

Village Cup Committee Minutes
Fish Hawk Recreation Center
May 8, 2025

Attendees: Debbie Harlan (President/Evans Prairie), Suzie Phillips (Evans Prairie), Pat Golen (Evans Prairie), Sue Nelson (Vice President/Glenview), Connie Glazik-Pierce (Glenview), Jeanne Cooper (Hacienda Hills), Paula Boulette (Tierra Del Sol), Barb Cooksey (Tierra Del Sol), Kay Schnepf (Palmer), Seay Anne Sheley (Southern Oaks), Gayle Hazelwood (Cane Garden,) Diane Martino (Cane Garden), Susie Blaser (Havana), Cindy Globush (Havana), Priscilla Salute (Shallow Creek), Kyle Maday (Shallow Creek), Mary Hewitt (Lopez), Terri Zimmerman (Lopez), Connie Oshry (Mallory Hill), Delia Treffer (Bonifay), Sherri Kent (Bonifay), Peggy Pruitt (Orange Blossom), Judy Mowery (Orange Blossom), Trisha Cooper (Belle Glade), Terri Tonolli (Belle Glade), Susan Byrne (Treasurer).

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:57 pm by Debbie Harlan, President.

- **Introduction of New Captains and Co Captains:**
- **Approval of Minutes from March 20, 2025:** A motion was made to accept the March 20, 2025, meeting minutes, by Peggy, seconded by Seay Anne. Approved unanimously.
- **Treasurer's Report:** - Ended with a healthy balance of about \$5,000 with just a few additional expenses to pay. One of the reasons we ended with a larger amount is because our tee gifts were less, and we budgeted for course tee times that weren't spent.
- **Old Business – Discussion on Tournament - Review of what went well, list of potential changes etc.**
 - Feedback from teams: People enjoyed the kickoff party, and the time spent to meet and socialize. The pairings and competition went well, and most people were pleased with how smoothly it went. Players understood more about how things worked and there was good communication. The volunteers did an amazing job, and we are very grateful. Players didn't have to give up a lot of strokes due to the pairing's formula. Some players would like to have things go back to basics and focus on the tournament and less about the tee gift. We might do better with the place of play by adding volunteers on holes 3 and 7. Some competitors were talking to spectators. The rounds were 5 hours and the later your tee time the longer it was. Instead of a tee gift we could contribute to a scholarship in memory of Trish. (Jrs in Golf or FSU). First timers were impressed with the kickoff party. Some suggested that we tighten tee times. The Pace of Play official had a foursome skip, then they had to wait for the team in front of them. You do have the option to challenge the pace of play official at the end of the round. Some suggested not to have back-to-back days however that was because of Good Friday. What Carol Smith did this year with the tables was 100 percent better. Perhaps the restaurants could work on a pre-set menu. Perhaps Captains, or the committee can better educate our teams, so they understand pace of play. Perhaps a volunteer leader could help run the tournament. We

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should save the timing volunteers on Alternate Shot. The teams may be too big and perhaps have a North/South tournament. Seay Anne did a great job with the tee sheets, cards, and lineups. Trish and Sue's hard work over the years have helped because we seem to have less issues on rulings and players have a better understanding of the rules. Some people brought their own food or drinks from the course into the restaurant which was not appreciated.

- **Action Items:**

- **Competition Committee: Pace of Play – Consider adding volunteers on holes 3 & 7.**
- **Competition Committee: Include in training/guidelines competitors to avoid speaking with spectators.**
- **Logistics Committee: Research a pre-set menu with the restaurants.**
- **Team Captains and Competition Committee: Additional Pace of Play education/training for players.**
- **Competition Committee: Research the idea of having a volunteer as a leader who will help manage the tournament.**

- **New Business:**

Officer Nominations (Vice President Interim Secretary, Treasurer) We have always voted in officers for a 2-year term. This year our group decided to extend the terms for President and Secretary. Sue is going to stay on as a consultant to the President and the Competition Committee.

A motion was made to nominate Seay Anne as Vice President by Delia, seconded by Susie.

Approved unanimously.

Effective Immediately, Seay Anne will oversee the Competition Committee and Vice President.

A motion was made for Sue to stay on as Treasurer by Gayle, seconded by Priscilla.

