### MGA-CC General Membership Minutes 18 January 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 5:00 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the December general membership meeting was accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Bob Costanzo reported that there are currently 115 paid members. The upcoming Par 3 tournament resulted in 14 members renewing/joining the MGA-CC. The organization currently has a balance of \$1,547.40. A complete breakdown of the financial register is posted on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. The treasurer's report was accepted and approved.

**Club report** – Mike DiPasquale reported that the tree removal project is finished and that stump grinding and clean-up will begin in early February. Some of the greens will be aerated, using a "fine-toothed" aerator. Once again, Mike reminded members to repair ball marks on the greens and to use the green sand to repair divots.

**Inter-Club Captain --** President Ray Naramore explained that Andrew Wilson has been the captain of the Cedar Creek Inter-Club Team over the past few years and has expressed a desire to allow someone else to assume that position for the up-coming year. Ray commended Andrew for an excellent job over the years as team captain. Ray then asked if anyone would be interested in becoming team captain for 2011. Since nobody volunteered, Ray said he would send out an email soliciting a team captain for 2011. Hopefully, someone will take over to lead a very competitive Cedar Creek Inter-Club Team. Mike D said he would contact local clubs for 2011 participation.

**Golf Trivia** -- President Naramore conducted a golf trivia. The following members each won \$1 for correctly answering some tuff trivia questions: Bob Leith, Paul Pecoraro, Don Lund, Craig Ellis, and Mike D.

**Dog Fight Computer Status** – Mickey Collins reported that the dog fight computer crashed and he has provided his own lap top to use until an appropriate replacement computer is up and running. He said that Bob Costanzo found a used desk top computer that is currently being refurbished and should be ready by the end of this week. The MGA-CC purchased this computer for \$149. Tim Burcroff offered to donate a flat screen monitor, if one is needed.

**January Par 3 Event** – Paul Pecoraro stated that there are 64 players signed-up for the Par 3 tournament, scheduled for Saturday, January 22. He is planning to have 4 flights. There will be a payout for low gross and low net for each flight. Handicaps will be ½ of a player's handicap index. There will be 4 closest to the pin payouts and there will be a \$60 pot to be split by all who get hole-in-ones. In addition to the 64 men, the ladies will also playing their own par 3 tournament at the same time. Men will use blue tees and women will use red tees. Total yardage for the tournament is 2,049 yards. Paul says some of the tee placements will be tricky.

**Rules of Golf** – Once again, Bill Robinson gave an excellent presentation on the Rules of Golf. This time, Bill addressed Rule 27 – Ball lost or out-of-bounds, and Rule 28 – Ball unplayable. His presentation was in the form of questions and answers, as follows:

#### Ball Lost or Out-of-Bounds

What is "stroke and distance"? Under penalty of one stroke, playing a ball as nearly as possible at the spot from which the original ball was last played.

When <u>must</u> you incur the stroke and distance penalty? *If the ball is lost or out-of-bounds*.

When is a ball lost? When it isn't found or identified by the player within 5-minutes, or when another ball has been put in play.

When do the 5 minutes start? When the player arrives at the spot where the ball is suspected to be.

Are there any exceptions? Yes, if it is known or virtually certain that the ball that has not been found: is in an obstruction or abnormal ground condition, the player may proceed under the applicable Rule, or has been moved by an outside agency, or is in a water hazard, the player must proceed under the applicable Rule.

Players A and B hit their tee shots into the same area. Both balls were found, but both players were playing identical balls and neither had put an identification mark on his ball. They could not determine which was A's and which was B's. What is the ruling? *Since neither player could identify a ball as his, both balls are considered lost.* 

A player's ball is lodged high in a tree. He can see a ball in the tree, but he cannot identify it as his. Is it lost? *Yes*.

A player's ball is lodged high in a tree. He identifies it with binoculars, but he cannot retrieve it. Is it lost? *No. Since the ball was identified, it was not lost. The player may invoke the unplayable ball Rule.* 

A player plays his second shot, searches for his ball briefly and then goes back to the spot of the previous stroke and drops another ball. Before he makes a stroke at the dropped ball, and within the 5 minute search period, his original ball is found. May he play the original ball? When he put the substituted ball in play at the spot of the previous stroke with the intent to play under stroke and distance penalty, the original ball was lost.

A player plays his tee shot, searches for his ball briefly and then goes back to the teeing ground and tees another ball. Before he makes a stroke at the teed ball, and within the 5 minute search period, his original ball is found. May he play the original ball? Yes. The teed ball was not a "ball in play" since the player had not made a stroke at it, and the original ball was not lost.

