

Ladies Village Cup Monthly Meeting
Fish Hawk Rec Center
August 14, 2025

Attendees:

Debbie Harlan (President/Evans Prairie), Suzie Phillips (Evans Prairie), Pat Golen (Evans Prairie), Connie Glazik-Pierce (Glenview), Paula Boulette (Tierra Del Sol), Seay Anne Sheley (Southern Oaks), Gayle Hazelwood (Cane Garden), Diane Martino (Cane Garden), Kyle Maday (Shallow Creek), Terri Zimmerman (Lopez), Connie Oshry (Mallory Hill), Peggy Pruitt (Orange Blossom), Trisha Cooper (Belle Glade), Terri Tonolli (Belle Glade), Susan Byrne (Treasurer), Jan Snider (Mallory), Carol Smith (Palmer), Connie Quelette (Shallow Creek), Judi Andrews (Hacienda Hills), Corrie Hahn (Hacienda Hills), Karen Knock (Southern Oaks)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm by Debbie Harlan, President

- **Introduction of Captains and Co-Captains.**
- **Approval of the Minutes from May 8, 2025:** A motion was made to accept the May 8, 2025, meeting minutes by Gayle and seconded by Peggy and approved unanimously. The meeting minutes will now include action items.
- **Treasurer's Report** – All expenses are paid to date. There is not a concern with the \$5400 balance. The committee will present recommendations to allocate the funds and vote for approval. The treasurer will review depreciation and amortization expenses in the monthly report.
- **Old Business:** The file for the LVC 2026 Officers, Captains, Co-Captains and Committee member was updated. The President clarified that the color associated with the team is for their shirt. The reason for EP's red/white and Lopez's red/black is because Lopez did not get their color approved through the committee. Captains can pick a color for their team shirts but need to have the color approved through the committee.
- **New Business:**
 - **Discussion on New Captain and Co-Captain Training**
 - The goal is to provide support/training to the Captains and Co-Captain in their new roles. This effort was delayed, and a meeting will be hosted in mid-September.
 - **Debbie will reach out to find a date for the training session within the next week.**
 - **All – Contact Debbie if there is a specific topic that should be included in the session.**

Review of Committee Assignments

- **Competition Committee/Potential Dates/Courses 2026**

The first meeting was held on July 28 (Seay Anne, Sonia, Gayle, Delia and Suzie). The focus was to identify courses for next year and compare them to the courses we have played in the past. We need 27-hole courses. We have limited courses in the North. Lopez is a great choice for golf but has limited space to gather after golf. Cane is a viable option for a mid-course. It will go into the rotation for next year. We have played Bonify and Belle Glade for our Southern courses and Evans Prairie would now be an option. Havana was mentioned as a possible course. It will be included in their recommendations. Palmer did not have enough space after golf, and it would be the same issue with Glenview and Lopez. The other considerations as it relates to the dates are Easter, Senior Games and Golf Fest. Nancy Lopez hosts an event every year at Lopez. They have a huge tent on the grounds for the players. We need to find out if The Villages owns a tent which could possibly open more courses. We could also research having a tent comped for the event.

Initially, the committee gave the potential dates of April 6 & 13 or April 27 & May 4. The meeting with Ken must be scheduled to finalize the courses and dates. Ken typically gives the committee dates in October.

- **Debbie waiting on Ken to return request to schedule a meeting.**

Other top priorities from the survey feedback:

Method for creating 4 ball pairings: Last year we changed it after the pairings were made due to unexpected results. The decision was to convert back to the previous method that worked. This year it will be reviewed to determine if there is a better method.

Pace of Play: It is always a concern, and it will always be a problem. We can strive to manage it better. We may need to have additional touch points on the course. Better communication to team members and education. For example, carry your clubs to the next hole and then put them away.

Formats of Play: A lot of players do not want alternate shot included in the format.

Team Size: The team selection of the lowest 16 handicaps may not be the best method. We need to think about if the captains should have more involvement with choosing the players. Proposals will be presented and then voted upon. The focus will be on inclusivity and fairness.

Interaction with Spectators: Educate the players on the USGA competition guidelines. We need clarification when a player is late for their tee time in all formats.

