

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 01/05/08

Present: Vic Shellenberg, George Elbert, David Marquez, John Christenson, Gary Davis, Mike Duggan, Steve Pasadis, Jeff Goering, Wayne Thompson & Tony Conrardy

Absent: Bob Andrews, Jim Gordon & Ralph Thomas

Call to Order: 7:10 AM by Vic

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: George reported on his efforts at the Bank of America to transfer his duties as Treasurer to David. There turns out to be certain requirements that the bank has requested, among them a list of the Officers of the Club. They are as follows as of 01/08:

- President-Vic Shellenberg, 2831 Creekside Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95405
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- Vice President-Stephen Pasadis, 7317 Rassmussen Way, Rohnert Park, CA 94928
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- Treasurer-David Marquez, 3113 Carvel Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95405
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- Secretary-John Christenson, 5013 Rincon Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95409
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It should also be noted that George Elbert retired from his post as Treasurer, effective 01/08 and David Marquez was duly elected to the position by majority vote of the Board.

George also noted that, in his conversations with the B of A representative, he discovered that the bank did not really hold to our stated policy of having 2 signatures for checks over \$500. He will revisit this issue with the bank and request that our policy be followed.

We have \$3,502.30 in the CD and \$44,131.31 in the checking account for total of \$47,633.61. We also have 10, \$40 gift cards left over from this year's Ham Shoot.

George has also completed this year's (2007) taxes and completed the paperwork necessary for our non-profit status.

David was authorized to buy the latest edition of Quicken for this upcoming year.

Publicity: Steve complimented everyone on a successful stuffing party and reiterated that we should keep under consideration the 2 options for an event next December-a past and present Board members dinner or an awards banquet.

He has posted the entirety of the yearly mailer on line.

NCGA: No report.

Membership: No report.

Tournaments: The Skins Game next week will tee off from 8:00 to 10:00.

Gary again asked that the Board members sign up along with the prepaids for the tournaments for next year with their respective groups so that he can have a better handle on who's playing when. The Board need not pay in advance, just commit to the tournament.

Gary also said that this year, once he turns the tee times into the Pro Shop, members who fail to show up or wish to cancel will be fined. This is our stated policy and this year, he wants to stick to it. After some discussion, the consensus of the Board was positive to this approach. Again, if a

member signs up for a tournament, he is obligated to pay all fees germane to that tournament once the times are set with the Pro Shop.

Old Business: Steve once again brought up the idea of mentoring replacement Board members for the jobs crucial to running the Club. There is tentative progress on this.

New Business: Vic reported that he has been approached by various members with regards to having a separate fight during the tournaments for players who wish to use the white tees. This idea sparked spirited discussions, followed by several inconclusive votes on different avenues to approach this. Eventually, it was decided that, since this is why we have a handicap system after all, we will continue with our current practice of using white tees for the NCGA events and any other time that Gary feels the conditions warrant it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 02/02/08

Present: Vic Shellenberg, David Marquez, John Christenson, Gary Davis, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering, Bob Andrews, Jim Gordon, Wayne Thompson & Tony Conrardy

Absent: Steve Pasadis & Ralph Thomas

Call to Order: 7:05 AM by Vic, followed by a sales presentation by Frank Simpson, representing an organization named "International Pairs", a new tournament format that looks to expanding its' representation by contacting various golf organizations and piggy-backing onto established tournaments. Frank distributed several brochures.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: In his inaugural report, Dave brought up several issues which he wanted to place before the Board:

- At present, since the bank isn't requiring 2 signatures on checks, Dave wanted the Board to realize the exposure it has in regard to this. It was duly noted and the procedure was left unchanged.
- The Club's fiscal and actual years don't correspond, so it is difficult to pin down exactly where the finances are at any given time. In order to help the Boar further understand the situation, he will give accounts payable/receivable reports along with the account balances in the future. The budget for the current year is in progress.
- Dave proposed a limit on the amount of the bar tab generated by the working Directors during tournaments. This was discussed and the Board authorized unanimously the amount of \$25/each.
- We currently have \$3,502.30 in the CD and \$36,416.97 in the checking account, totaling \$39,919.27.