### Ball Unplayable - Rule 28

Who may deem a player's ball unplayable? *The Player* 

Can he be over-ruled or challenged? No

May he deem it unplayable anywhere on the course? *Anywhere except in a water hazard*.

How many options does he have if he deems his ball unplayable? *Three, and all entail a penalty stroke* 

What are they?

- a. Play a ball from the spot of the last stroke
- b. Drop a ball behind the point where the ball lay, keeping that point between the hole and the spot where the ball is dropped
- c. Drop a ball within two club-lengths of the spot where the ball lay but not nearer the hole

What if the ball is deemed unplayable in a bunker? *If he chooses options b. or c., he must drop the ball in the bunker*:

May he clean his ball? Yes

May he substitute a ball? Yes

A player deemed his ball unplayable and, under Rule 28c, dropped his ball within two clublengths of the spot where it lay. The ball came to rest in the original position or another position at which it was unplayable. What is the ruling? The ball was in play when it was dropped – see Rule 20-4. Thus the player must again invoke the unplayable ball Rule, incurring an additional penalty stroke unless he decides to play the ball as it lies.

A player's ball strikes a rock and bounces farther away from the hole than the spot from which the stroke was played. The player deems the ball unplayable. May he invoke the stroke-and-distance option of Rule 28? *Yes*.

Bill concluded his presentation with a brief question and answer period.

**Other Business** -- President Ray Naramore stated that members can play in MGA-CC tournaments, without participating or paying for prize money. Ray asked if there was any questions or concerns. None were offered.

**Raffle Drawing** – Dick Gillette won the raffle drawing. This month, the raffle was a \$30.00 gift certificate good for anything at the Cedar Creek Golf Club Pro Shop, including range balls, golf cart fees, clothes, equipment, etc...

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

#### MGA-CC General Membership Minutes

#### 8 February 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:00 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the January general membership meeting was accepted and approved.

Membership/Financial Report – Bob Costanzo reported that there are currently 118 paid members, an increase of three since the last meeting. The organization currently has a balance of \$1,389.41, which reflects revenue from the new members' dues, as well as expenditures for the new dogfight computer, and gift certificates.

Thank-you to Marty Katz -- The MGA-CC recognized the work that Marty Katz has done over the years with the computer and software used for the Dogfight Tournaments by giving him a gift certificate to enjoy dinner at the Casa Bella restaurant. Thank-you Marty, for a job well done.

Hosting for Silver Bluff HS Golf Team -- The MGA-CC has agreed to act as host for the Silver Bluff HS golf tournament at Cedar Creek on May 3rd. We are seeking volunteers to drive the players from hole number two to hole number three. We will also provide snacks and drinks for the players. Please let one of the Board members know if you are willing to volunteer.

Club report – Mike DiPasquale reported that Cedar Creek will once again be sponsoring the "Hook a Kid on Golf" project. Volunteers will be needed to help with this event on June 6 – 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Contact Mike if you are willing to volunteer. Mike also announced that Masters Week Tee times will be available to members beginning March 1st. With the exception of last year, the Crystal Cup has always taken place in the spring. Discussions are currently underway to set a date for this year's Crystal Cup Tournament. Also, Mike is working with the MGA-CC to have a tournament in April. He has marked April 16th as a tentative date for the tournament.

Inter-Club Captain -- Andrew Wilson has agreed to once again serve as the captain of the Cedar Creek Inter-Club Team, with the help of Don Kasper. Hopefully, after a successful year, Don will be ready to serve as captain next year. Thank-you Andrew and Don for taking on the responsibilities. Good Luck for the upcoming season.

Golf Trivia -- President Naramore conducted a golf trivia. The following members each won \$1 for correctly answering some tuff trivia questions: Alan Conway, John Turner, Ken Brace, and Earl Bennett.

Forest Hills Golf tournament -- The February MGA-CC golf tournament will be held at Forest Hills Golf Club on Thursday, February 24, with a 10:00 am shotgun start. The cost will be \$40--- \$30 greens fee and \$10 prize money. The format is each team will count the three best net

scores for each hole. A maximum gross score will be 6 on the par threes and 9 for all other holes. More details will be forthcoming in an e-mail. To enter, place your check (payable to the MGA-CC) in the MGA-CC box at the sales office, or give it to Ray Naramore.

Possible 3-Day Tournament – Ben Peppard announced he is currently working on plans to have a 3-day tournament in late September. Play would begin on Monday at Cobblestone, then on Wednesday at Indian Trails, with the finals at Cedar Creek on Saturday. There would be winners and payouts for the Monday and Wednesday events. The winners of each flight on Saturday would be the total scores of the three days. In order to proceed, Ben ask the membership if they would be willing to participate in such an event. By a show of hands, the majority of the memberships indicated that they would be willing to participate and that Ben should continue to plan such an event.

