Final

Golf Joint Advisory Committee Meeting Notes
Wednesday, March 10th, 8:30 am, ZOOM

Attendees: Alex Sanford, Darryl Muldoon, David Brandenberg, David DeGraf, David Whelchel, Gary Mertz, Jason Loyd, Jan Simms, Jeff Hendren, Keith Ihms, Mark Deihl, Mike Houston, Phil Spencer, Sheila Heward, Susan Nuttall, Tammie Loyd, Tom Judson , Greg Sellers

Votes & Important Topics

- VOTE: David DeGraf made a motion to recommend Mark Diehl as a Golf Committee Member to the POA Board. Gary Mertz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Golf Committee will be looking to fill one open position
- VOTE: Susan Nuttall made a motion to change the meeting time to 4:00 pm from April through October. Mark Dhiel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- The next meeting is the Golf JAC Regular Meeting – Wednesday, April 14th at 4:00pm. The format & location are TBD
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Call to Order – Jason Loyd called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.
Course reports - see meeting packet
Staff Reports:

- **Maintenance – Keith**
    - **Congratulations to Shane O'Neil,** the Assistant Superintendent at Kingsdale for earning his Basic TurfGrass Certificate. He is working on his Advanced Turf Grass Certificate and should earn this by the end of the year. These certifications along with his extensive experience are important factors in career advancement.
    - Hwy 340 project
        - ARDOT expects confirmation on easements next week. Once that step is complete, our team will have 7 days to get ready for the small tunnel extension between BVCC #8 and #9.
        - Maintenance and Operations have worked extensively on a plan for this project. Although some moves may appear to be sudden to golfers, each step is choreographed with other organizations/companies involved in this project.
        - We will lose the use of the back half of the #6 tee during construction - likely several years.
    - Impact of snow/freezing weather in February
        - It appears that the blanket of snow in advance of very cold temperatures helped keep the grass on the greens from sustaining damage. Bermuda greens (Scotsdale and Brittany) are starting to grow. The purple leaves are new growth, while green color is areas that have not started to sprout new leaves.
        - The team is keeping a close eye on the back of #2 Brittany and the ridge on #9 Scotsdale.
        - Upcoming concern is frost where nighttime lows can still do damage to the greens. The team will be looking at 2-3 day forward trends to be sure the greens can be covered if a damaging frost is likely.
    - #13 Green at Dogwood
        - A frozen pipe in the irrigation system caused a portion of the green to sink.
        - The team recovered most of the sod . The area has been filled and regraded. The recovered sod will be laid today, March 10th - ahead of rain predicted later in the week.
        - Both courses will also have conventional 4" core aeration done while course closed
        - Highlands, BVCC and Berksdale will have conventional core aeration in April and Scotsdale and Brittany will be done during summer season
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    - Upcoming Drill and Fill aeration on Dogwood and Kingswood greens in March
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        - Highlands, BVCC and Berksdale will have conventional core aeration in April and Scotsdale and Brittany will be done during summer season
    - Projects
        - The Root Pruner is currently working at Berksdale and Kingswood with Scotsdale, Brittany and Dogwood remaining.
        - BVCC #5 Creek bed remediation - the contract has been released to Crafton Tull. They were the low bidder and did similar projects for us last year at Scotsdale.
        - Red Tee Box enhancements on BVCC and Highlands will be delayed due to lack of available sod until September.
- **Golf Operations –** Darryl:
    - Rounds - courses were closed 18 days out of 28 in February. Rounds are down only 876.
    - Tanyard Creek - Range buckets increased by 657 in February. Chicken wire has been laid on the grass between the hitting areas at Tanyard. This has been very effective at keeping the golfers socially distanced.
    - Covid update - restrictions are not changing for the time being. As golfers are vaccinated, they are welcome to share carts if they feel comfortable doing so. Golf groups will be playing a tee time schedule at least through June.
    - APT/WAPT
        - Men and women will play in a mixed schedule for the first 2 days of the tournament at BVCC and Highlands. The final 2 days are at the BVCC. Sign ups are going well.
        - Pro/AM will feature 1 man and 1 woman pro with 3 amatures. Sign up Now!
        - Gary Mertz is handling APT housing. Many of the golfers and hosts were very happy with the arrangements last year. More hosts are needed. Contact Gary Mertz.
    - Golf Operations sent out a survey to gauge interest in a 'Tailgate Golf Expo'. The response was such that this idea has been shelved.
    - Tournaments: Alex
        - Couples Sweetheart Tournament was very successful on a nice March weekend. There was a full field of 38 teams.
        - Upcoming tournaments include the 3 Person Scramble (full) and the Shot in the Dark (full)
        - Information is out on the Men's Match Play Club Championship and Two Man Summer Series. Information about flights and rules is available at the Golf Office or from Alex Sanford.
- **General Management – Tom Judson**
    - The insurance adjuster should have a bid to repair the water damage at the Metfield Clubhouse in the next few weeks. We anticipate the repair work will take about 2 months. The Pro Shop will remain open for most of the time.
    - We request that the membership have patience as Covid requirements change over the next months. Although we anticipate some restrictions will ease, we will remain in compliance with the State of Arkansas guideline.
    - The POA Board election starts soon. On March 16th there is an online "Meet the Candidates" forum. Information about the candidates can also be found on the POA website.
- **Board Liaisons**
    - David Brandenburg thanked the membership for their help in improving the state of the fairway grass. Driving in the rough and hitting from the short grass has resulted in better fairway conditions than we typically see this time of year. He also thanked the Maintenance and Operation teams for coming up with the idea and implementing it.
- **Comments/Emails from the Public: none**
- **Old Business: none**