Bob reported that Jim Knego would like the Club to cover his expenses this year for the Pro-Am tournament he plays in with the Club Champion. The Board passed this motion unanimously.

Publicity: No report

NCGA: Bob reported no correspondence has been received lately from the NCGA. He also expressed his desire to resign both from his post as NCGA Chairman and also from the Board. We thanked him for his service.

Membership: No report.

Tournaments: The 4 Man Scramble next week has 24 foursomes and will be played between 8:00 and 11:30.

Gary will publish a notice of all tournament's tee time's schedules with the provision that no variances will be allowed.

Old Business: Jeff brought up the idea of having a first day match play and a second day stroke play for the Club Championship. This was discussed, along with other formats and then tabled for future meetings.

New Business: Ed Dominquez, who had been observing the meeting, volunteered to join the Board. He was voted in by acclamation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 03/01/08

Present: Vic Shellenberg, Steve Pasadis, John Christenson, Gary Davis, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering, Bob Andrews, Jim Gordon, Ed Dominquez, Wayne Thompson & Ralph Thomas. Elliott Funk sat in as an observer.

Absent: David Marquez & Tony Conrardy

Call to Order: 7:05 AM by Vic.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Although Dave had to leave before the meeting due to prior commitments, he left the following reports. We have \$3,502.30 in the CD and \$41,927.75 in the checking account for a total of \$45,430.05. Our accounts receivables for the month were \$4,855.00 and the accounts payable were \$4,304.22 for a net gain of \$550.78.

Dave wants all fines to be directed to Ralph for deposit. He can then note the fines on the vouchers and Dave can disburse the resultant amounts.

Publicity: No report

NCGA: Vic has the dates for the Zone meetings, should anyone wish to attend. With Bob's retirement, no one now occupies the NCGA/Handicap Chairman's post. Jeff volunteered and his offer was quickly accepted by the Board.

Membership: We have 650 members, +/-.

Tournaments: The 2 Man Scramble next week has 142 players with a 7:30 start. Gary announced that four players are going to the Zone 4 Man 2 Best Ball tournament. He noted that one of the qualifiers from BV had previously qualified for the Zone at Oakmont and had decided to play under their auspices. His place will be taken by a substitute selected by the qualifying foursome. This situation, the Board decided, could lead to some abuses. After much discussion, it was moved and seconded that, should a player who has qualified previously at another Club enter one of our NCGA qualification tournaments, he would be deemed ineligible to qualify under BVGC auspices and, should the tournament be a 2 Man or 4 Man event, the team would also be ineligible to advance. Should a player qualify at another Club after a BVGC event and choose to go as a representative of that Club, a substitute would initially be drawn from the 1st runner up group. Failing that, the qualifying foursome may select a player of their choice. This motion, after further discussion, was passed.

Wayne noted a problem with the scoring of last tournament. A few players were listed as NH, so their trends were used for scoring. This led to a discussion on cutoff dates for membership, should a player suffer a lapse. It was decided unanimously that the cut off date for renewals and subsequent continuation of handicapping be 12/31 of any particular year, since dues are encouraged to be paid starting in October.

Old Business: There was no interest in the International Pairs tournament format that was presented to the Board at the last meeting,

New Business: Vic reported that the Legends Restaurant had given him a quote of \$14.25/head for the August Shotgun Tournament. For this, we would get chicken, ribs, salads and ice tea. This quote was accepted by the Board. Vic also noted that the quote for the St. Patrick's Day tournament was for 11.25/head for a corned beef and cabbage buffet, even though the facility would be offering the general public a buffet at a substantially lower rate. The Board decided to shelve the meal for this year and perhaps pursue a shotgun tournament for next year to more easily accommodate the meal and perhaps negotiate a better deal.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club
Meeting 04/05/08

Present: Vic Shellenberg, Steve Pasadis, John Christenson, Gary Davis, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering, Jim Gordon, David Marquez, Wayne Thompson & Tony Conrardy. Elliott Funk was voted onto the Board by acclimation.