Timing of Registration: Teri met the person who created the Men's Village Cup website. It includes a merchant account that allows players to pay directly to the site.

- **Teri will schedule a meeting for us to meet him and discuss our site.**

Tee Gift Discussion: Gayle motioned to move forward with the tee gifts. Seay Anne second the motion and the vote was 12 in favor and two teams were missing (Havana and Bonifay). The next topic was to discuss the budget for the tee gifts. A discussion was held on increasing the amount of the tee gift. Kyle motioned to move forward with the tee gift amount of \$20 and Teri second the motion. There were 10 yes votes and Judi Andrews and Paula voted nay. A gift card to use at the restaurant was a suggestion. If that is approved, we may want to reach out to the restaurant to support our players with an in-kind donation to add to the gift card. It was also suggested we work with the pro shop to give "good reward" certificates to the players as part of their tee gift.

50/50 Raffle Discussion (Donate X % to Charity): Players want to know what the committee is doing with the 50/50 raffle money. Players may be more generous if they knew the charity. If we give to a charity, we could increase the 50/50 to three in lieu of the 2 from last year. Suggestions were made to give to local school golf programs, scholarships to local schools, First Tee. It was mentioned if the Pros don't want to participate in the Pro-Am, we could have the local schools golf coaches participate. This would be a great opportunity for the students too as well as a great opportunity for us to give back to the community. The next step is for everyone to give it more thought and vote at the next meeting.

- **Suzie will discuss with her contact and get more information regarding the local High School scholarship program.**
- **All - Bring ideas for charities to the next meeting and think about what percentage we want to go towards the charity.**
- **Debbie is going to reach out to Cindy Globush to confirm she oversees the raffles.**

Communication Committee: The focus of the committee is to get the players moved from Facebook to the LVC website. The website will be the resource the player can find any information needed for the event i.e., registration, pairings, results, how to get involved, learn about the committee, training, tips, survey results, what we are doing with the survey results, committee position descriptions etc. A meeting will be

schedule with the new contact from the Men's Village Cup to determine if we need a new site or can purchase an upgrade to GoDaddy. The Facebook account will become private to avoid scams.

- Debbie and Pat will identify what is needed to make the Facebook account private.

Strategic Committee: A meeting was held with Debbie, Beth, Teri and Vicki Schnurr. The vision is to maintain our core values/integrity. The committee identified the facts that cannot be changed i.e., dates, tee times, courses, morning tee times, pace of play, 18-hole courses and we can't get all teams on the same 9 holes concurrently. New training and a video were introduced last year for pace of play. It was suggested we give ideas to the players. The good golf school will be contacted to determine if we can use their video for training.

- Peggy will find out from the good golf school if we can use their video for training.

The committee is also tasked with looking at the future growth especially when or if we add new teams. Does that change the format, create two divisions, how do we pick teams? We need to ensure that we continue to be involved from the players and volunteers to continue to feed our committees and captain pipelines with experience.

The committee is going to work toward making the survey questions more consistent year to year to gain data that can be used to make better decisions. What is more important – growth and inclusivity or keeping the tournament together at one venue. Ideas for picking teams while maintaining integrity will ensure we bring in new players. How do we ensure all captains follow their responsibilities equally. Some players mentioned they did not hear from their captains. The biggest task to accomplish is to let captains be captains. They should focus on working with their team. The captain should not lead the committee they should become a liaison and the other members on the committee should lead the effort and get more involved. There are a lot of players who could be helpful but are not being asked to join a committee.

Captains Classic: Carol is working on finalizing the course for the event. It will be a 4-ball tournament. Same as last year. If she can't get Palmer, she may try an 18-hole course. The date is Oct 2. The fee for the game will be a few dollars with an extra dollar for a prize!

- All – At the next meeting provide Carol with the name of the players who will participate in the Captains Classic.

Open Discussion: Sonia is not playing next year and will oversee all the volunteers. Debbie will have the minutes to the captains within 2 weeks of the date of the meeting.

Next Meeting: September 25, 2025, at Seabreeze. Debbie will confirm the location. If you can't attend, send a representative.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm by Gayle and seconded by Suzie.

Approved Unanimously.