

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
January 14, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the December 2013 meeting were approved.

Don Kasper gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 105 members
- Current balance is \$1380.35

Recent expenses included \$40 for a new flag for the Club's flagpole. The flagpole was also donated by the Cedar Creek Golf Association about 10 years ago, so it is fitting that the MGA replace the old flag. A call will be made to the Cedar Creek Marine retirees to retire the old flag and dedicate the new one in accordance with official flag handling regulations.

TIP OF THE DAY:

Golf Pro Kenny Evenson explained how to work the ball away from trouble. He also announced that a new state-of-the-art practice facility would be being built on the driving range and that it is planned to be up and running by the Masters Tournament in April.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- The new practice facility will be in a building on the right hand side of the driving range, approximately where the practice bunker is currently. There will be shaded mats in the building, which will encourage more practice in the hot summer months. A large, new putting green will also be built in this area, which will mimic the greens being planned for the course when green restoration occurs.
- Frank also explained the need for training players how to use the current driving range effectively. Instead of scattering divots over a large area, players are encouraged to simply make a square in one compact area.
- The need to train new or inexperienced golfers in gold etiquette was also discussed. Having signs posted on the range was mentioned as one solution to this issue.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ken Sabol announced details of the Par Three Tournament that will be held on January 18 at Cedar Creek. Details are on the website. Ken Brace announced that the February tournament will be held on Monday, February 17 at the Reserve Club. Fees will be \$45. More details are on the website.

## NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Brace thanked Bill Todd for organizing a work crew to trim encroaching trees and brush away from the cart paths. Individuals who participated were Todd, Jerry Platt, Bob Levitt, Paul Shieman, John Turner, Ray Naramore, Don Kasper, Ken Brace, and Ken Sabol.

Paul Pecoraro announced that the First Tee of Aiken needs junior sets of clubs and that \$60 will buy a complete set. Money for this can be donated at the Cedar Creek Pro Shop.

Bill Todd announced that golfers are still not repairing their ball marks on the greens and suggested that the MGA post a short how-to video about this on the website. Bill Robinson suggested that perhaps the starter or a marshall can brief players on the first tee about the need to fix ball marks and divots.

President Brace then spoke a length about the current state of affairs at the Cedar Creek Golf Club. His primary points were:

- People that live in the Cedar Creek community and play the golf course want better communication from the course ownership. Brace believes that the course will continue to improve under the new greenskeeper and professional staff.
- The sprinkler system is still not working properly, but Gary is still working on it. Brace feels that Gary has taken some unwarranted abuse from some club members.
- Based on comments from the course membership, the course will be softened a bit this spring. The rough will not be as penal as it was in the spring and summer of 2013.
- The atmosphere at the golf course is much improved from the past. Kenny Evenson and Mike D get along very well and Kenny's beginner courses are encouraging more people to play here.
- MGA tournaments are currently based on what the membership has expressed that it wants through the last organizational survey. A new survey will be sent out shortly to see if anything has changed. We need to get more club members involved in the MGA.

Paul Pecoraro commented that the MGA needs to make more of a commitment to the Cedar Creek Golf Course. The course needs money for improvements and we can help the course by playing more tournaments here and by awarding pro shop chits for prizes instead of cash. The meet and greet for Jim McNair held last year was a good start.

Ben Peppard suggested the possibility of holding two events each month, one at Cedar Creek and one at another course.

Dick Gaul commented that if members show a commitment to Jim McNair, he will reciprocate. Many members are willing to put up money to help improve the golf course or help out by doing things on the course.

A general discussion followed about the letter that Mr. McNair sent out to the membership. The general conclusion was that he got the wrong impression about the level of support that he has among the membership and that more clarification and communication is needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
February 11, 2014

Meeting called to order at 4:59 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the January 2014 meeting were approved.

Don Kasper gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 111 members
- Current balance is \$1392.35

Recent expense was \$8.54 for flag markers for the Par 3 tournament. At the meeting, 4 new members joined and increase the current balance by \$40.