Absent: Ed Dominquez & Ralph Thomas

Call to Order: 7:05 AM by Vic.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$3,502.30 in the CD and \$38,522.75 in the checking account for a total of \$42,025.05. Our accounts receivables for the month were \$830.00 and the accounts payable were \$4,235.00 in tournament payouts for a net loss of \$3,405.00.

Dave received a package from the USGA that included a DVD covering various topics, a schedule of USGA Tournaments and the latest edition of the Decisions on the Rules of Golf. It will be deposited in our file cabinet for future use, if necessary.

Publicity: Steve reported that the website is current and that it receives an average of 80-90 hits/day. He also commended one of the players in the last tournament who, upon realizing that his team had been awarded by error second place instead of the seventh place they actually held, notified Steve of the discrepancy. Honesty prevails.

NCGA: Vic announced that this upcoming Zone meeting will be held at Edgewood in South Lake Tahoe. It will be (or probably have been) limited to the first 64 applications. Jeff did some research on the maximum handicap requirements for the NCGA tournaments and discovered that the maximum was 18.4 Index, not handicap, in the eyes of the NCGA. After contacting them, he presented to the Board the alternative of using the index, rather than handicap, for the limiting factor in NCGA tournaments. The Board decided to keep our limits where they have been and rely solely on a maximum 18 handicap.

Membership: Although Ralph was absent again, he did e-mail Steve and Vic with the report. We in fact have 595 members.

Tournaments: The NCGA Net Amateur will be held next weekend. We have 32 foursomes with tee offs starting at 7:30. Dave and Tony will be working the tournament. Mike once again brought up the option of using the blue tees for this and all other NCTGA qualifying tournaments, based on his feeling that, by using the longer tees, we as a Club would be sending a more competitive team onward to the next levels. There was thoughtful discussion on this and, after weighing the issue, the Board voted to maintain the white tee format for the qualifiers.

Gary suggested strongly that we, as a Board and supposedly an example, should maintain our published pace of play guidelines so that the members who happen to have later tee off times are not burdened with 5 ½ hour rounds. This led to some discussion on pace of play, but the Board, realizing that that horse is still beaten dead, went with Gary's initial recommendation.

Steve wanted to re-establish the procedure for the tournament scoring and payouts, since the post of Treasurer had passed from George to Dave. Dave will drop the check off to the pro shop during the following week. It was also suggested that the results, which are now hand delivered back to Steve with the computer after the final scoring has been completed, now be transmitted to him via the Internet and the computer be picked up from the course at a more convenient time. There was some trepidation voiced about this method. Steve will look into it.

Old Business: None

New Business: Dave wanted to know if the Board wished to take advantage of the opportunity to have a plaque made by the USGA for a small fee denoting our membership in the organization. The Board opted not to make the purchase.

Steve wanted to make sure that the Board arrives at a decision at the next meeting regarding the format for the Club Championship. The Board decided that this was timely and that at the next meeting this issue will be resolved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club
Meeting 06/07/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, John Christenson, Elliott Funk, Mike Duggan, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, Ed Dominquez & Tony Conrardy.

Absent: Vic Shellenberg, Gary Davis, Jeff Goering, Jim Gordon, & Wayne Thompson

Call to Order: 7:05 AM by Steve.

Minutes: There was a question regarding the motion from last month regarding incorrect scorecards and the potential of disqualification. Steve provided the relevant NCGA rule; only the player who signed an incorrect scorecard would be disqualified, not both players. After this discussion, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$0.00 in the CD and \$17,555.98 in the checking account. The funds which were in the CD went into a interest maximizer account, which now holds \$23,627.21, for a total of \$41,183.19. No accounts receivable or payable reports were given. Dave stated that the state taxes had been paid. Elliott offered to help Dave reconcile the accounts. Dave quickly accepted. Dave also reported an occasional discrepancy in the post tournament payout amounts. Noting the infrequent senior moment, Steve asked Dave to cross check.