MGA-CC Traveling Trophy -- Bob Kisler was awarded the MGA-CC Traveling Trophy for being the overall winner of the recent Par 3 tournament. Bob accepted the award and hopes it will stay with him for a while.

Other Business -- Ken Brace stated that he is working with Mike Close to update and make the MGA-CC web site easier to access. He is looking to post the results of our tournaments, as well as announce upcoming events. One of the members suggested that once the web site is updated and running, perhaps the Cedar Creek Pro Shop could utilize it to announce frost delays, wet conditions, etc., in order to cut down or eliminate the need to make a phone call in the early mornings.

President Ray Naramore asked if there were any other questions or concerns. None were offered.

Raffle Drawing – Ken Sabol and Tim Burcroft won the raffle drawing. This month, each person won a \$15.00 gift certificate good for anything at the Cedar Creek Golf Club Pro Shop, including range balls, golf cart fees, clothes, equipment, etc...

Dr. Andrew Hopkins Presentation -- Dr. Hopkins gave an excellent presentation on how to stretch and prepare the body before playing a round of golf. He discussed the importance of stretching and demonstrated how to perform the stretching exercises. He provided handouts that included the information he presented in his slide show. He also explained how he evaluates patients for Chiropractic care. He stayed after the meeting was adjourned to answer specific questions and concerns of the membership.

Meeting was adjourned.

# **MGA-CC General Membership Minutes**

#### 8 March 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:00 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the February 8 general membership meeting was accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Bob Costanzo reported that there are currently 120 paid members, an increase of two since the last meeting. The organization currently has a balance of \$1,329.41.

**Club report** – Mike DiPasquale was not at the meeting, but sent word that there was nothing new to report since the last meeting.

**Hosting for Silver Bluff HS Golf Team --** The MGA-CC has agreed to host the Silver Bluff HS golf tournament at Cedar Creek on May 3rd. We are seeking volunteers to drive the players from hole number two to hole number three. We will also provide snacks and drinks for the players. Please let one of the Board members know if you are willing to volunteer.

**Donation to the Silver Bluff HS Golf Team --** President Naramore announced that the MGA-CC will continue the tradition of donating \$250 to the Silver Bluff Golf Team. The MGA-CC plans to have a golf outing with the HS team like last year. The donation will be presented to the team at the event.

Applewood golf tournament – Dean Wood announced that registration is still open for the upcoming tournament to be played at Applewood Golf Course, March 24 at 9:30 am. Cost is \$30 for event participants includes greens fee, cart and prize money or \$20 for casual round players (greens fee and cart only) Make checks payable to MGA-CC and submit to Dean Wood, Mike Lesick or drop off at the sales office in the box on the inside table. Deadline for sign-up is COB Monday, March 21st. The game will be individual net off Cedar Creek or other USGA certified handicaps in two divisions -- member tees and senior tees, provided we have at least 12 member tee players. Otherwise, all will play from the senior tees and it will be flighted accordingly. Applicants must specify tees with the entry. If tees are not specified with the application, there will be a 3-stroke reduction in handicap. There will also be an optional skins game using net scores at \$5/man without distinction as to tee. Money for the skins game will be taken at Applewood prior to play. Do NOT submit skins game money with your entry fee.

**Up-coming Tournaments -- Paul** Pecoraro stated that he is putting together the final touches for a June 30 tournament to be played at Aiken Golf Course. It will be \$36 to play for prizes or \$26 for casual play. There are also plans to hold the July tourney at Point South. Details to come.

**Dog Fight News** -- Volunteers are needed to collect the money for the dog fights. To keep the dog fights going strong, members are encouraged to add their names to the list of money collectors. See any of the Board members, or Mickey Collins if you can help.

**Golf Trivia** -- President Naramore conducted a golf trivia. The following members each won \$1 (beer money) for correctly answering some tuff (?) trivia questions: Greg Pasco (2), John Turner, Ken Brace, and Dean Wood.

**Other Business** -- Ken Brace stated that Mike Close has established a link from the Cedar Creek web site to the MGA-CC web site. Look for the results of MGA-CC tournaments, as well as a calendar of upcoming events.

President Ray Naramore asked if there were any other questions or concerns. None were offered.

