

**RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.**  
**Golf Advisory Committee**  
**February 21, 2019**

Chair Dan Schroeder called the meeting to order at 8:30am in the Lakeview Social Hall #3.

**Present:** Chair Dan Schroeder; Co-Chair Rich Hoffer; Committee Members Mike Guzek (Lakes East); Dennis Meeter (Quail Run); Loretta Kvarnberg (Lakes East); Dave Duffus (Willowcreek); Ruth Melena (North); Lynn Lybolt (South); Marcia Grenier (Willowcreek); Johnny Pearson (Riverview); Rich Lybolt; Nancy Gray (SCWGA President); Evelyn Bertson (Lakes West); Bob Shirck (Lakes West); Joe Burd (Quail); Mary Autio (Ladies 9 Hole Umbrella); Wayne Van Horn (SCMGA President); Tom Wills (South); Brenda Richardson (Quail); Rosie Oblinger (Riverview)

**RCSC Staff:** Director of Golf Brian Duthu; Pro Shop Manager Chris Linam; Course Superintendent Dennis Dulaney

**Guests:** RCSC Board President Jerry DeLano; Cardholders Dan Dymerski, Jim Fitzsimmons, Phil Buchholz

**Prior Meeting Summary:** The Meeting Summary for January 17, 2019 was approved as presented.

**Brian Duthu, Director of Golf Report:**

**Pro Shops**

Our demo day is scheduled for March 4th from 9:00am to 2:00pm and will be held at Riverview. New this year is PXG Parsons Extreme Golf. In addition to PXG, representatives from Ping, Cobra, Taylor Made, Wilson Staff and Callaway Golf will be on hand to allow you to “test drive” the latest and greatest products that each company has to offer.

Free golf clinics will be offered March 2, 9, 16 & 23, at Lakes East/West, classes begin at 9:30am. Topics covered are ball flight, golf swing fundamentals, chipping and putting. There is no need to pre-register and the clinics are open to golfers of all skill levels. The clinics are a great introduction to the game of golf or great way to brush up on your game. Clinics are conducted by PGA professionals. Snack shops are scheduled to close at 5:00pm., however as we move into longer daylight hours, closing times may be extended based on demand. Hours may be adjusted during periods of inclement weather.

To date we have not received any requests to alter the overseed/aerification schedule that we were able to accommodate. As such we will be moving forward with the schedule as it was presented in January. The schedule will be posted to the RCSC website in the near future.

As we move into spring we can expect an increase in golf rounds and with increased rounds come increased wear and tear. As temperatures warm throughout the spring this wear and tear will heal faster, however we still need golfer support. We ask everyone to please fill your divots and fix your ball marks. With increased play slow play instances become more likely. We ask everyone to please practice ready golf by playing your shot as soon as possible. When it doesn't interfere with your playing partners or the

group ahead, move to your ball whenever it is safe to do so. Avoid excessive practice swings, read your putt ahead of your turn and record scores on the following tee box.

As we move into spring and temperatures increase, we will begin preparing the courses to transition from winter rye to summer Bermuda. The first step in this process is a gradual reduction in cutting heights particularly in fairways and around green complexes. The process of lowering heights of cuts opens up the grass canopy to allow more sunlight to reach the Bermuda grass as it comes out of dormancy. The additional sunlight gives the Bermuda grass a better chance of competing against the established rye grass. There is nothing we can do that will completely eliminate transition related issues lowering mowing heights promotes quicker recovery during the summer months.

## **2019 AERIFICATION/VERTICUTTING DATES**

### **Golf Course will be closed**

#### **Fairway Verticutting**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>April 29</b>	<b>Quail Run</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>May 2, 3</b>	<b>Riverview</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>May 6, 7</b>	<b>South</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>May 9, 10</b>	<b>Lakes West</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>May 13, 14</b>	<b>Lakes East</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>May 16, 17</b>	<b>North</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>May 20, 21</b>	<b>Willowbrook</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>May 23, 24</b>	<b>Willowcreek</b>

#### **Fairways Aerification**

<b>Thu</b>	<b>May 30</b>	<b>Quail Run</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>June 3, 4</b>	<b>Riverview</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>June 6, 7</b>	<b>South</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>June 10, 11</b>	<b>Lakes West</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>June 13, 14</b>	<b>Lakes East</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>June 17, 18</b>	<b>North</b>
<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>June 20, 21</b>	<b>Willowcreek</b>
<b>Mon-Tue</b>	<b>June 24, 25</b>	<b>Willowbrook</b>

#### **Greens Aerification**

<b>Thu-Fri</b>	<b>June 27, 28</b>	<b>Quail Run</b>
<b>Mon, Tue, Wed</b>	<b>July 1 - 3</b>	<b>Riverview</b>
<b>Mon, Tue, Wed</b>	<b>July 8 - 10</b>	<b>South</b>
<b>Mon, Tue, Wed</b>	<b>July 15 - 17</b>	<b>Lakes West</b>
<b>Mon, Tue, Wed</b>	<b>July 22 - 24</b>	<b>Lakes East</b>
<b>Mon, Tue, Wed</b>	<b>July 29 - 31</b>	<b>North</b>
<b>Mon, Tue, Wed</b>	<b>Aug 5 - 7</b>	<b>Willowbrook</b>
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## 2019 OVERSEED SCHEDULE