Publicity: Steve has posted the scorecard rules on the website (see above). Ralph voiced some concerns regarding our efforts to go paperless in the future, especially regarding our need to have a more formal ISP, such as Sonic, in order to not hamstring Steve. The Board discussed the need to prep the members long before we switch and to that end, Ralph will see if we can get a list of all the members' e-mail addresses from the NCGA. There was also a discussion on the need to set up a subcommittee to help ease the transition.

NCGA: No report

Membership: Ralph estimated that we have around 650 members.

Tournaments: No report.

Old Business: Tony brought up the question of the Club Championship format. Two options were discussed: Match play on the first day, with the remaining half of the field playing stroke the following day and a system based on the Grand Prix points as qualifier, a la the Fedex Cup. After some discussion, a motion was made to adopt the first option for this year. It carried unanimously.

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:05

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club
Meeting 07/05/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, Gary Davis, Jim Gordon, John Christenson, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, & Wayne Thompson.

Absent: Vic Shellenberg, Elliott Funk, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering, Ed Dominquez & Tony Conrardy

Call to Order: 7:05 AM by Steve.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$11,086.98 in the checking account and \$23,627.21 in the interest maximizer account for a total of \$34,714.19.

Dave submitted several other reports, including a year-to-date cash flow, a current spending vs. average spending for last month and a year-to-date cash flow comparison of this year to last. Dave also had heard a rumor from a member that we had not locked up the Shotgun meal with Legends and he expressed concern over this. After some discussion, which included the belief of several of the Board members that Vic had reserved the date and cost, Gary volunteered to confirm our reservations with the banquet coordinator. On that note, the Board decided to appoint Vic *in absentia* as our negotiator for the next Dues Breakfast, since he had done such a fine job, we hoped, with the barbeque.

Publicity: Steve is in the process of contacting Sonic to take over the server duties for the website. Hopefully this can be completed soon.

NCGA: No report

Membership: Ralph estimated that we have around 650 members, still, but that could change with the half-year members coming on board.

Tournaments: The two day 2 man better ball tournament will be held 7/12-7/13. Tony & Jim will work Saturday and Vic & Gary will work Sunday.

Gary reported that one of the members had petitioned him to return his prepaid fees for the June tournament due to his having a broken ankle. This exception to our rule was approved by the Board unanimously.

There was a review of the Club Championship format that had been put in place at last month's meeting for the benefit of the members who had been absent. The Championship flight will be played at scratch and the handicapped flights will be at 50%. There was also confirmation of the entry requirements to the Club Championship, based upon the 6-4 vote held at last October's meeting. There was also further discussion, which was tabled for the future, on the question of the pro shop signing up players to fill spots on the day of the tournament.

Old Business: None

New Business: The idea for a one man scramble tournament was brought up, due to the advertising that the NCGA is doing over the internet. This was met with little enthusiasm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 08/02/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, Gary Davis, Jim Gordon, John Christenson, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, Vic Shellenberg, Elliott Funk, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering, Ed Dominquez & Wayne Thompson.

Absent: Tony Conrardy

Call to Order: 7:02 AM by Vic.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$7,009.78 in the checking account and \$23,627.21 in the interest maximizer account for a total of \$30,646.99.

Dave submitted a report detailing cash flow from 10/07 until the present. It shows the Club to be \$7,708.57 to the good as of the 1st of August. He will also make the deposit for the Shotgun barbeque to the restaurant. Elliot and he will work this month on reconciliation of our accounts.

Publicity: Steve still hasn't been able to contact Sonic regarding our ISP requirements.

NCGA: Jeff was notified that the Club will have to send a representative to the handicap seminar within the next year.

Membership: Ralph reported that we have 665 members, counting the ½ year subscriptions to date. He also can retrieve the e-mail addresses of the members from the computer in the pro shop, so that we will be able to start communicating directly with members via the internet for our mailings. When we do set the account up with Sonic, Steve will research how we can do this without getting filtered out into spam or junk e-mail filters.