President Brace asked the membership to think about what the MGA should do with its treasury balance as the organizations should have a healthy surplus at the end of the fiscal year. Ideas will be entertained at a future meeting.

TIP OF THE DAY:

Golf Pro Kenny Evenson explained how to make a greenside chip off winter lies. He recommended using a hybrid club or using a "hooded" 8 iron.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- The maintenance crew is doing additional clearing of Hole 5 to increase airflow around the green.
- There is still an ongoing problem of golfers not fixing ball marks on the green and filling in divots in the fairways. Beaty urged MGA members to fix any ball marks that they encounter.

Jim Campbell pointed out that the sand bottles on the carts and on the 10th tee are often empty. Consistent refilling of the bottles by maintenance would improve consistent filling of divots.

Ben Peppard also pointed out that the maintenance crew does not consistently shut off equipment when club members are teeing off. This should be a standard protocol.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ken Brace announced details of the tournament that will be held on February 18 at The Reserve Club. Details are on the website.

Terry Eckert announced that the March tournament will be held on March 24 at Hounds Lake. Fee is \$40, including prize money. Start will be 9 am.

#### NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kenny Evenson introduce Stan Selby from the Aiken Golf Club. Stan presented his plan to put together a group of Aiken Golf Club and Cedar Creek Golf Club players for a weekly game at the Aiken Golf Club. Fee would be \$10 plus golf course fees. Discussion ensued as to the feasibility of the idea and about what day of the week would best fit. No conclusions were reached, but several members signed up to participate. More information will be forthcoming.

President Brace put forth a proposal by the Cedar Creek Women's Golf Group that we hold an annual battle of the sexes tournament. This would be men playing against women, not in mixed groups. This is just a proposal to think about and the MGA and the ladies group are open for suggestions about how to stage the event and what format to play. Ideas are needed.

President Brace also announced that an email survey would be going out to MGA members in the near future. The survey will try to discern what factors MGA members deem most important when they decide to play--or not play--in MGA tournaments. It will help tournament directors plan future tournaments.

Ray Naramore spoke about the MGA's support of the Silver Bluff High School Golf Team. The MGA makes an annual donation to the team and will do so again this year. The MGA also offered to help coach the team and volunteers are needed to assist. Dean Wood volunteered to help coach putting and Dick Leach and Bill Robinson volunteered to do swing fittings for team members. Ray will have more information about other tasks at the next MGA meeting, after he speaks with the coach.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

# MGA-CC General Membership Minutes

11 March 2014

The MGA-CC General Membership meeting was called to order by President Ken Brace at 5:00 p.m. in the Grille Room at the Cedar Creek Golf Club.

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

**Membership/Financial Report:** Don Kasper reported that there are currently 116 paid members. The organization currently has a balance of \$1442.31 with no bills scheduled to be paid this month. The financial report was accepted and approved.

**News from the course:**

Frank Beaty reported that it is expected that the front nine will be cleared of debris by this Friday and then it is on to the back nine. Gary is getting ready to begin irrigation of the course.

Gary is looking for volunteers to help pile up small debris so his crew can pick up the piles and remove them from the course. You will need just a rake, no heavy work will be required. The volunteers are needed on Monday, 3/17 at 8:00 AM and again on Tuesday, 3/25 at 8:00 AM. You can just show up on either or both dates.

Jim McNair has stated that Gary is in charge of the clean up – please give him your support.

**Note:** When the Cedar Creek Emergency Management Team needed help, the course was quick to lend saws and other equipment to help clear up trees and other debris to open up roads and driveways.

Dave King showed a video on how to properly use the driving range to minimize excessive divots. It will be posted on the Web Site if you missed it.

**Tip of the Day:**

Kenny Everson gave tips for getting out of both greenside and fairway bunkers. For hitting out of greenside bunkers you will need to hit twice as hard as if you were on the fairway the same distance away from the pin. A tip for hitting out of a fairway bunker you may want to consider using a hybrid vs a long iron if required.