**Stan Byrdy Presentation** – Mr. Byrdy gave an excellent presentation on golfing in Augusta and Aiken during golf's golden age. Mr Byrdy showed the group a variety of pictures showing the development of Augusta National, as well as the beginnings of golf in the Aiken/Augusta area. He followed his presentation by showing the first part of a DVD video that he developed. Mr Byrdy has served as golf analyst for WJBF-TV in Augusta, for "Masters Reports." He stayed after the meeting to answer questions and he offered the DVD and his book, "The Augusta National golf Club" to members at a discount price. Mr Byrdy also offered one of his DVD's for the raffle drawing.

**Raffle Drawing** – Dave King won the Stan Byrdy DVD. Don Kasper and Ward Welch each won a \$15.00 gift certificate good for anything at the Cedar Creek Golf Club Pro Shop, including range balls, golf cart fees, clothes, equipment, etc...

Meeting was adjourned.

## MGA-CC General Membership Minutes April 12, 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:15 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club. There was a 15 minute delay to allow time for CSRA Senior players to return from their outing at Forest Hills.

The Minutes of the January general membership meeting were accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Ray Naramore filled in for Bob Costanzo. With the addition of Tom Ebert the membership stands at 121. The current balance in our account is \$1289.41 vs a balance last month of 1329.41. We have had income of \$10.00 and expenditures of \$50.00 during the month. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report.

**News from the Course** - There was no news from the course since Mike DePasquale was not in attendance.

**Applewood Tournament Wrap-Up** – Dean Wood gave a report on the Applewood Tournament. It was a success and Dean said we should go there again.

**Cobblestone Tournament -** Our next tournament is at Cobblestone on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. We will be playing the Black and Garnet courses. The cost is \$45.00 including the \$10.00 prize fee. More details are attached to this report as well as driving directions.

**Golf Trivia** - President Naramore conducted a golf trivia contest featuring all Masters related questions. Two questions were not able to be answered by those in attendance so the \$2.00 went to the tip jar at the bar.

**Three Day Golf tournament** – Ben Peppard announced the details of the Three Day Tournament to be held on Monday October 17th, Wednesday October 19th, and Friday October 21st. On the 17th we will play at Cobblestone, on the 19th at Aiken, and on the 21st Cedar Creek. Additional details are attached to this report.

**Questions/Discussions/Comments -** Ray asked if there were any other questions or comments. None were offered. Ray mentioned that you can go on line at Masters.com to get in the lottery for 2012 tickets. He also reminded players that there is a maximum time of 5 minutes to look for a lost ball.

**Putting Contest** – Ray explained the rules of the 6 hole, par 12 putting contest to all participants. With strings delineating each hole any ball landing outside the strings will cost an additional stroke. Play the ball where it stopped even if it is outside the strings. The lowest three scores will be the winners with the lowest being 1st place etc.. In case of ties a sudden death playoff will determine the winners. Ken Brace was the 1st place winner with a score of 15. Following close behind in second was Terry Eckert and 3rd was Dick Gaul. Congratuations to all the winners!!

#### Meeting was adjourned

Ken Brace/Ray Naramore – filling in for Jim Wilson

#### **MGA Minutes**

#### May 10, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 4:01 by President Ray Naramore

- A. News from the Course Mike D.
  - 1. Small Tine Aeration will occur on May 23 and 24
  - 2. The work on the pond on #3 should be complete within about a week. It will include landscaping and a fountain.
  - 3. The number 4 green should be repaired completely by early June
  - 4. June 16 is available for an MGA Event if desired
  - 5. Silver Tees are now in use on the course and a green course of about 4500 is in process. Thanks to Dawn Hunkele for all her work on the new tees.
  - 6. Questions about the sprinkler system malfunction and the lack of rough on the course were brought up. Mike will look into the progress being made.
- B. April Minutes were approved.
- C. Treasurers Report Bob Costanzo Current membership is 121. Balance in account is \$1,146.53. Expenditures this past month were \$30 for putting contest gift certificates and \$112.18 for food and drink at the High School Regional Golf Tournament.
- D. Cobblestone Tournament Update Ken Sabol and Ben Peppard The next MGA Tournament will be a Stableford format at Cobblestone on May 16. It is a 9:30 shotgun affair with 44 current participants (18 member tee players and 26 senior tee players).
- E. Silver Bluff –Cedar Creek Scramble Ray Naramore The MGA will sponsor a scramble event with the Silver Bluff Golf Team on Thursday May 12. Contact Ray if you would like to play. Each player will contribute \$5 towards food and drink to follow the match. Dean Wood will provide a trophy.
- F. The putting contest for this month ended in a three way tie between Andrew Wilson, Don Lund and Ken Brace for 1st place. Winning score was 14.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Ken Brace

## **MGA-CC General Membership Minutes**

#### 14 June 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:10 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the May general membership meeting were accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – President Naramore filled in for vacationing Bob Costanzo and reported that there are currently 121 paid members. The organization currently has a balance of \$856.53. This includes expenditures for last month's door prizes \$30 and a \$40 donation to help defray food costs for the "hook a kid on golf" program.