Tournaments: The annual Shotgun/Barbeque tournament is next up on the 16th. We have 73 groups—all holes except for 3 par 3's will be filled. Participants need to be ready to go by 7:00 AM. The pro shop will provide range balls. There was decided to not offer a raffle this year.

Old Business: Steve wanted to revisit the eligibility requirements for the Club Championship that were put into place at last October's meeting. This led to a rather spirited discussion covering, among other points, the obligation of having to audit all the participants to make sure that they had participated in the required 3 BV tournaments during their previous year. Some present, justifiably, opted out of this duty. It was noted that some Club members, aware of the 3 tournament requirement, are actively trying to meet that prerequisite prior to the Club Championship. Some are not. It was also suggested that it be publicized in something other than the official minutes, since there is probably little attention given to them by the membership at large. There was also some discussion about the Board sticking to their decisions once they have been made. In the end, the question of who would do the audit, which will have to be conducted after the Shotgun tournament, was not finalized before the issue was tabled for the present. Steve also brought up the yearly question of the Board member elections. Vic and John will research who is up for election—it being a while since they were conducted—and report back at next month's meeting, where the issue can be discussed in more depth.

New Business: The Board received a letter from the NCGA, asking for support for the NCGA Foundation, which helps Junior Golf statewide. This was greeted with little enthusiasm, since we as a Club support our local Junior Golf programs in a number of ways.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 09/06/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, Gary Davis, Jim Gordon, John Christenson, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, Vic Shellenberg, Elliott Funk, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering & Ed Dominquez

Absent: Tony Conrardy & Wayne Thompson.

Call to Order: 7:00 AM by Vic.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$13,629.03 in the checking account and \$10,127.21 in the interest maximizer account for a total of \$23,756.24.

Dave also reported on our cash flow this year vs. last, as well as our account total from last year at this time. We have roughly \$1,600 less this year. Elliott and he will be meeting this month to reconcile the accounts.

Dave also asked the Board for permission to donate \$100 to the fundraiser for the Gospel Mission. This was approved unanimously.

Publicity: Steve has posted the notification of the election on the website. Vic and John reported on the past history and where we stand in the rotation. It was agreed upon to push the election this year back a month, closing nomination on 9/26 and closing the voting on 10/17.

NCGA: We haven't yet received notification this year of a dues increase from the NCGA.

Membership: Ralph reported that we have 652 actual members. He also has included a notice to the membership on the yearly invoices regarding our move to a paperless mailer this year. Each member will be asked for their e-mail address to facilitate the change.

The Dues Breakfast was touched upon, but it was decided to take it up under New Business.

Tournaments: Gary passed out the dates for the 2009 tournaments. He said that Marshall McDonald and Wayne Hofer will be representing the Club at Poppy Hills and George Trejo and Mike Powers will be doing the same at Poppy Hills. There will be 6 players at next month's qualifier.

The Club Championship will be held the weekend of 9/13-9/14. There are 8 players entered into the Championship flight.

Old Business: None

New Business: John brought up the subject of the quality of service, food, et al of the new restaurant, since they have been open for a year and there had been numerous opinions voiced regarding these issues. This led to a wide-ranging discussion, from the point of it being so much better than what we had in the past to the fact that it seems to be more in tune with catering to the outside public than it is with serving the golfing community to the surprisingly poor quality of food and service (Twins most definitely excluded) to what the Board should be expecting from the restaurant management in the future. In the end, it was decided that Vic will voice these concerns when he approaches Margo regarding future events and perhaps they will listen to our suggestions.

Ralph and Steve have been in communication with the operator of a website that manages numerous golf clubs like ours. For a set up and maintenance fee, the site can manage tournaments, track handicaps, offer social contact, etc. It was decided that Ralph will set up a conference call with the operator and all interested Board members can tune into a web-based demonstration.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 10/04/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, Gary Davis, Jim Gordon, John Christenson, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, Vic Shellenberg, Tony Conrardy, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering, Wayne Thompson & Ed Dominquez

Absent: Elliott Funk

Call to Order: 7:07 AM by Vic.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$10,217.24 in the checking account and \$10,127.21 in the interest maximizer account for a total of \$20,344.45.

