter first and the remaining spots will be filled on a first come first served basis. It will count for 2 points toward the OG championship. John will also

implement a policy to allow players in the A, B, and C flight to play from any tee they want. The world handicap system works well. If you play from the forward tees though, you can't participate in the KP, Gross or Honey Pot games; this new policy will keep it fair for all players and the game is a lot more fun when you can reach a green in regulation. The guys in D Flight have been happy we're doing that and some of the C Flight would like to do it. Question asked if members can pick which tee for each tournament? Answer: Yes, when you sign up for a tournament there will be a choice of which tee to play from. Question about skins? Answer: Eligible for net skin but not gross skin from forward tee and you could have a lot lower handicap. Question about how Old Goat would be affected? Answer: No problem at all, the handicap system takes care of that since Old Goat is net.

John Hanke announced the awards for the Scramble: KP: A Flight: Jack Lawson, B Flight Jack Greif, C Flight Pete Cain, D Flight Jeff Colliton.

Five teams tied with a score of 66:

Behrens, Maas, Kearsley, Watson  
C. Colliton, Lawson, McMaster, Baumgartner  
Bettinger, Koelling, Ruen, Smith  
Roberg, Yandt, Schwenke, Ralston  
Anderson, Cain, Stroud, Mejia

Meeting was adjourned for the drawing and awarding of door prizes.