- **New Business:**
  - April time change to 4:00pm
    - Susan Nuttall made a motion to change the meeting time to 4:00 pm from April through October. Mark Dhiel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
  - Committee Members Terms
    - Phil Spencer will be stepping away from the committee when his term ends. We will be looking for one new member.
    - Mark Diehl is interested in participating for another term.
      - David DeGraf made a motion to recommend Mark Diehl as a Golf Committee Member to the POA Board. Gary Mertz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
  - Committee Q & A
    - Gary asked if we can make actual holes in the practice greens? Per Darryl - not at this time due to Covid restrictions. Per Keith - changing holes puts a lot of stress on the grass during cold weather. It is more practical as we get into late spring/summer.
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Announcements:

o **Golf JAC Regular Meeting** – Wednesday, April 14th at 4:00pm, format TBD

Adjourn – Jason Loyd adjourned the meeting at 9:16 am

COURSE INSPECTION FOR DOGWOOD, March, 2021
Date of Visit: 3/3/2021 Name of Reviewer: Susan Nuttall

Head Golf Pro: Paul Gomez Course Super: Scott Hanson

General Appearance of Club House (include Snack Bar and Bulletin Boards): Flood damage is being mitigated. Club House is open.

General Appearance of Course: Great for this time of year. Work on #13 green in progress to repair drainage issues caused by freezing weather.

Noted Safety Hazards (overhanging and dead limbs, holes, etc.): None; the new paving on road between #7 & #8 Dogwood is a great improvement.

Golf Cart (cleanliness, sand in container, sharp pencil):excellent

Operational Opportunities (per head pro or pro shop staff) limit to up to 3:

- In the process of hiring a replacement full time staff person in the pro shop.
- Pro shop will continue to remain open until repairs for post flood damage begins. Hope to coordinate for already scheduled down-times.
- Liquor license extension to include golf shop patio – waiting for ABC response.
- Bathroom walls are painted, floor painting yet to be done.

Maintenance Opportunities (per course superintendent) limit up to 3:

- Painted and installed Brittany yardage markers. Installed Dogwood yardage markers.
- Corrected #8 Dogwood greens drainage and removed collar dam.
- Created temporary green for #13 Dogwood. Isolated water leak at #13 Dogwood green, began repairing collar & green perimeter, marked damage for green surface.

Comments and Notes:

- The Metfield Trail Extension has only a few spots left to complete. Wonderful addition to the neighborhood.

Course Inspection Report – ***KINGSWOOD & BERKSDALE***

Visit Date: March 8, 2021
Facility Supervisor/Pro: **Gavin Smith** (head Pro), **Reed Holly** (Course Superintendent)
Reviewer: **Gary Mertz**

General Appearance of Club House (Snack Bar, Bulletin Boards, Displays, etc):

- ***Appearance of Pro Shop***: Everything looks neat, clean and organized.
- ***Merchandise Sales***: Sales are going well.
- ***Course usage***: When open, both Berksdale and Kingswood are full.

Operational Opportunities (per Head Pro or Staff):

- ***Pro Shop***: Gavin has everything under control and working smoothly.
- ***Golf Carts***: Carts are cleaned and sanitized after each usage.
- ***Practice Area***: Nothing new to report

Maintenance Opportunities (per Superintendent):

- ***Fairways & Greens*****:**
    - **Pre-emergent has been applied to all areas**
    - Very little winter-kill on the greens; holes 8 & 17 Red tees are a little rough and will need some work to restore
    - Greens are mowed approximately once per week to nip the buds that are growing and to smooth out the surface; greens have been rolled a few times this winter to smooth the putting surface
- ***Equipment***: Leased Jackson equipment has been replaced with leased John Deere equipment.

Comments and Notes:

- Restroom on the course has been updated, painted, new flooring, and rubber seal around the interior walls. HVAC is scheduled to be installed later this year to make it cooler in summer and warmer in the winter.
- Hole 7 bridge has been updated with new wood planks; flat bridge to hole 8 has new concrete apron leading to the bridge; the "bump" onto the bridge is gone
- Memorial bench on hole 11 is being replaced; wind storm damaged the bench and plaque.