**Club report** – Mike DiPasquale was not at the meeting, but sent word that they will be working on the greens on holes #6 and #7. Also, they will be performing aerification on all the greens the first full week of July. They are pleased with the new sod installed on the two damaged areas on #4 green. Please remember to repair ball marks on the greens and use sand to repair divots made in the fairways.

**Cobblestone Tournament** – Ben Peppard reported that the Cobblestone tournament had a great turnout and was a success. He looks forward to going back there in October as part of the 3day MGA-CC tournament.

**Up-coming Tournaments** -- Paul Pecoraro reported the June MGA tournament will take place on Thursday June, 30th at the Aiken Golf Club, with a 9:30 AM shotgun start. The format will be a 4-person team event utilizing the Stableford/Dogfight scoring. Targets will be based on each player's handicap index for the tees selected. The game will be total points per foursome based on the team's target. Prizes will be awarded for the best four team scores, closest to the pin shots, and a special prize for the "Longest Shot Holed". Teams will be arranged by the tournament committee to ensure competitive balance. The fee of \$36, (\$26 for casual rounds) is due by June 22nd to Paul Pecoraro. Bob Costanzo, or to the MGA box located in the Cedar Creek Sales Office. Checks should be made payable to **MGA-CC**.

Ben Peppard reported that the 3-day tournament will take place October 17, 19 and 21 at 9:30. Cobblestone will be played on Monday, Aiken Golf Club will be played on Wednesday, and the final round will be played at Cedar Creek. If there is inclement weather on any of the scheduled dates, play will take place on the following day.

Dean Wood reported that he is finalizing the August tournament. It will be held at the Ponderosa Golf Course on August 25, with a 9:00 shotgun start. Cost will be \$35 or \$25 for casual play. He also will have information about going to Sheally's BBQ after the tournament for good food and fellowship.

There are also plans to hold the July tourney at Point South, July 21 @ 9:00. More details to come.

President Ray Naramore asked if there were any other questions or concerns. None were offered.

Meeting was adjourned.

# MGA-CC General Membership Minutes 12 July 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:25 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club. The late start was due to the premeeting "shoot-out" competition.

The Minutes of the June general membership meeting were accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Bob Costanzo reported that there are currently 121 paid members. The organization currently has a balance of \$860.64.

**Aiken MGA Tournament** – The Aiken tournament had 32 players participate, with the team of Ellis, Englhardt, Stein and Lupfer taking first place.

**Up-coming Tournaments** – The next tournament will be at Point South Golf Club in Augusta on July 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be a shotgun start beginning at 9:00 AM. The format will be as follows: Each team will be assigned by the tournament directors and will consist of an A, B, C, and D player based on handicaps. On the par 5's the best ball net score will be used from the A & C player and the B & D player. The total of those two scores will be counted for the hole. On the par 3's the best ball net score will be used from the A & D player and the B & C player. The total of those two scores will be counted for the hole. On the par 4's the best 3 net scores will be totaled and be used for each hole. There will be closest to the pin. Cost is \$30 or \$20 for casual play.

On August 25, there will be a tournament at the Ponderosa Golf Course beginning at 9:00 am. The format is 2-man better-ball. First 40 people to sign-up will play. Cost will be \$35 or \$25 for casual play. Dean Woods hopes everyone will have BBQ afterwards at Sheally's BBQ.

**Inter-Club results:** Andrew Wilson reported that the Cedar Creek Inter-club team won its' first match 31 ½ to 22 ½ at Cobblestone against a team from Monroe CC in North Carolina. The next match will be at home against Stoney Point.

**New Business:** Ben Peppard made a suggestion to permit anyone who signs-up as a new member for year 2012, be allowed to play in the September/October events, since renewals will begin in September. No decision was made at this meeting.

President Ray Naramore asked if there were any other questions or concerns. None were offered.

"Shoot Out" Results: Before the general meeting, a shoot-out took place for any member wanting to participate. A shoot out, for those of you who don't know, consists of playing a hole with the highest scoring player being eliminated. If all scores or more than one score is highest there will be a putt off on that hole. The player with the putt farthest from the hole will be eliminated. The remaining players proceed to the next hole and repeat the process. The last remaining player will be the winner for that group. The winners of each group will divide the prize money (high stakes \$5 per player) equally. There was a foursome for both white and black tees.