Kenny's clinics for both men and women start this month. Be sure to take advantage of his expertise.

**Houndslake Tournament:**

The tournament will be held on Monday, 3/24 with a 9:00 AM shotgun start. The cost is \$40.00 which includes prize money of \$10.00. It has been decided (contrary to what is posted on the Web) to allow players to submit their own foursomes.

To date there is 21 men and 10 ladies signed up.

**New Business:**

One of our friends and golfing member Steve Van Deren passed away recently. Ken Brace suggested that we give a donation to one of the charities that Steve's family had indicated he wanted.

Don't forget the work days on the course – Monday, 3/17 at 8:00 AM and Tuesday, 3/25 at 8:00 AM.

**Announcements:**

Jim McNair has purchased new furniture for what was the "members room". There is talk of making the room into a pub room with dart boards etc.

Don't forget to post your scores. This makes it fair for both you and your competitors.

**Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ray Naramore

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
April 8, 2014

Meeting called to order at 4:59 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the March 2014 meeting were approved.

Don Kasper gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 121 members
- Current balance is \$1333.31

Recent expenses include: \$50 to St Mary's Church in memory of Steve Van Deren, \$85 for meals for volunteer course clean up crew, and \$14 for new checks.

Projected future expenses include: \$260 for MGA team in the Knights of Columbus Veterans Golf Outing; \$100 donation to Par Fore Parkinsons; \$250 donation to Silver Bluff High School Golf Team; \$40 to Hook a Kid on Golf; and \$160 for flowers and bagpiper at the annual memorial service in September. Projected year end balance is: 523.31.

President Brace asked the membership to think about what the MGA should do with its treasury balance as the organizations should have a healthy surplus at the end of the fiscal year. Ideas will be entertained at a future meeting.

TIP OF THE DAY:

There was no golf tip this month.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course. Beaty thanked the MGA members who assisted in helping clean up debris from the course.

- Pickup crews are working on debris on holes 15, 16, and 17. Seventeen will be the last hole worked on
- The driving range is moving to the top level this week.
- First priority for maintenance this season will be the tee boxes. Some will be rebuilt.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ken Brace gave the results of the March tournament at Hounds Lake. Details are on the website.

Ray Naramore announced that the April tournament will be held on April 17 at Applewood. Fee is \$30, including prize money. There will be an optional skins game. Start will be 9:30 am.

The May tournament will be on May 5 at Cedar Creek. Details are on the website.



Bill Robinson made a presentation of how the rules of golf apply to course conditions after the ice storm. He also pointed out that the USGA now has a website named *Rules of Golf Explained* that helps clarify the rules. The url is [www.usga-rules.com](http://www.usga-rules.com) Dave King will add a link to it from the MGA website.

President Brace announced that the MGA will be donating \$250 to the Silver Bluff Golf Team and that the association would sponsor a 9-hole outing with the team on an afternoon in May. Cost will be \$5.00 plus any golf fees.

He also thanked the Cedar Creek Precision Rake Team, which helped clean up the golf course and announced that Jim McNair and Gary Frazier will be providing a thank you lunch for the group that worked on April 5.

#### NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A team was selected to represent the MGA in the Knights of Columbus Veterans Golf Outing which will be held at Cedar Creek on May 3. The MGA is paying the entry fee for the team. The team members were drawn from a hat containing the names of all MGA members present at the meeting. The team members are: Paul Sheiman, Ben Peppard, Darrell Winefordner, and Bill Robinson, with Ray Naramore, Greg Pasco, Rich Van Dam, and Don Kasper as alternates.

In lieu of sponsoring a team, the MGA will make a \$100 donation to Par Fore Parkinsons.

The Interclub Match Play League is starting up again. Stony Point and Columbia currently have teams and two more teams are needed. Players must have an index of 18 or less to participate.