Dave and Elliott have reconciled the accounts, finding that, over the length of their survey, the accounting came up with a debit of \$1,300 +/- . Still, the fact remains that we have a balance of \$20K and a projected out flow of around \$6K. This gives rise to a question regarding our non-profit status. More review on this will be needed.

Publicity: Steve reported Steve Stroessler's nomination from the membership. He will call and see if, in fact, Steve S is interested. More will be known next month.

NCGA: Jeff has received the handicap manual from the NCGA. Jeff is reviewing the NCGA's policy on internet posting. Also, Gary said that, at a recent NCGA event, one of the officials mentioned to him that the local clubs have front line responsibility for sandbagging control of their membership. The NCGA only steps in after the local club lets it go too long.

Membership: The invoices have been mailed and the checks are starting to come in.

Tournaments: There will be 160 players in the NCGA 4 Ball tournament. At Bob Borowitz's suggestion, teams will be started from both the front and back nines in 2 batches throughout the day. Hopefully, this will allow all participants to be able to complete their rounds before dark. There was a suggestion that we turn it into a 2 day event, starting half the field on Saturday and half on Sunday, but this was met with some resistance from Board members. There was also the suggestion that we limit the field as we have 3 this year with the Club Championship by requiring a 3 tournament minimum requirement. The discussion was tabled for future meetings.

New Business: Vic will negotiate with Legends for the Dues Breakfast, hopefully getting a buffet breakfast that's within our budget. Vic did mention that the City was getting an earful from other groups about the same concerns that we have had.

The Golf Fusion web based service was discussed, leading to the request on the members who participated in the call-in demonstration to request a bit more information. Ralph will e-mail the links to the site so that the members can visit at their leisure and then come to a side meeting to decide whether or not to involve ourselves.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 11/01/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, Gary Davis, Elliott Funk, John Christenson, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, Vic Shellenberg, Tony Conrardy, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering & Wayne Thompson

Absent: Jim Gordon & Ed Dominquez

Call to Order: 7:10 AM by Vic.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$19,518.82 in the checking account and \$10,127.21 in the interest maximizer account for a total of \$29,646.03.

Dave noted that the money is coming in for the next year's members. He also released a cash flow comparison report with the same time period as last year. We are over \$14K ahead.

Since no agreement could be met with Legends for the Dues Breakfast, he purchased \$10 gift certificates which will be handed out to the tournament participants.

There was a suggestion that it was time for a budget meeting, but no date was set. Also, Elliot will review the tax code, but he didn't feel that our non-profit status was threatened by our having a surplus of funds.

Publicity: Steve reported that, for some reason, the website vanished recently and was replaced by one from England. Before this, however, we managed to garner 23 voters in the on line election. All the present board members who were up for reelection were returned, thereby filling up the required number of seats. There followed a discussion about the number of board members we have presently, which led to talks about revisiting the by laws in general. It was voted on to set up a committee to review the by laws. Elliott will chair, with input from Steve and any other volunteer.

NCGA: There still is some confusion on the part of the NCGA-the information needs to come to Jeff and the bills to Dave.

There was a discussion regarding our responsibilities regarding controlling our members handicaps. For the past several years, we have fallen back on the NCGA's policing of suspected sandbaggers. Given Gary's recent conversations with NCGA officials, some of the board expressed a desire for us to become more proactive in this pursuit. It was suggested that, if there could be better tools for data analysis, perhaps we could clean up our own act in a better fashion. John has had conversations with Club members on this subject and he suggested that the more computer literate people on the Board could get together to investigate what would be possible. The discussion was tabled for the time being.

Membership: Ralph reported 322 re-ups, which is standard for this time of year.

Tournaments: There will be 128 players in the Dues Breakfast. The format will be individual stroke play. Mike and Jim are the Directors.

