

RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.

Golf Advisory Committee

January 9, 2025

Chair Preston Kise called the January 9, 2025 meeting to order at 8:30am in the Lakeview SH#2.

Present: Chair Preston Kise, Co-Chair John Bressett; Committee Members Barry Broomham (SCMGA President); Mike Lust (South); Cal Frank (Riverview); Betty Lust (Lakes East); Doug Carlton (VP SCMGA); Sue Madden (Quail); Rich Lybolt; Cindy Aguilar (SCWGA); Harry Emerson (Willowbrook/Willowcreek); Shirley Fennell (South); Linda Sears (Riverview); Debi Gaines (SCWGA); Diane Hull (Lakes West); Polly Thompson (Lakes West); Linda Hardman (Willowbrook);

RCSC Staff: Golf Shop Manager Chris Linam, Golf Course Superintendent Chuck Hyppa, Golf Course Superintendent Dennis Dulaney

Guests: Board President Tom Foster, Board Vice President Chris Nettesheim and 11 Cardholders

Review/Amend Prior Meeting Summary: The Summary from December 12, 2024 was amended to reflect a change to the Ladies 9 Hole representative that gave the report. Linda Hardman was listed, and it was changed to Karen Larsen, the summary was accepted as amended.

Election of 2025 Secretary: Rich Lybolt was nominated and elected for the secretary position for 2025.

Brian Duthu, Golf Sr. Leader Report: Pro Shop Manager Chris Linam reported on December numbers in the absence of Golf Sr. Leader Brian Duthu.

The following question/comments were made:

- May handouts be prepared and given out at the Discover Sun City Event scheduled for January 15th from 9:00am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Sundial? Yes, get them to Golf Shop Manager Chris Linam as soon as possible and if you would like to volunteer at Discover Sun City, please let him know.
- There were some trespassers on the course after hours. The lead Ranger has been notified of the infraction and no further action is needed.

Chris Linam, Pro Shop Managers report:

Pro Shops

With the courses not having the best conditions for overseeding this year, and our crew working double time to re-seed week areas, it's so important to please follow the 90* rule in your carts. We ask that you all please help spread the word about filling divots in fairways and fixing yours and other ball marks on the greens! We really appreciate your help.

Just a reminder for the New Club Presidents in charge for 2025, please be sure to bring in your pairings for the next week's event at least 6 days in advance to the starter so we get them in before the lottery draw 5 days in advance.

We are in full swing with the Get Golf Ready classes, and they will run through April. Class is \$150.00 so if you or anyone you know would like to attend a class, please contact Chris Linam at clinam@suncityaz.org or call 623-876-8419. The Get Golf Ready class is without a doubt the best value for your dollar.

If any group has their 2026 league schedule set and have not got them to us yet please be sure to send it to me Via Email at clinam@suncityaz.org so we can get it on the calendar, and don't forget to go to the Clubs Office to book your rooms for your awards banquets and lunches.

SCMGA Report: Barry Broomham introduced himself as the President of the SCMGA for 2025. He further introduced Doug Carlton as a new SCMGA Vice President and attendee to the committee. The Extravaganza tournament is scheduled for 4 days in February on the 7th, 8th and 14th, 15th at four different courses. Signup sheets are available at each course. He asked for volunteers to help Jerry Walczak with the upcoming Octogenarian Tournament. If interested, Jerry can be contacted through the Quail Golf Course. Of note hole in ones made on SCMGA men's day players will be given a plaque for the event.

SCWGA Report:

Ladies 18-Hole: Cindy Aguilar introduced herself as the new President of the ladies 18-hole umbrella. Cindy gave a list of upcoming tournaments: Sun City Open February 6th and 8th and Better Ball on March 1st.

Ladies 9 Hole: Debbie Gaines reported that all was going well, and they are working on the tournament for February. Their first meeting will be February 3rd.

Old Business: What is the consensus of prioritizing items for the 2026 budget? The response was that it would be best to wait and see what the impact on golf is with the upcoming rate increases. Still checking to see if the software will allow split payments of golf dues.

New Business: Overseed schedule this season will be accomplished by a team of workers going from course to course to do the work. Schedules are still being worked on with the overseeding starting later due to the extreme heat in September. This type of schedule may impact upcoming tournaments so please review your dates and times and discuss with Chris Linam or Brian Duthu.

It was asked if there would be any thought given to a 6-month Golf pass? It was discussed previously, and no action was taken,

Course Reports:

North: No report

South: South has their mixer scheduled for Jan 12, 2025.

Faster in the wind. The course is in great shape. One greens worker short. Maintenance continues to fill divots and repair ball marks.

Quail Run: Great shape! The Divot party was successful. Rough is getting thin.

Lakes East: Looks good and plays well. Greens are fast. Team play starts January 16, 2025.

Lakes West: Great shape and the greens are very fast. The Divot party on January 5th was successful.

Riverview: Playing well. Greens are fast. Spotty areas that need work. Tee markers have been run over and damaged. Ladies in full swing, team play starts, and January mixer has been scheduled. Ball marks on greens.

Willow Creek/Willow Brook: On the positive side, the area and parking lot lighting project that has been in the works for two years, is currently underway. Causing a bit of traffic and parking disruption for a short time but with the clubhouse painted over the summer, this lighting project complete, and then the striping of the inner cart parking area will markedly improve the appearance of the entire area.

For both courses, some of the reseeded areas coming out of a marginal overseed, have progressed a good bit and others will just not come back until the Bermuda starts growing again. We are focusing on ensuring that the weed issues we have had the past two years do not re-occur and have assurances from the superintendent that all the right chemicals and timings are being applied or planned for as the weather progresses. Continued emphasis on the sand traps and surrounds to get through the winter and high play times. Fairways are a bit thinner than we would like and hope to avert a hard freeze.

We are down one man in authorized head count and will be hired when the hiring freeze is lifted in February.

Rangers at both WC and WB are doing a good job and it is nice to see more than we have had the past few years.

Guest Comments: A player from Quail run was not enthused about the addition of a frisbee course and how it would impact golf play. This item will be reviewed.

Adjournment: The Meeting was adjourned at 9:39am.

Next Meeting: February 13, 2025, at 8:30am – Lakeview Social Hall #2

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Lybolt Secretary