Jackson Park Men's Golf Club 2014 Annual General Meeting/Clyde Carlson Day Saturday, Jan. 19, 2014 Jackson Park Restaurant

Minutes

Call to Order

President Trevor Cameron called the meeting to order around 6:15 p.m., after 9 holes of golf and members were enjoying dinner, beverages and camaraderie. Total attendance was around 30.

Cameron introduced JPMGC officers/trustees, along with Dick Rovig, retiring club webmaster who is working on a history project for the club.

Cameron reminded members that the board exists to serve them, and encouraged them to share suggestions and concerns.

Head Professional's Report

Jackson Park Head Professional Josh Gaskell, after introducing assistant professional Paul Bourgette, gave an update on the driving-range project. He met recently with Paul Williams, Seattle golf director, and learned bids have been received for the netting as well as the range building. Although the bids were higher than budgeted, the project will proceed.

Gaskell said Williams told him the range could open as early as July or as late as November of 2014.

Gaskell also thanked the JPMGC membership for collectively donating \$1,320.19 toward purchase of an AED device, which is in the pro shop and ready for use. A \$600 grant also helped fund this potentially life-saving device.

In response to questions, Gaskell said the back tee on No. 10 will be completed in the final phase of the range project, and he said he would look into the issue of granting relief for balls in play that end up near the netting.

President's Report

Cameron recognized Dan Puetz Sr. (net) and Mark Ohrenschall (gross) as co-winners of the Clyde Carlson Day trophy, as both toured Jackson's front nine in 37 strokes. Larry Maloney won a Santa Claus golf sculpture for shooting the highest score.

Tournament Report

Tournament Chairman/Team Captain John Clements reported a few changes to this year's tournament agenda, with input from a tournament committee of himself, Kyle Johnson, Jason Hart, Jeff Schoening and Mark Ohrenschall.

New tournaments are a Stableford event in May and a two-man event. Meanwhile, the Tip 'N Tuck and Fall Field Day will switch months; the former moving to September, the latter to October. In addition, the handicap-division club championship will debut the first weekend in June with the entire field scheduled to play matches.

Clements also reported a changed emphasis on payouts, which have been skewed toward lower-handicap players. The club will pay more net prizes in the monthly events, and possibly expand to three divisions, depending on turnout. This should expand the base of players winning prize money.

KP's, meanwhile, will become a side pot and not a regular prize payout, although Clements said Gaskell will offer separate KP prizes for men's club events. Cameron later said KP payouts have been \$125 per event, which can now be allocated for additional net payouts.

Clements also emphasized sign-up deadlines will be Thursday nights for Saturday events, with "no exceptions."

Treasurer's Report

Jeff Schoening presented members a year-end 2013 fiscal report. It showed total income of \$12,865, almost entirely from membership dues, and total expenses of \$12,976.20, led by Washington State Golf Association dues (\$5,207), prize-fund payouts (\$3,448) and administrative stipends (\$2,100). With a carryover from 2012 of \$1,524.88, and annual meeting expenses of \$1,016.13, the 2013 year-end balance is \$397.55.

Schoening reported after the meeting that the club collected \$840 for the raffle, \$169 for the auction, and Clyde Carlson's \$300 donation. Minus \$81.02 for copying, the current balance rose to \$1,565.33.

Junior Program

Junior Program Chairman Dan Puetz Sr. noted there were 11 junior members in the club for 2013, and reported on plans for Junior Field Days in spring and fall. He also said 15-17 year-olds can play in the men's club field days. The Jackson Juniors Tournament in August has become quite popular, drawing 50 to 80 young players, ages 6-18, on both the par-3 and big courses.

Elections

A slate of 2014 officers was approved by the membership: President Trevor Cameron, Vice President Kyle Johnson, Secretary Mark Ohrenschall and Treasurer Jeff Schoening, along with Tournament/Handicap Chairman John Clements. There was one nay vote for all, except for Schoening. Trustees Jason Hart, Doug Nevins and Lee Jones were approved by acclamation.

Drawing/Raffle/Auction

The evening concluded with a drawing of golf-ball sleeves for members who participated in five or more events in 2013; a raffle of balls, gloves, wine, hats, a short bag, wedge, Jackson Park photos by Jeff Schoening, rain jackets, WSU Cougar paraphernalia, a driver, rounds of golf, a golf lesson from Paul Bourgette, a golf bag and a travel cover; and a silent auction of a photo, a putter, a rain jacket and a sleeve of balls.

The good times and the annual meeting finished around 7 p.m., right after Cameron said he looked forward to the club's best year yet, and in the near future, the 3-club tournament scheduled for Feb. 15.