

# **Idaho Couples Golf Association**

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ICGA Annual Meeting – 10/16/2011

Jerome Country Club

There were about 65 members in attendance at the annual meeting. Copies of the agenda and treasurer's report were distributed to those in attendance.

## **Introduction of Officers and Directors**

- **Paul & Shirley Ruhter – Presidents – 2012**
- **Henri & Marta LeMoyne – Vice Presidents – 2012**
- **Woody & Kathy Wudyka – Past Presidents – 2011 (absent)**
- **Bob & Linda White – 2012**
- **Glen & Annette Lattin – 2012**
- **Gary & Tamara Yost – 2011 (absent)**
- **Lonnie & Shawna Nelson – 2011**

## **Minutes from 2010 Annual Meeting**

Minutes from the 2010 annual meeting were read. A Motion was made by Henri LeMoyne and seconded by Vic Thompson to approve the minutes; the motion passed.

## **Treasurer's Report – Ending Balance - \$2,935.48**

Shirley Ruhter discussed the treasurer's report and ICGA income and expenses. A motion was made by Jim Griggs and seconded by Donna Lancaster to approve the treasurer's report; the motion was passed.

## **Old Business**

- **Golf Handicap Software – to be renewed**

## **New Business**

- **Proposal to raise the entry fee to \$50**

Paul Ruhter discussed the proposal to raise the entry fee to \$50, indicating it was important to increase our impact with the golf courses to retain their favor. Henri LeMoyne made a motion to accept the proposal; Nick Hansen seconded the motion. There was no additional discussion and the motion was passed.

- **Adding a Gross Prize to the Pay out for each flight**

Kent Bates read a letter that Stan Barkley had sent to the ICGA regarding the addition of a gross prize to each flight. A motion was made by Kent and seconded by Jim Astorquia to add a gross prize. There was a lengthy discussion, including additional eloquent presentations by Mike Woolley, Nick Hansen, Paul Borchard, and Don Campbell. The discussions included the tradition of the play being based upon net scores with a fair and equitable handicap system that is used by the ICGA; versus the wider handicap spreads being experienced in some of the tournaments and the desire to attract new lower handicap players. The motion failed to pass by a vote of about 5 for and 50 against.

- **Snowbird Trip**

Lonnie & Shawna Nelson discussed the Snowbird trip that is scheduled for February 13-17, 2012. The venue has been changed to the Avi Resort and Casino just south of Laughlin, NV. The play will occur at Mojave Resort and Los Lagos golf courses. A flyer about the details was passed out; the next newsletter will also include these details.

- **Age Limit**

Jack Kulm introduced a motion to revisit the age limit for players in ICGA tournaments, which stands at 18 years or older. The motion was seconded by Jim Davis. Several members expressed their opinions about the matter, basically indicating that the ICGA is a social organization that preferred to socialize with adult members in a golfing environment. The motion failed by a unanimous vote.

### **Committee Reports**

- **Member-Guest -19 couples with guests – Great success in Burley!**

- **Awards**

- The Low Net Champions at the ICGA State Tournament were Bill & Norma Morrison; they were presented Jackets for their accomplishment, which they modeled for the cheering crowd.
- Bill Morrison was presented the PIMP of the Year Award (Personally Invited Most Players) for his recruiting effort at the ICGA Member-Guest tournament held in Burley, along with a ball cap of his favorite college football team.

### **Reading Communications**

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### **Election of Officers**

- **Nominating Committee Report & Election**

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee (Bob White) presented the recommendations for filling the 3 director positions that were becoming vacant. Lonnie & Shawna Nelson had agreed to be nominated for their vacated director position; Dan & Nance Garcia and Keith & Linda Shark agreed to be nominated for the other two vacant director positions. Steve Feldtman made a motion to close the nominations and accept the committees report by acclamation; Paul Borchard seconded the motion; the assembly approved the motion unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and everyone got up and left to play golf!!!

Fifteen teams of two couples each participated in the Net Chapman Best Ball. The winners were Fran Lindauer & Teddy Frey and Dan & Nance Garcia with a tie for second between Bill & Norma Morrison/Vic and Elaine Thompson and Mike & Linda Woolley/Don & Diane Campbell.

The ICGA Board for 2012 met after golf scores were posted to discuss issues related to the next year. The Board with term expirations consists of the following:

- **Paul & Shirley Ruhter – Presidents – 2012**
- **Henri & Marta LeMoyne – Vice Presidents – 2012**
- **Bob & Linda White – 2012**
- **Glen & Annette Lattin – 2012**
- **Dan & Nance Garcia - 2013**
- **Lonnie & Shawna Nelson – 2013**
- **Keith & Linda Shark - 2013**

- The existing tournaments will be retained with at least one date change. Additional venues will be pursued in the western and eastern part of the state.
- Additional details for the Snowbird trip were discussed
- The Board agreed that players that reached their 80<sup>th</sup> birthday during a calendar year would be allowed to play from the forward tees, if they so desired, during that year and all subsequent years. However, they would be required to play from the forward tees at all tournaments after making this election. The course ratings would be adjusted for this change and handicaps would follow appropriately.