

2005-06 H.S.V. Golf Committee Report

Members of the Committee:

Dennis Faulk, Chair; Jack Barry, Vice Chair; Paula Heney, Secretary; Bill Behan, Tom Donnelly, Tom Elliott, Tom Gavos, Jim Mainord, Larry Siler, Neal Vinyard. (Mr. Vinyard replace Mr. Donnelly October 2005).

All members of the committee contributed significantly toward numerous accomplishments during the year. The guidance and efforts of the subcommittee chairs, Golf Director John Paul and Assistant to the Director, Stephanie Stone are much appreciated.

Computer Software

(Tom Elliott, Chair; Larry Siler)

In 2005 the POA board approved the replacement of all of the existing applications software. A special Ad Hoc Committee was created and in December of 2005 the vendors were selected and approved. The golf committee received regular reports in order to keep everyone up to date concerning the progress of the subcommittee. The decision to not upgrade the existing software was due to cost issues.

Course Operations

(Paula Heney, Chair; Bill Behan, Tom Elliott, Larry Siler)

This committee was established in 2005. Our purpose is to review all courses in the Village and to address concerns of the committee and any villager. We have gotten good comments from golfers as to specific holes on each course and will try to respond to them. Our first course was completed on 2-2-06 at Ponce with Paula Heney, Rick Ross, Jack Barry, Tom Elliott, Larry Siler, and Bill Behan in attendance. We made our report and it was given to the golf committee regarding our recommendations. As weather and availability permits, we will proceed to do the rest of the courses in the Village. We are in the process of setting up another course in March.

Finance and Planning

(Tom Elliott, Chair; Jack Barry, Jim Mainord, Larry Siler)

Originally this committee was composed of members of the Research and Special Projects Committee as well as the Golf Committee. Leaders of those two committees, however, realized that the input from Research and Special Projects should come long before the fees work was done. Thus it was recommended and approved that only members of the Golf Committee would be involved in this process. The subcommittee met several times during the summer and made recommendations to the Golf Committee and subsequently to the POA board regarding the fees for 2006. In addition to the above committee members, meetings also included John Paul, Jerry Byram and Dennis Faulk. The final recommendations went to the board and were approved.

Golf Programs (Junior Golf, Adult Golf, Physically Challenged Golf)

(Jack Barry, Chair; Tom Gavos, Jim Mainord)

The HSV Junior Golf Program instructed 291 young people during the eight week program, averaging 130 each week. The season culminated in a two day tournament with 128 golfers participating. Following the second day of competition an awards picnic was held with 425 people attending. Plaques were awarded to four flight winners in each of fifteen flights.

In March, an adult clinic was held with 93 people attending and learning the basics of golf. The success of this

and the Junior Program is due to the 177 different volunteers who helped out throughout the year.

For the first time, HSV Junior Golf awarded college scholarships to former participants.

Two \$500, renewable for four years, were given to two deserving golfers. The money for these scholarships is raised at the annual golf outing at Diamante.

The Physically Challenged Golf Program completed its fourth year serving 29 golfers needing assistance to play (10 during 2005). There were 12 volunteers during 2005, some serving all four years of the program. A highlight of the year was the purchase of two golf cars especially designed for the use of handicapped individuals.

One of the cars was purchased using kind donations of village individuals and organizations. The other was purchased with matching funds provided, as promised, by the POA. The program is offered twice Monthly from mid-April to mid-October

Isabella II Course

(Bill Behan, Chair; Paula Heney, Jim Mainord, Larry Siler)

The four members of this sub-committee assisted the Golf Department throughout the year; representing property owner's views and concerns. They met with prospective construction bidders and the Golf Department during initial course planning meetings.

Members spent many hours walking the course during regular visits with Mr. Tom Clark, course designer and architect with Mr. John Paul, POA Director of Golf and his staff and the construction company superintendent. During each bi-monthly progress review; sub-committee members offered design modifications to improve drainage, suggestions that would provide more readily acceptable access to fairways and greens from cart paths, ideas to assure proper teeing ground position and alignment, and offered insight and concerns that would make the course more playable from a woman's and senior golfer's point of view. Many other thoughtful and insightful recommendations resulted in a truly magnificent addition to the golfing experience at the Isabella Golf Course from both a playability and aesthetic standpoint. Members spent in excess of 200 hours in meeting their responsibilities.

Isabella II Tours

(Tom Elliott Chair; Tom Gavos)

In the fall of 2005, we set aside two weekends to give preliminary tours of the new Isabella nine hole course. With help from Tom Gavos (Golf Committee), the Golf Department, Isabella staff and with special help from the Men's 9-Hole Golf Association we were able to show the course to over 800 people. More tours are planned for May of 2006.

Medical Flags/Chapter 6

(Tom Gavos, Chair; Paula Heney, Jim Mainord)

This committee discussed revising the requirements for obtaining medical flags. It was decided that a person requesting a flag would need to get a doctor's request on his or her letterhead stating that the medical condition is permanent or temporary. If the condition is permanent no other action is necessary. If temporary, a request must be made annually. A person that has obtained a Department of Public Safety handicap placard or license plate may present those to the Golf Department and receive a permanent flag. Persons that have reached the age of 80 may request a flag without any other documentation. The above was presented to the Golf Committee, a motion made, seconded, and passed. The committee was also instrumental in recommending changes to the POA policy for golf facilities, commonly referenced as Chapter Six. Changes have been approved by the POA board.

Newcomers

(Bill Behan, Chair; Tom Donnelly, Jim Mainord, Neal Vinyard)

One of four members of the Golf Committee attended each of the Recreation Committee's monthly Newcomer's gatherings. New resident property owners were given an overview of golf course and golf shop operations, tee time procedures, phone and computer web site contact points, descriptions of men's and women's leagues, assistance available in the physically challenged golf program, the Junior and Adult instructional clinic's, and an invitation to view the new Isabella nine hole course addition. Attendance each month was between 10 and 50 newcomers; with over 300 new residents attending the presentations throughout the year. Members devoted over 50 hours in preparation and presentation for their monthly presentations.