**DECEMBER 2019 MGA BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING SYNOPSIS**

**MGA Membership** :

* No new updates due to issues with the new ClubCorp billing system but still estimate at least 340+ members.

**2020 MGA Board Elections:**

* Congratulations to the new members voted to the MGA Board:
  + Barry Sinclair
  + Joe Gourley.

**MGA Cup** (March 28th)

* The Top 35 players with the most points for 2019 have been determined. These players will be sent a congratulatory letter with an invitation to play in this tournament.
* Members selected have until Jan. 15th to respond to the letter to let us know if they are going to play in the tournament.

**2020 MGA Membership**

* All current members have until **January 31st** to cancel their MGA membership for 2020 or they will automatically be billed the full amount.

**Tournament Re-Caps:**

* No problems or complaints from either the Turkey Shoot or Front Tee Fiasco.

**NEW Tournament Flighting System!!**

* As a result of months of discussion and based on the results from a Mock Flighting of the most recent Turkey Shoot tournament the MGA Board has adopted a proposal by the Handicap Committee to flight all future tournaments based on a player’s course handicap instead of by tee box.
* As a result of this change, players with similar course handicaps will compete in the same flight regardless of which tee box they play from.
* Starting in January, when signing up for a tournament the tee boxes for each player will be **assigned** based on which tees they’ve played from the most during the year to establish their handicap. For example, if a majority of your scores used to establish your handicap are from the Gold tees you will be assigned to play from the Gold tees. You won’t be allowed to play the tournament from the Blue or White tees.
* This new flighting will also eliminate the Age + Handicap requirement for playing from the White tees.
* The Handicap Committee will be sending out a notice to the MGA explaining all these new changes.

**10-Stroke Difference in Handicap Rule for 2-man tournaments:**

* We will be keeping the difference in handicaps between each player to 10 strokes for all 2-man team tournaments (except the Member-Member).

**Handicap Committee:**

Handicap Adjustments

* Beginning in January the committee may have to adjust a player’s handicap before a tournament. If the past 24-month of tournament scores are significantly different from the past 12-month scores from a player’s weekly rounds then these players may be subject to a handicap adjustment.
* Before the adjustment is made these players will be getting an email from the committee asking for an explanation. If the member does not respond to the email or does not give an adequate explanation for the difference then their handicap will be adjusted.

Tournament Disqualification Criteria

* Starting with the first tournament in January the following omissions from your scorecard will be grounds for disqualification:
* **No** gross score recorded for each hole – a player will be disqualified.
* **No** player’s and attester’s signature on the scorecard – a player will be disqualified.

**Report From the Clubs:**

The Golf Trails

* Winter projects: Chop down some more weeds to make the course more playable. Will mow down rough area left of the fairway on Oaks #1 before the sand traps to make it easier to find golf balls and prevent the loss of range balls that accumulate in this area.
* Put down some chemical application to eliminate the abnormal grass growth on the greens. A system will be put into place to continue to try and prevent future growth.
* Panther #18 left side of green will be re-done to eliminate the sand trap.

Lake Windcrest

* LW cart path between #10 & #11 cart path still being worked on by the club – original contractor was fired.
* Weeds around course still being treated aggressively. However, the “goose grass” is still a recurring problem.

**A New Clock!**

* Due to the inability to repair the current clock located between the putting green and driving range the MGA has been given permission to donate a new large clock to be mounted on the wall of the clubhouse facing the putting green and driving range.
* This new clock will be known as “Bob’s Clock” due to the tireless efforts (some would say complainings) of Bob Brisson to get a permanently working time-piece so all golfers can make their tee time, on time!