Ray Naramore asked for volunteers to help in the remodel of the Cedar Creek Grille Room. Volunteers will help remove wallpaper and then repaint the main dining room. Dates for work will be transmitted to those signing up via email.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
May 13, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the April 2014 meeting were approved.

In Don Kasper's absence, Dave King gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 121 members
- Projected year-end balance is \$523.31

TIP OF THE DAY:

Kenny Evenson's tip of the day was to "let the clubs do the work." In most cases, new clubs won't help anyone improve very much. Working on your swing will be more beneficial. He also thanked everyone for helping to maintain the golf course and thanked Ray Naramore for organizing the work crew to repaint the clubhouse dining room.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- Filling in divots on the course and on the driving range continues to be a problem. He urged members to use the sand bottles on the range and on the course to fill divots. MGA has also posted a video on the web site outlining the correct way to use the range.
- The maintenance crew is currently finishing clean up from the ice storm, including trimming of overhanging limbs.
- The course management is currently considering a volunteer "adopt-a-hole" program in which volunteers would check and repair divots, ball marks, etc. More to come on this.

President Brace also mentioned that more snakes than usual have been seen on the course, including copperheads. He urged members to be observant, especially when around the remaining debris piles.

A question from the floor asked if the benches on the driving range could be moved closer to the hitting area. Not sure this is possible, but the idea will be raised with course management.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ray Naramore gave the results of the April tournament at Applewood. Details are on the website.

Dean Wood gave the results of the May tournament at Cedar Creek. Results are posted on the website.

The June tournament will be held on June 26 at Pointe South and the July tournament will be held on July 21 at Mount Vintage. Details for both are on the website.

The Interclub Match Play League is starting up again. Stony Point and Wildwood/Wood Creek are the other teams in the circuit. The response to the call for players has been good and we will field a team in the league. Dean Wood is the non-playing captain of the Aiken/Cedar Creek team. Dean's team will have 6 players from Cedar Creek and 6 players from Aiken Golf Club. All home matches will be at the Aiken Golf Club. More details are on the website.

President Brace announced that the nine-hole outing with the Silver Bluff Golf Team on March 8 was a success and that Miracle Howard won the trophy that the MGA provided.

He also announced that a thank you letter had been received from Par Fore Parkinson's organizer Mike Snug. Thanking the MGA for its donation to the cause.

#### NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Brace announced that the Match Play Tournament for 2014 will be played on November 14-16.

Dave King floated the idea of a holding a Veterans Appreciation Tournament and Festival on or about December 7. This could also be affiliated with the annual Toys for Tots Campaign. This is just in the planning stages, so anyone with ideas or suggestions should contact Dave King. Dave welcomes any and all suggestions.

Dean Wood announced that range bags are continuing to disappear from the driving range. He urged MGA members to be observant of individuals walking off with them.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
June 10, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by Vice-President Frank Beaty.

The Minutes of the May 2014 meeting were approved.

In Don Kasper's absence, Dave King gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 122 members and a balance of \$704.31 in the treasury.
- The only additional projected expenses are \$180 for flowers and bagpiper for the annual Crystal Cup memorial service in September.
- Projected year-end balance is \$523.31
- The MGA donated \$40 to Hook-a-Kid on Golf.

TIP OF THE DAY:

Kenny Evenson's tip of the day was to "attack the inside of the golf ball." Check your divots to see your swing path and adjust accordingly.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- Filling in divots on the course and on the driving range continues to be a problem. He urged members to use the sand bottles on the range and on the course to fill divots.
- Construction has begun on the new training area and new practice green.

OLD BUSINESS:

The June tournament will be held on June 26 at Pointe South and the July tournament will be held on July 21 at Mount Vintage. The fee for Pointe South is \$32 and the fee for Mount Vintage is \$50. Details for both are on the website.

The Wreaths Across America Tournament will be held on June 23 at Houndslake. Fee is \$65, including lunch. Give your checks to Tony Venetz.