The scratch flight came up for discussion, since it is coming to the end of the 2 year trial period previously voted on by the Board. After discussion, it was agreed that, for

whatever reason, the enticements we put out to gather more scratch players into the Club has not worked. It was proposed that we eliminate the scratch flight all together, but that option was voted down. A further proposal to keep the scratch flight, but bring the payouts in line with the other flights, was passed unanimously.

As far as the NCGA tournament scheduling for next year, it was suggested that we limit the field to 160 and schedule the tee times as we did for the last NCGA tournament: front and back tees in 2 waves. This is contingent on approval by the Pro Shop.

Vic will continue to negotiate with Legends for our next year's Shotgun, Dues Breakfast and St. Patrick's Day tournaments.

Old Business: The Golf Fusion website came up for review, but Ralph and Steve reported that the NCGA had a portion of their program devoted to much the same benefits as is offered by Golf Fusion. Not much is known, however, because the person in charge of the NCGA site is unavailable until the following week. With this in mind, it was decided to forego Golf Fusion until more is know about the NCGA service. For this year, after some discussion, it was decided to simply mail out post cards to the membership, notifying them that the pre-pay forms, etc. are available on the BV website for downloading. Should members not have internet service, it would be incumbent upon them to find a way-through a friend, a library or any other means-to get the forms.

New Business: None that was recorded.

Minutes suspended at 10:00

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary

Bennett Valley Golf Club

Meeting 12/06/08

Present: Steve Pasadis, Gary Davis, Elliott Funk, John Christenson, David Marquez, Ralph Thomas, Jim Gordon, Ed Dominquez, Tony Conrardy, Mike Duggan, Jeff Goering & Wayne Thompson

Absent: Vic Shellenberg

Call to Order: 7:05 AM by Steve.

Minutes: Were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$32,992.84 in the checking account and \$10,127.21 in the interest maximizer account for a total of \$43,110.05. All the gift cards for the 2 shoots were purchased. We should have enough for the Ham Shoot left. Preliminary talk began for a budget meeting to take place after the bulk of the revenues are received in mid-February.

Publicity: Steve reported that the website has returned from its' cyber journey and seems to be fine. The web-based prepay forms for next year's tournaments will hit the site on 12/17 at Noon. All links for downloading, reading and printing will be available throughout the site. Elliott and Steve are on track to review and update the bylaws. They will then bring their recommendations to the Board for review and implementation.

NCGA: Jeff has accessed the roster of all the members through the GHIN website. He now has the ability to monitor members' scores at all courses. Jeff and Gary will review the NCGA qualifiers to make sure that the NCGA hasn't changed dates and that we still are in line with their schedule.

Membership: Ralph reported 500+/- re-ups, 20 or so of which are new members. This follows where we were last year.

Tournaments: The Ham Shoot will tee off at 8:00 and go until 9:37 with 13 foursomes. With regard to next year's tournaments, Gary asked that the Board members commit to their tee times as they did last year, so that he can make up the early times on the tournament sheets with confidence.

The final results of the Gran Prix standings were announced. Aragon and Hecht tied for 1st place and split the prize money.

Elliott has received the Tournament Pairings Program (TPP) from the NCGA. We still don't have enough access to the eClubhouse site in order to judge the NCGA based programs, which are free, against Golf Fusion. According to Elliott, the NCGA will launch a series of integration upgrades over the course of the next year that will lead to a more user friendly format. We will continue to monitor this progress, since we do want some form of tournament administrative program in place before 2010.

Old Business: The handicap monitoring that was discussed last month was brought to the table. Jeff noted, as he had in his report, that he will be able to do this task when he reviews members'

score through the GHIN website. Some discussion followed with the final thoughts being that the first things that we can do is to make sure that the members post a "T" for their tournament scores, thereby making sure that their scores are entered into the system properly.

New Business: Dave suggested that, in order to combat slow play, we request that the members record on their scorecards their actual tee off times for the 1st and 10th holes, as well as the time when they completed the 18th hole. That way, we could review the times of all the participants and post them, hopefully letting peer pressure act upon the slower players. There was discussion about this and general agreement that it was a good idea, but it remained unresolved when the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Christenson, Secretary