Andrew Wilson took the prize for the white tee group and Jim Wilson took the prize for the black tee group. Mike DiPasquale (black tee player) wants a rematch.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

# MGA-CC General Membership Meeting Minutes 9 August 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:00 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the July general membership meeting was accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Jim Wilson filled in for Bob Costanzo and reported that we gained two more members since the last meeting, giving us 123 paid members. The organization currently has a balance of \$881.64. The financial report was accepted and approved.

Club report – Ricky Sullivan reported that the course is in good condition. The aerification holes on the greens should all be filled in by this weekend. He said that sign-up sheets for the upcoming tournaments are available for the following tournaments: Club Championship, Crystal Cup, Rally for the Cure, and the Patriot Tournament.

Rates for the club dues will be posted by the end of the month. The club is currently working on 5 to 6 different rate schedules for membership.

**Point South golf tournament wrap** – President Naramore reported that the Point South tourney was a success. 35 golfers participated, with the winning team consisting of Bill Todd, Paul Sheiman, Jim Tomlin, and Joe DePalermo. 46% of the players received a pay-out.

**Up-coming Tournaments** -- Dean Wood reported that the next tournament will be played at the Ponderosa Golf Course on Thursday, August 25 at 9:00 am. The format is 2-man better- ball. The tournament is limited to the first 40 people to sign-up. Cost will be \$35 or \$25 for casual play. The deadline for signing up is Monday, August 22.

Dean also reported that the Mended Hearts Organization/Aiken Regional Medical Center is hosting a tournament to be held at The Reserve/Woodside sometime in September. The cost per player is \$60 and it includes lunch and gifts. The format is 4-player team – captain's choice. Dean will pass along the email to all members so that teams can be formed to support a good cause.

Paul Pecoraro announced that the September tournament will be held at Mount Vintage on September 15th. The format will be individual golf, low net. The cost will be \$50 or \$40 for casual play. More details to come.

"Rules of Golf" Presentation -- Bill Robinson gave an excellent presentation on Stroke Play rules. He discussed the following topics:

- 1. Doubt As to Procedures Playing two balls on a hole when a rules question cannot be resolved. (rule 3-3)
- 2. Order Of Play (rule 10)

- 3. Teeing Ground (rule 11 and 13-2)
- 4. Practice (rule 7)
- 5. Advise (rule 8 and 17-1)
- 6. Score card (rule 6)
- 7. Dropping and Re-Dropping the Ball (rule 20.a) and (rule 20.c)
- 8. The Eraser Rule (rule 20-6)
- 9. Borrowing Equipment (rule D 5-1/5)
- 10. Cleaning the Golf Ball (rule 21)

Rally For the Cure Drawing – A drawing was held to see who will represent the MGA-CC in the Rally for the Cure Tournament. The players will be: Greg Pasco, Raymond Smith, Bill Fink, and Dean Wood. In case one of the players cannot play, the alternates (in order to sub) will be: Jim Wilson, Art Sotak, Ray Goelz, and Chuck Scarton.

**Board Members for Next Year --** President Naramore asked if anyone would be interested in serving on the Board for the upcoming year. Anyone wishing to serve on the board is encouraged to submit their name to one of the current board members before the September meeting.

President Naramore asked if there were any questions or comments. None were offered.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00.

# **MGA-CC General Membership Minutes**

#### 13 September 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by Vice President Ken Brace at 4:05 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the August general membership meeting was accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Bob Costanzo reported that there is no change in membership (123 members) since the last meeting. The organization currently has a balance of \$456.64. This reflects expenses for sponsoring a hole for the "Rally for the Cure" - \$250; Cost for the MGA-CC team - \$100; and \$75 for the individual that will play the bag pipes for the memorial. We only anticipate one more additional expense of \$75 for flowers for the memorial. The financial report was accepted and approved.

**Club report** – VP Brace (reporting for Mike D.) announced that everyone should have received their new fee schedule for the 2011/2012 membership year. The course is in good shape, but they are currently having mechanical problems with the ball retriever for the range.

**Up-coming Tournaments** -- Paul Pecoraro announced that there is a change of date for the September - Mount Vintage tournament. It will now be held on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. The format will be straight-up golf. Currently, there are 10 players signed-up to play. See Paul if you are not signed-up and want to play.

Ben Peppard reports that the October Tri-Course Tournament is still a go. The format will be individual net score with three Flights, one member flight and two senior flights. Need to have at least a minimum of 40 players for each day. A player may play one or more dates. There will be a payout for all three days. When you submit your payment, please include what tees you will be playing and if you want to be paired with someone.

Some players want to play only part of the 3 day tournament, so we have developed a menu to choose from. The cost with prize money will be as follows.