The Cedar Creek Golf Club will hold a RED, WHITE, AND BLUE tournament at 9am on July 5. Format will be scramble threesomes with one black tee male player, one gray tee male player, and one silver tee woman player per team. Mike D will arrange the teams based on handicap. Lunch is included.

The MGACC Match Play Tournament will be held on November 14-16, 2014. Limit is 32 players.

NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike Snug, the organizer of Par Fore Parkinsons, thanked all MGA members who played in the very successful event.

There will be another course cleanup day on June 24. Volunteers should gather at the clubhouse at 7:30 am.

The Crystal Cup will be held again this year in September. No firm dates have been set yet.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
July 8, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:03 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the June 2014 meeting were approved.

Don Kasper gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 123 members and a balance of \$714.31 in the treasury.
- The only additional projected expenses are \$160 for flowers and bagpiper for the annual Crystal Cup memorial service in September.
- Projected year-end balance is \$551.31

TIP OF THE DAY:

Kenny Evenson's tip of the day was to accelerate the club through the sand when playing out of greenside bunkers. And when feasible, don't forget about using the putter from the sand.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- The new practice putting green at the driving range is ready for the grass sprigs to be added. The green should be ready in 2 to 3 months. The course will also be putting in new irrigation around all of the putting greens on the course.
- There will be another voluntary work day scheduled when the weather is cooler. More details to come.

OLD BUSINESS:

The July tournament will be held at Mount Vintage on July 21. Details on the website.

The August tournament will be held on August 7 at Forest Hills. This is prior to our next meeting. Details also on the website.

The MGACC Match Play Tournament will be held on November 14-16, 2014. Limit is 32 players.

NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Crystal Cup will be held again this year on September 19 at Cedar Creek.

The MGA's annual 3-day tournament will be held on September 15, 17 and 19. Details are on the MGA website.

The Annual Cedar Creek Club Championship will be held on August 16 and 17

The annual Sammie Hawkins Tournament will be held in October, with a date to be announced.

The Aiken City Championship will be held at the Aiken Golf Club on the first weekend in September.

Bob Kistler requested that we explore reinstating the Bubba Tournament in December.

Bill Todd requested that we investigate whether bare spots on fairways be designated ground under repair.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
August 19, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the July 2014 meeting were approved.

Don Kasper gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 127 members and a balance of \$764.31 in the treasury.
- The only additional projected expenses are \$160 for flowers and bagpiper for the annual Crystal Cup memorial service in September.
- Projected year-end balance is \$604.31

TIP OF THE DAY:

Kenny Evenson's tip of the day was how to hit from green-side heavy rough. Get the club up into the air and leave the wrists cocked.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- The new practice putting green at the driving range has been sanded and mowed already. Construction on the building next to it will commence momentarily.
- The current practice putting green is also in better shape now than it has been all year.
- We still need to encourage people to use the driving range correctly. A suggestion was made to put signs up at the range instructing in correct technique.

OLD BUSINESS:

The results of the July tournament at Mount Vintage and the August tournament at Forest Hills were presented. Details are on the website.

The Crystal Cup will be held this year on September 19 at Cedar Creek. The MGA will again pay for flowers and a bagpiper at the annual memorial service. Dave King is looking for volunteer videographers to video the service from different angles. He will assemble all the videos into a single video to be posted on the website. Call Dave if you can help.

The September tournament is a double-header consisting of a round at Forest Hills on September 15 and a round at the River Club on September 17. Payouts will be made at the October meeting at the Community Center, where refreshments will be served.



Women are also invited to play in the event, but will have a separate tournament and prize fund. All details, including costs, are on the website.

The annual Sammie Hawkins Tournament will be held in October, with a date to be announced.

The MGACC Match Play Tournament will held on November 14-16, 2014. Limit is 32 players.

#### NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Brace thanked the membership for their participation in MGA sanctioned non-golf events and workdays. Over 70 members have participated in these activities.

Nominations are now open and being accepted for the MGA elected positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Volunteer positions are also available in the following areas: tournament directors, assistant tournament directors, computer and technical support, charity programs, and kids events. Those willing to nominate or volunteer should speak to one of the current MGA officers.