Golf Course will be closed

<u>Course</u>	<u>Overseed</u>	<u>Opens</u>	<u>Cart Path Until</u>
North	Sept 30	Oct 19	Nov 8
Lakes West	Sept 30	Oct 19	Nov 8
Willowbrook	Sept 30	Oct 19	Nov 8
Riverview	Sept 30	Oct 19	Nov 8
South	Oct 21	Nov 9	Nov 22
Lakes East	Oct 21	Nov 9	Nov 22
Willowcreek	Oct 21	Nov 9	Nov 22
Quail Run	Oct 21	Nov 9	Nov 22

### Chris Linam, Pro Shop Manager Report:

#### Pro Shops

Pro Shops Merchandise and Range Sales ended January behind budget.

Big thanks to the ladies club for inviting Brian Duthu and myself to play in the Riverview Guys & Dolls Tournament again this year, we had a great time.

For Men's and Ladies events it is vital to bring your list of the next week's players to the Head Starter 6 days in advance to properly set up the tee sheets for play the following week. With the draw 5 days in advance we want to be sure not to have regular play interfere with your proper tee assignments. Your help is greatly appreciated.

We just received the new PING G410 & i210 Irons in our fitting cart so we now have all Ping models (G410, G700, i500, I210, I Blades and Ladies GLe). If you are interested in trying the latest and greatest from PING or getting fit you can e-mail Chris Linam at [clinam@suncityaz.org](mailto:clinam@suncityaz.org) or call 623-876-8419 and schedule a fitting. Don't forget we also have Ping G400 & G400Max Drivers, Fairway Woods and Hybrids for our residents to demo on the course at Riverview. We match prices with any of the big box stores on current year models so don't just grab a set off of the wall, come down and get custom fit for your next set.

Get Golf Ready is in full swing and classes are filling up fast, but we still have openings for the months of March & April. If you know of anyone who is interested in taking up the game or wants to start back up then Get Golf Ready is for them. They will get 4 lessons going over all of the clubs in the bag (putting, chipping, irons and woods) with PGA & LPGA instructors and a 5<sup>th</sup> lesson will be a 9 hole playing lesson. The instructors will be teaching fundamentals of the swing as well as proper courtesy and etiquette on the course. For only \$99.00 it is the best deal for golf instruction. To sign up please contact Chris Linam at 623-876-8419 or e-mail [clinam@suncityaz.org](mailto:clinam@suncityaz.org).

## **Rangers**

We have added a couple of Rangers in the last month but we still only have 10-12 actively working, so we ask for you to please keep this in mind while you're playing. Play ready golf and fill out your score cards on the next tee box, also please help out our Superintendents by filling divots, fixing ball marks on the greens and raking the bunkers when you're done. Thank You.

**SCMGA Report:** SCMGA President, Wayne Van Horn stated that they were working on changes to expedite posting of Wednesday's Tee Times and game winnings.

### **SCWGA Report:**

- **Ladies 9-Hole:** President Mary Autio reported that things are going well. The Teal Ribbon Tournament was rained out but they still raised over \$21,000.00 for the charity. The Quail Run Invitational is scheduled and signups are available at all Pro Shops.
- **Ladies 18-Hole:** President Nancy Gray stated that they are working on revising procedures and policies.

**Old Business:** Lakes West will be getting additional tables and chairs for the area outside the snack shop.

Status of the request for cameras in the golf course parking lots is in the hands of the RCSC Management for research and cost.

Status of the proposed Ranger Payment plan has been given to the RCSC Board of Directors for approval.

**New Business:** Adding sod facing as shown in Golf Insider, was passed around for discussion and deemed that the process would be a good fit for RCSC.

**Questions/Comments:** Golf course appearance was discussed and was stated that every effort should be made to make our courses look appealing to all, especially new visitors.

### **Course Reports:**

North            Great shape

South            Good shape, new construction is progressing and on schedule. The divot party that was on January 27, 2019 at 3:00pm with a chili dinner following was a huge success with over 50 players assisting. Bunker worked will consist of sand removal and replacement with lining repair being done as needed.

Quail            Really good shape

Lakes East      Excellent shape

Lakes West Looks Great. Muddy areas exist around several Tee Boxes and will be addressed. Driving range divots are excessive and work will be done to place mats at the range.

Riverview Decent shape. Standing water on the course and rough is nonexistent. The new distant markers installed become a problem when in front of your shot.

Willowbrook Real good shape

Willowcreek Good shape

**Adjournment:** The Meeting was adjourned at 9:42am.

**Next Meeting:** March 21, 2019 at 8:30am – Lakeview Center Social Hall #2

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Lybolt, Secretary