Monday - Cobblestone \$45 Wednesday - Aiken \$40

Friday – Cedar Creek Non-members of C.C. \$40

Members with cart plan \$10 Members without cart plan \$28

Players playing all 3 days of the tournament will pay:

Non-member of C.C. \$115 Members with cart plan \$85 Members with out cart plan \$103

Ladies from Cedar Creek are invited to join us for the three day event, but they will play their own game and have their own flight. There will be rain dates if needed.

The "Rally for the Cure" Tournament Team that the MGA-CC is sponsoring has had one person drop out. The next person on the stand-by list from the August drawing is Jim Wilson. The Team will now consist of: Greg Pasco, Bill Fink, Jim Wilson, and Dean Wood.

In case one of the players cannot play, the alternates in order to sub will be: Art Sotak, Ray Goelz, and Chuck Scarton.

Prior to the start of the Crystal Cup, the MGA-CC will hold a memorial service for the Cedar Creek golfers that have passed through. It will be at the 7<sup>th</sup> green starting at 8:00 am. The piper will play a call to order, followed by the golfer's prayer and a brief prayer for the residents. There will be a "tolling of the bell" for each golfer that has passed through. The piper will play to close the ceremony. We hope to have a great turnout.

VP Ken Brace opened the floor for nominations for Officers for the 2011/2012 Board of Directors. He stated that the current Tournament Directors have agreed to continue for another year. President Ray Naramore, Vice President Ken Brace, and Treasurer Jim Wilson have also agreed to continue at their same positions for another year. Bob Costanzo has decided to step down as Treasurer. Don Kasper was nominated from the floor as a candidate for treasurer. VP Brace asked if there were any more nominations for the position of treasurer or any of the other positions. There were none. An election was held and Don Kasper was elected to the Board as Treasurer. It was also unanimous to elect the individuals that will serve for another year in their current position. The new Board of Directors for the 2011/2012 year will be:

President: Ray Naramore Vice President: Ken Brace Secretary: Jim Wilson Treasurer: Don Kasper

VP Brace asked if there were any other questions or comments. None were offered.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

# MG-CC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES 11 October 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:01pm in the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

**Introduction** – The officers and board members for 2011-2012 were introduced. President-Ray Naramore, V.P.- Ken Brace, Treasurer-Don Kasper, Secretary-Jim Wilson. Board members: Dave King, Roger Mutch, Ben Peppard, Ken Sabol, Dean Wood.

The Minutes of the September meeting were approved.

**Treasurers Report** – Don Kasper reported that we gained 8 new members at the meeting and currently have a balance of 716.39 in our account. Dues are now being accepted and remain \$10 for the year.

**News from the Course** – The membership drive at the course went smoothly. The Happy Hour for this month has been move to October 19. All tee boxes except the Gold will be over-seeded, along with the hill on number 2 and the fairway on number 12. Number 12 will be cart path only for a few days.

**October 3 Day Tournament** – Ben Peppard reported that the tournament had 32 players signed up. The Woman's Golf Association will be contacted to see if they plan to be involved. Ben led a discussion concerning prize money distribution. Various members offered suggestions. Details were finalized following the meeting by Ben, Ray Naramore and Don Kasper.

**Sammy Hawkins Tournament** – A sign up sheet is in the pro shop for the Oct. 29 Tournament. Men should ask a women to join them for the 2 person best ball event.

**Tournament Calendar** – The next MGA Tournament will be held in December and is being organized by Dave King and Ken Brace. Details to follow.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:32pm

Submitted by Ken Brace

# MGA-CC General Membership Minutes 8 November 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:05 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the October general membership meeting was accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Don Kasper reported that there are currently 82 paid members. The organization currently has a balance of \$1,163.39. The financial report was accepted and approved.

**Club report** – President Naramore (reporting for Mike D.) announced that Cedar Creek now allows the use of pull-carts after 1:00 pm. Also, Mike is in the process of getting a new printer, so that members will be able to get handicap cards printed.

**Up-coming Tournaments** – Ken Brace and Dave King are working on a December tournament. Ken floated two options for the members to consider. Option 1- A tournament at Fort Gordon on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7. Option 2 – A 20-hole tournament at Woodside's Hollow Creek course. After some discussion by the members, it was decided to have the December tournament at Fort Gordon. It is tentatively scheduled to begin at 10:00 on Wednesday, December 7. Price will be \$30.00. More information will be forthcoming.

The January tournament will be the 20-hole tournament at Woodside's Hollow Creek course. The date has not been set.

February will be the Par-3 tournament at Cedar Creek. March will be at Point South. June will be at Cobblestone. July and August tournament locations have not been determined. The last week of September has been reserved for another 3-day tournament.