Approved unanimously.

A motion was made to nominate Pat as Secretary by Suzie, seconded by Teri.

Approved unanimously.

Review of Survey and timeline

Survey – What we are including/excluding:

Questions were reviewed and we generally get an 80% return. Sue reviewed all the survey questions that were modified from the original one with suggestions from the captains. We do not collect names and information from the survey recipients. A question was brought up "Should the Village Cup be truly residents or include people who are renters for a couple of months"? We don't have eligibility criteria for the Resident's Cup and other tournaments; therefore, this should be brought up to the captains. Could this taint the reputation of the tournament? The Competition Committee can start looking at this right away. There were some issues with this on some teams. A question could be asked if you are full time owner, seasonal owner/non owner, renter/ less than 3 months.

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A motion was made to ask the question in the survey: Are you a full-time resident Yes or No (full, if not how many months?) by Jeanne, seconded by Terri.

Motion approved - 1 opposed.

Gayle brought up the question concerning how we create the teams using the 16 lowest handicaps. Perhaps a question asking if we are happy with how the teams are picked.

A motion was made to ask the question if we are happy the way the teams are picked by using the 16 lowest handicaps by Terri, seconded by Jeanne.

Motion failed - 7 in favor 9 opposed.

The competition committee will look at this issue and see if we can address it in the future. The survey will be sent out to the captains to send it to their players and will be open for 2 weeks.

- **Action Items:**

- **Competition Committee – Review the idea of resident eligibility criteria.**
- **Competition Committee – Include the question in the survey: Are you a full-time resident Yes or No (full, if not how many months?)**
- **Competition Committee – Will review whether the players are happy with the teams consisting of the 16 lowest handicaps.**

New Guidelines for Expense Approach and Reimbursement: This was formulated as a process to address the hackers that have requested money for reimbursement. This will prevent any over budget purchases for the groupings. Debbie will send out a copy to all the captains.

Discussion on a donation to a scholarship fund in Trish's name.

A motion was made to take \$500 from the LVC to fund an FSU scholarship by Delia, seconded by Barb.

Motion approved unanimously.

A copy of the Treasurer's report will be sent to the captains a week before the meeting along with the agenda. The petty cash fund will be included on the agenda for August.

- **Action Items:**

- **President – Debbie will send the new Expense & Reimbursement guidelines to each captain.**
- **Treasurer – Will send the treasurer report to the captains a week before the meeting along with the agenda.**
- **Treasurer – The petty cash fund will be included in future agendas.**

Discussion on New Captain and Co-Captain Training – Debbie would like to put together training for new captains and co captains.

- **Action Item:**

- **President – Debbie will prepare training for new captains and co-captains.**

Committee Assignments –

Competition Committee – the Chair must be the VP and needs a Co-Chair. The goal is to have a good number of Captains on it. We need returning captains because we need tribal knowledge. Seay Anne, Suzie, Kyle, Peggy, Delia and Kay will be on the committee.

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Communications – The Secretary is the chair of that committee and Cindy will also assist.

Kick Off Party – Gayle and Jan

Tee Gifts – Paula and Peggy

By-Laws – Debbie and Barb will assist to help make changes to the By-Laws.

Rules - Beth and Kay

Pro Am - Mary Hewitt and Trisha Cooper

Logistics – Restaurants, Boards during the tournament - Carol

Strategic Committee – We need to have a separate committee to handle the growth of new country clubs, how to pick teams etc. Debbie will chair this committee along with Terri, Beth and Vicki Schnurr.

- **Action Item:**

- **President - Deb will prepare a draft guideline of the committee and send it to the captains.**

Tournament Chair – We created a Tournament Chair to be a non- playing person in the Tournament. Deb wrote up some bullet points. We will need to address the volunteers, scoring, rules, the Pro's, Pace of Play officials. Deb, Sonya and Kay will work together on this. Deb will have a more formalized plan in August.

- **Action Item:**

- **President – Deb prepared some bullet points and will provide a more formalized plan at the August meeting.**

Open Discussion -

Next Meeting: August 14, 2025, at 4:00pm – 6:00pm @ Fish Hawk Center

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 6: 02 by Jeanne, seconded by SeayAnne.

Approved Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by
Jeanne Cooper