Slips of paper and pens were passed around the room with instructions for members to write down the names of any nominees for MGA positions. Current officers will contact any nominee to confirm that they are willing to serve. Members were also asked to write down any ideas for the the betterment of the organization on the slips and give them to President Brace at the end of the meeting.

President Brace announced that he will be making a President's award at the end of the year. All MGA members, except the current officers, are eligible. He wants to hear from the members with nominations for the award.

Bill Todd reiterated the need to fix ball marks on the greens.

The final match of this year's match play tournament will be 18 holes instead of nine.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

**MGA**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**September 9, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 5:00 by President Ken Brace

Meeting Agenda was reviewed

The Minutes of the August 2014 meeting were approved.

Don Kasper gave the Treasurers Report:

- Balance of \$579.31
- Dues for new year are due beginning in October
- Expected expenditures will provide refreshments for 2 day tournament

**NEWS FROM THE COURSE:**

Vice President Frank Beaty reported on current status of the golf course

- Jim McNair sent E-mail to community with an update
- Practice green should be ready in October - Stay off the green sign until then was recommended
- Superintendent still dealing with equipment breakdowns
- Course is improving
- Greens will be over seeded in October
- Work on practice facility has begun

**DOUBLE HEADER TOURNAMENT UPDATE**

- Tournament will be held at the River Club and Forest Hills
- There will be 3 Flights and an overall Winner
- Payouts will be given out at the October 14 meeting which will be held at the Community Center, beginning at 4:00
- Handicap max for all tournaments is 36
- Be sure to post all scores for handicap purposes

## Old Business

- Current Officers were re - elected for the upcoming year -KenBrace - President, Frank Beaty - VP, Don Kasper - Treasurer, Ken Sabol - Secretary
- Those wishing to run for office next year are invited to attend board meetings in preparation for next year
- Tournament Chairs and Active Association Volunteers were recognized and thanked for their service

## NEW BUSINESS

- Details were outlined for the upcoming Memorial Service to be held on Friday September 19 for those Golfers who have "Played Through"
- Members were reminded that a drawing will be held at the October meeting to award 2 members free entry into an upcoming tournament

Meeting adjourned at 5:40

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
October 14, 2014

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm by President Ken Brace.  
The Minutes of the September 2014 meeting were approved.  
Don Kasper gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 36 members and a balance of \$934.061 in the treasury.

TIP OF THE DAY:

There was no tip this month.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- The new practice putting green at the driving range is open. Only chipping is allowed; no pitching.
- The greens have been over seeded and are coming in.
- There will be more aggressive clean-up of the course this winter.
- There is still no final word on the re-do of the course. The owner is waiting to see how much can be accomplished with the money available from the bank.

A vigorous discussion followed the last item. A question was asked whether only the greens can be worked on. Frank replied that a plan is already completed for what is going to be done, and that includes a redesign of parts of the course as well as re-doing the greens. How much money is available is the key to what can be done. Another question concerned moving the current Black Tee boxes on holes 6 and 15. So far the answer is no, as these tee boxes are scheduled for a complete make-over. Another member requested that Jim McNair address the MGA membership about his plans for the course. President Brace answered this question, stating that Mr. McNair will address the membership when he knows for certain exactly what is going to be done. He won't know that until he knows what money is available. On the final point, another MGA member suggested that Mr. McNair get together with some of the MGA members who are retired bankers to get some ideas about loans that might be available and how to go about getting them.

RULES UPDATE:

Bill Robinson went over rules concerning the legal amount of time that can be spent searching for a ball and when and how to hit provisional ball. Once the search for a lost ball commences, a provisional ball cannot be legally hit. The provisional must be declared and hit immediately to be legal, as the object of the rule is to save time.

## OLD BUSINESS:

The results of the September 2-day tournament and prizes to the winners were presented. Details are on the website.