**New Business:** President Naramore announced that the box for dropping off checks for tournaments or dues has been moved from the sales office to the Cedar Creek Golf Club. The box is located in the closet behind the counter in the pro shop. Just ask at the desk and the Pro Shop Staff will show you where it is. Hopefully, this move will make it more convenient for most of our members.

President Naramore suggested that the Tournament Directors be compensated for their work by exempting them from paying prize money for the tournament they are putting together. He wanted to know if anyone had any issues with this idea.

Greg Pasco suggested that this be announced to the full membership and voted on at the next meeting. He thought that the full membership should be provided with this information and given the opportunity to attend the next meeting and vote on the proposal.

After a lively discussion and questions by the members present, Mr. Pasco made a motion to vote on the following proposal: A Tournament Director is exempt from paying the \$10.00 prize fund fee for the tournament he is running, if he elects to do so. Mr. Pecoraro seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a margin of 9 to 5, with a few members abstaining.

VP Ken Brace and Jim Wilson brought up an issue that some members had voiced objections to some of the golfers playing in MGA-CC tournaments without a verifiable handicap. It was acknowledged that this oversight had happened in one of the previous tournaments, but would not happen again.

President Naramore asked if there were any other questions or comments. None were offered. Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

# MGA-CC General Membership Minutes 13 December 2011

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ray Naramore at 4:05 p.m. in the restaurant area at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

The Minutes of the November general membership meeting were accepted and approved.

**Membership/Financial Report** – Don Kasper reported that there are currently 92 paid members. The organization currently has a balance of \$1,413.39. There are no outstanding bills to be paid. The financial report was accepted and approved.

**Club report** – President Naramore did not have anything from Mike D. to report. Greg Pasco reported that at the last Advisory Group Meeting, the group was advised that starting in April, Tuesday's dogfight would no longer be a shotgun start. Instead, there will be scheduled tee times. The reason given is that the shotgun start interferes with course maintenance.

Golf Club Donations to Silver Bluff HS -- President Naramore announced that he and Jerry Platt went to Jerry's church to get some used golf clubs that were left over from a church yard sale. The coach at Silver Bluff HS indicated that he could use any and all golf equipment that we can provide. Naramore estimated that they got more than 600 clubs, along with 8 bags, which were delivered to the High School.

**Web Site Status** -- President Naramore reported that Dave King has updated the MGA web site and made it more user-friendly. Check for up-coming tournaments, as well as tournament results. Minutes of the meetings will also be on the web site.

Ben Peppard reported that Gary Hawley recently underwent Colon surgery. We all hope he has a quick recovery. Someone asked if we could get a card or flowers to send to him. Peppard was given the task to follow-up on the suggestion.

**Tournament Results** – The tournament at Gordon Lakes had 31 participants. All went well until the second nine when the wind and rain hampered play. Some of the participants chose not to finish, but most persevered and finished the round. First flight had Byron Vanier in 1<sup>st</sup> place and Don Kasper in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The Second flight had Clark Sharpless in 1<sup>st</sup>, followed by Ted Lawrence in 2<sup>nd</sup>. The full results can be found on the web site.

**Up-coming Tournaments** – The January tournament will be a 20-hole tournament at Woodside's Hollow Creek course. The date is January 23<sup>rd</sup> with a 10:00 am start time. The tournament will conclude at the Red Bowl Restaurant, where the MGA-CC has reserved the back room. A buffet lunch will be available at a nominal cost. All prize money will be distributed at the restaurant. The tentative format is that everyone will play 20 holes and choose two holes to throw out.

February will be the Par-3 tournament at Cedar Creek.

**New Business:** President Naramore asked if there was any new business. None was offered.

Naramore solicited suggestions to get more participation at the monthly meetings. Jim Wilson suggested that the starting time of the meetings be changed to 2:45 pm, so that the people playing in the dogfight would be available. Speaking from experience, he contends that many go home and fall asleep. Paul Pecoraro suggested that we have an open bar. He said that in the early days of the old association, there was an open bar. Bill Steinle suggested that a sign be put on the club's bulletin board announcing the date and time of the meetings. Ken Brace suggested that we hold the meetings every quarter, not every month.

Naramore said he would review all of the suggestions and come up with a plan for the next meeting.

White Elephant Gift Exchange -- In the announcement for the meeting, members were encouraged to bring a small gag gift (golf related) for an anonymous gift exchange. Ken Brace headed-up the effort and all had a good time. There were some unusual golf gifts. My guess is that there may be some re-gifting in the near future.

President Naramore asked if there were any other questions or comments. None were offered. Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.