Follow-up Items: Nothing to report

COURSE INSPECTION FOR HIGHLANDS, MARCH, 2021

Date of visit: March 7, 2021	Name of Reviewer: Phil Spencer
Head Golf Pro: Alex Sanford	Course Superintendent: Greg Jones
General Appearance of Club House:	Clean, tidy and sanitized frequently. Sales of last year logo clothing have been liquidated and the new spring apparel is now in the shop. New logo merchandise for 2021 is in now with slightly higher sales exceeding monthly levels. The golf course is full most days keeping the current staff busy. Two new employees have been added to fill the staff level. The biggest change in the clubhouse is the remodeling of the bar area and the new expanded outdoor patio. The bar area now has a new look and will feature hot food coming from Lakepoint in the near future. The game room is nearing completion.
General Appearance of Course:	The fairways and greens are recovering from the harsh winter conditions. The greens are now recovering from the snow and ice. Maintenance staff worked on root pruning and stump grinding.
Golf Carts:	All carts are sanitized, washed and cleaned after use by each golfer while maintaining a quick turnaround of carts by the staff. All carts have pencils and score cards. There were several minor cart repairs performed by the staff
Operational Opportunities:	The maintenance staff worked on building metal frames for housings the ice machines which will be installed on the course.
Maintenance Opportunities:	Spring pre-emergent began in April. One broken water line was repaired after the freeze. Greg believes the ice and snow before the bitter cold insulated the turf.
Comments and Notes:	Many blue flag and regular golfers are ignoring the rule of carts being too close to the greens.

Course Inspection – BV Country Club
March 2021

Date of Visit: Mar. 8, 2021 Name of Reviewer: Sheila Heward

Course Manager: Gary Davis Course Superintendent: Rob Dressen

General Appearance of Club House/Pro Shop	• Clean, attractive, and well organized
General Appearance of Course	• Course does have po which has been sprayed. Once weather warms, it will disappear • Greens are greening up. Will aerate in about a month
Golf Carts	• Winter season - 2 workers per day. As day grows longer, it will become necessary to increase staffing in the cart barn. Once full spring will have 3 per shift.
Operational Opportunities	• Tee sheets continue to be very full. • Optimizing labor hours in the pro shop • All 2021 technical products, ie balls, are starting to arrive in the pro shop • New Footjoy ladies and men's shoes are HERE!!
Maintenance Opportunities	• Spraying with herbacides to treat poa and prevent others weeds from emerging • All signs, tee markers, yardage markers, etc have all been removed and refinished (includes sanding, staining/painting). Will be back on the course when golf course reopens on 3-13-21 • Irrigation heads have all been edged and repaired as necessary. • Cart path in tunnel between 8 green and 9 tee box has been resurfaced by Maintenance and Construction. • This morning - a demo of Dryject - pushes sand into the green without disturbing the surface and is especially helpful to improve drainage on the front 9 greens because these are older and don't drain well. • Bridges on #6 have been re-surfaced!!
Comments and Notes	• Focus is spraying before rain comes later this week.

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PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

From: Darryl Muldoon PGA, Director of Golf Operations

To: Golf Committee

Date: March 2021

Subject: Golf Rounds Report for February

February Rounds Report is as follows:

- Total rounds ended at 8,554. Down by 870 over last year.
  - Members rounds down by 530 over last year.
  - Guest rounds down by 340 over last year.
- February rounds were impacted by the bad weather as you will see on the break down report. The course closure average for the month of February was 18 out of 28 days.

February Range Buckets are as follows:

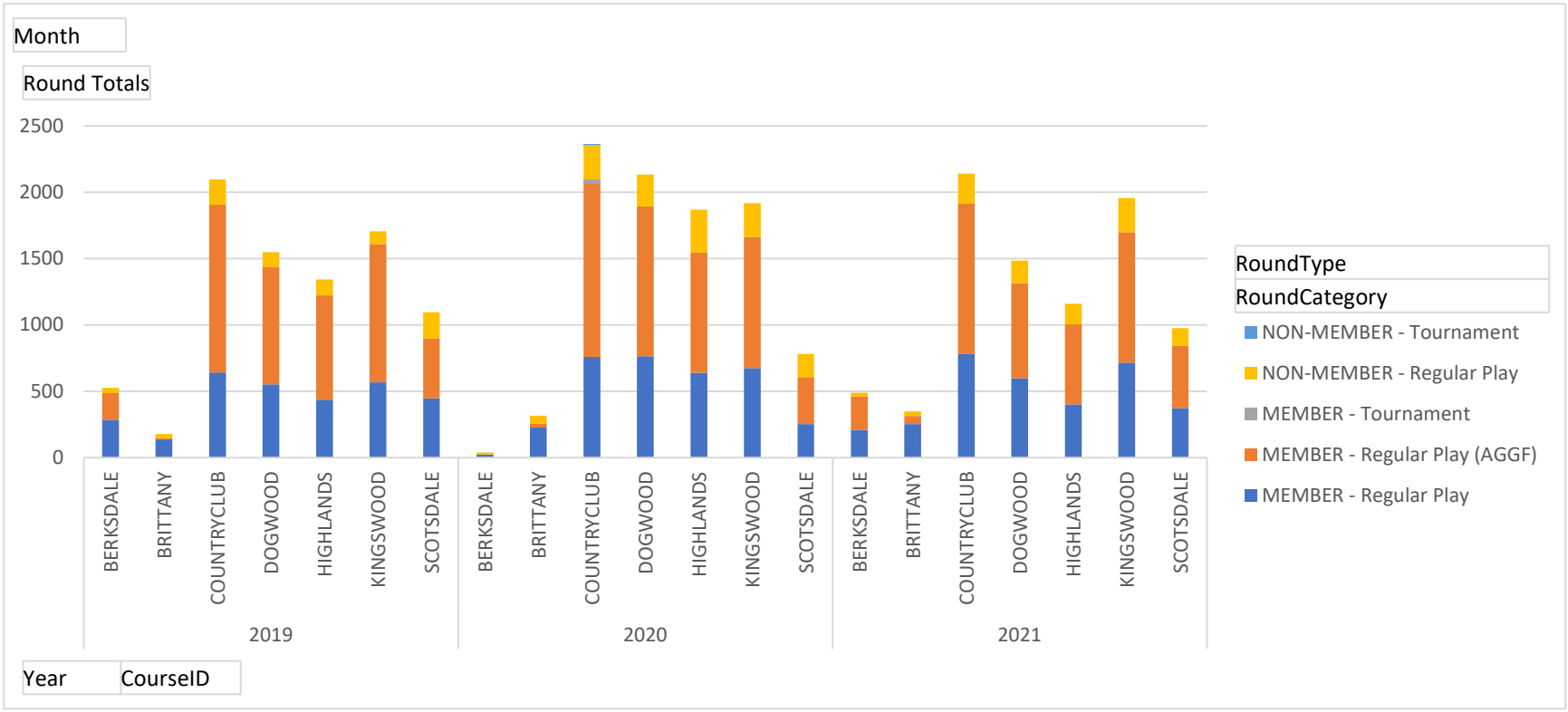
- Total Range buckets ended at 1458.
  - Up by 657 over last year.

We will continue to stay with tee times, due to the COVID guidelines.

YTD February

Round Totals	Year							
	MEMBER			Total	NON-MEMBER		Total	Grand Total
Round Type	Regular Play	Regular Play (AGGF)	Tournament		Regular Play	Tournament		
2019	**3068**	**4638**		**7706**	**791**		**791**	**8497**
BERKSDALE	286	200		486	41		41	527
BRITTANY	137	11		148	31		31	179
COUNTRYCLUB	642	1265		1907	190		190	2097
DOGWOOD	552	882		1434	115		115	1549
HIGHLANDS	436	786		1222	122		122	1344
KINGSWOOD	568	1042		1610	95		95	1705
SCOTSDALE	447	452		899	197		197	1096
2020	3342	4713	29	8084	1335	5	1340	9424
BERKSDALE	24			24	15		15	39
BRITTANY	227	30		257	60		60	317
COUNTRYCLUB	760	1307	29	2096	265	5	270	2366
DOGWOOD	765	1129		1894	239		239	2133
HIGHLANDS	640	905		1545	325		325	1870
KINGSWOOD	674	987		1661	256		256	1917
SCOTSDALE	252	355		607	175		175	782
2021	3333	4221		7554	1000		1000	8554
BERKSDALE	209	253		462	27		27	489
BRITTANY	252	63		315	34		34	349
COUNTRYCLUB	783	1130		1913	227		227	2140
DOGWOOD	598	717		1315	170		170	1485
HIGHLANDS	402	603		1005	154		154	1159
KINGSWOOD	717	983		1700	257		257	1957
SCOTSDALE	372	472		844	131		131	975

February 2021 Course Closure Info					Totals	YTD Total	
Dogwood:	Weather	Spcial Projects	12	11	23	YTD Total	27
Brittany:	Weather	Spcial Projects	12	12	24	YTD Total	41
Highlands:	Weather			15	15	YTD Total	31
BVCC:	Weather			13	13	YTD Total	17
Kingswood:	Weather	Spcial Projects	4	14	18	YTD Total	22
Berksdale:	Weather			14	14	YTD Total	18
Scotsdale:	Weather			22	22	YTD Total	39
February	2021		2020				
Range Baskets	1458		801				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