The annual Sammie Hawkins Tournament will be held on October 25. Details are on the website.

The MGACC Match Play Tournament will held on November 14-16, 2014. Limit is 32 players. Details are on the website. The final match will be 18 holes this year.

President Brace explained to the membership that the election of new officers last month had an irregularity that had to be corrected. An MGA officer can only be legally elected to an office for three consecutive terms. It turns out that Don Kasper has already fulfilled three terms as Treasurer and cannot legally serve another consecutive term. A motion was made to have Byron Vanier take over as MGA Treasurer following a short transition period with Don. The motion was seconded and approved and Byron is now the official officeholder.

## NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Brace recognized all of the volunteers who did a wonderful job at the September Memorial Service. Dave King, as usual, did a superb job producing the video of the event. The video was very well-received by the Cedar Creek community. Brace also thanked Brad King, who sang at the event, and the Palmetto Nursery, who has never raised the price of the flowers that are annually placed at the memorial behind the 7th green.

The 2015 Tournament Schedule was released. Details are on the website.

Motions were made and seconded and approved to use MGA funds to purchase a new ice cooler for the golf course, and a new club cleaner for the driving range.

A drawing was held for free entry (green and cart fees) into the winning member's tournament of choice. The winners were: Don Kasper and Ron Yeskey. Additional drawings were made for six more prizes of a free oil change, thanks to Ben Peppard.

President Brace announced that the winners of the first President's Award. For exceptional service the organization, the honorees are Ray Naramore and Dave King.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
November 11, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:02 pm by President Ken Brace.

The Minutes of the October 2014 meeting were approved.

Byron Vanier gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 52 members and a balance of \$1094.06 in the treasury.

TIP OF THE DAY:

Kenny Evenson demonstrated techniques for hitting short chip shots. One key is maintaining one's rhythm.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty updated the current status of the golf course.

- The waste bunkers on holes 13 and 14 have been changed and repaired.
- The course staff will be doing additional clean up operations this winter.
- No new information is yet available about the possible renovation of the course.

RULES UPDATE:

George Montgomery went over the rule differences between stroke play and match play.

OLD BUSINESS:

The annual Sammie Hawkins Tournament, held on October 25, was won by Barry Cox and Barb Armstrong.

The MGACC Match Play Tournament will held on November 14-16, 2014. Limit is 32 players. Details are on the website. The final match will be 18 holes this year, and the MGA will pay the cart fee for participants in the semifinals and finals.

The December tournament will be held at Gordon Lakes on December 11. Cost is \$45 and includes range balls, golf, lunch, and prize money. The format will be straight golf.

The MGA purchased a new ice cooler for the clubhouse and has a new club-washer on order for the driving range.

NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next meeting is on Tuesday, December 9.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary

MGA  
General Membership Meeting  
December 9, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President Ken Brace.  
The Minutes of the November 2014 meeting were approved.  
Byron Vanier gave the Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have 86 members and a balance of \$1352.13 in the treasury.

TIP OF THE DAY:

Kenny was unable to attend the meeting, so no tip was presented.

NEWS FROM THE COURSE:

Vice-President Frank Beaty was unable to attend the meeting, so no new information was presented.

RULES UPDATE:

Bill Robinson went over the rules about casual water in bunkers, which are a subset of the abnormal ground conditions rule, Rule 25. Essentially, a player can:

1. Play the ball as it lies
2. May drop the ball in the bunker within one club length of the nearest point of relief, no closer to the hole
3. The ball cannot be re-dropped unless it rolls closer to the hole.
4. The ball may be dropped outside the bunker with a one-stroke penalty

OLD BUSINESS:

The MGACC Match Play Tournament was held on November 14-16, 2014 and was won by Ray Naramore.

The December tournament will be held at Gordon Lakes on December 11. Cost is \$45 and includes range balls, golf, lunch, and prize money. The format will be straight golf.

NEW BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next meeting is on Tuesday, January 13.  
The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Sabol  
Secretary