

**Jackson Park Men's Golf Club
2015 Annual Meeting/Clyde Carlson Day
Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015
Jackson Park Restaurant**

Minutes

Call to Order

President Trevor Cameron called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m., after 9 holes of golf played by approximately 25 JPMGC members. Total attendance at the dinner was around 35.

Cameron introduced JPMGC officers and trustees, along with Clyde Carlson, longtime club benefactor, and Dick Rovig, longtime member and officer.

Treasurer's Report

"We still have money in our bank account," summarized Treasurer Jeff Schoening. He presented the 2014 fiscal year-end report, showing a balance of \$1,828.39. Total income in 2014 was \$14,424, while total expenses were \$12,993.16. With annual meeting expenses of \$826.33, the club's up-to-date balance is \$1,002.06. Schoening also noted \$13,077 in prize money was awarded in 2014.

Tournament Report

Tournament Director John Clements told members about a couple of notable date changes in the JPMGC tournament calendar for 2015. The Red/White/Blue event will take place in March, and the two-day stroke-play tournament will be held in late June. Club championships will kick off in June, as usual. And a likely new match-play tournament is planned, for players who lose their first-round matches in the handicap division.

Club membership came to an even 200 in 2014, Clements reported, up from 194 in 2013. Of those members, 62 won prize money last year. Participation in 2014 tournaments was up slightly from 2013.

Clements and Cameron both indicated the new Jackson Park driving range will likely draw new members to the club; Cameron called it a "huge opportunity."

Head Professional's Report

Jackson Park Head Professional Josh Gaskell thanked members for their patience with and support of the driving-range project; it officially debuted Jan. 8. (**NOTE:** JPMGC member Tom DeMasi came closest to guessing the opening date, at the 2014 annual banquet; Dec. 31, 2014.)

Gaskell reported the range is not completely finished yet, with 44 of 50 hitting stations available. Some work remains on the turf (30,000 square feet of sod were laid in recent weeks), bathrooms and range - lighting visibility, among other items. The range is open from dawn to 9 p.m. now, planned to extend from dawn to 11 p.m. in summer.

Gaskell also provided a golf course update. No. 2 green will remain a temporary through the winter, as the regular green gets restricted air and sun in the darker months; the temp could be moved around in front of the regular green. Meanwhile, the No. 8 tee box has a new look after adjacent trees came down in a December windstorm and the entire grove was subsequently removed. The tee box will be made much larger, plus a back-tee box now becomes available to add 40-some yards to the hole. The planned new back tees on No. 10 should be addressed this spring.

The Jackson Park maintenance budget was down in 2014, and the course had three fewer workers, Gaskell told members. Maintenance employees will increase in 2015, which Gaskell said should bode well for better and healthier course conditions.

In answer to a question, he said there are no current plans to add a stroke to Jackson's par of 70. The most likely eventual option is making No. 15 a par-5 playing to the current No. 7 green, and creating a new tee and using the practice green for a new No. 7. But Gaskell said he does not see that project happening anytime soon.

President's Report

Cameron recognized Kyle Johnson as low gross and winner of the Clyde Carlson Day trophy, touring Jackson's front nine in 37 strokes. He also noted the absence of Dan Puetz Sr. for health reasons, lauding Puetz' central role as the club's junior chairman.

Cameron also recognized 2014 JPMGC club champions: Mark Ohrenschall, scratch; Reed Johnson, handicap; and Aaron Mackey and Geoff McNeish, two-man. Jeff Schoening captured the money title, with \$856 in prize winnings for the year.

Also celebrated was JPMGC's victory in the Seattle Cup, captained by Jason Hart. Jim Huckabay was the club's MVP in the annual event among Seattle men's clubs.

Cameron noted that annual membership (\$65) and monthly tournament (\$60) fees will remain the same in 2015.

He encouraged members to bring up ideas for tournaments. He also said playing-time limits will be strictly enforced this year, via a time clock players will punch after teeing off on No. 1 and upon finishing No. 18.

Cameron also mentioned the possibility of club work parties this year to help with needed projects around Jackson Park.

Elections

A slate of 2015 officers was unanimously approved by the membership: President Trevor Cameron, Vice President Kyle Johnson, Secretary Mark Ohrenschall and Treasurer Jeff Schoening. Trustees reinstalled for odd-year terms were Greg Heim, John Clements, Travis Jones and Bob LeMaster.

Raffle/Auction

The evening concluded with an extensive raffle, a silent auction and a few giveaways. The booty included golf balls, wine, towels, driving-range gift card, annual membership, hats, photos, golf rounds, a putter, a wedge and a golf bag. Plus, a unique plus-size golf ball piece of art.

Lee Jones thanked Cameron for all his work as president, and the official meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.