

SIR STATE GOLF COMMITTEE
MANTECA GOLF COURSE
305 N Union Rd
(209) 825-2500, Godfather Room

Tuesday July 12, 2016
8:30 am

Call to Order:

SSGC Members Present

Bill Wilhelm, Gilbert Matossian, Richard Seyler, Bill Ikerd, Steve Johnson, John Boyer, Jim Lynch, Peter Lambertson.

Honorary Guest: Jerry Strain (VP SIR Inc.), Tyler Flake (from ILT Travel).

Secretary Report

Approval of April 12, 2016 Minutes.

Moved by Peter Lambertson Seconded by John Boyer Minutes approved

Treasurer's Report

Report prepared by Bob Mannell. Just received by Bill Wilhelm who in the absence of Bob Mannell handed a copy to members present.

Moved to accept by Jim Lynch Seconded by Rich Seyler Treasurer's Report
Approved

Chairman Statement

Chairman Wilhelm restated the need to improve communication down to the branches in order to improve participation in all future State tournaments.

Division Reports:

Division 1 - Jim Lynch. Shall provide an updated roster for his Areas and Branches.

. Team Championship Qualifier: 3 areas participated, 2 were not interested.

. Individual Champ. Qualifier: set for 8/16; 60 spots reserved, currently 14 sign-ups . Division
Chair to email reminder and Bill Wilhelm will call some members too.

Division 2 - John Boyer.

. Provided updated roster. Branch 82 in Area 12 is dissolving; members are switching to Branch
135.

. State Team Qualifier: 5 areas participated, but number of teams is down;

. Individual Qualifier : set for 8/16; 100 reservations most likely will be met.

Division 3- Bill Ikerd.

. Will provide updated Roster sheets (did not receive email with agenda request);

. Team Qualifier : 4 areas participated, 3 did not

. Brought payment for the State Team Qualifier.

. Individual Qualifier : 56 players signed up (same as last year), however participation from Area
10 is 50% down.

Bill Wilhelm will make calls to increase participation.

Division 4 - Stephen Johnson

- . Roster : unchanged
- . Team Qualifier: 4 areas, total 41 teams
- . Individual Qualifier : set for 8/24/16; sign up is currently low, but too early to tell. Expect to reach 50 to 60 players, which is lower than in prior years. Perhaps age is taking its toll on our regular competitors.

Division 5 - Butch Evans could not be present. Gilbert Matossian provided some info for Area 29: Team Qualifier 5 teams competed for 1 spot. For the other areas, Bill Wilhelm read the results emailed by Butch Evans: Area 14 (8 teams), Area 22 (22 teams) and Area 27 (1 team).

Individual Qualifier was played on 7/7/16. 24 players made the cut for the Division 5 Qualifier, not including the Area and Division Chair who automatically qualify.

Policy Report

There is no rules change for 2016 which stand as follows:

- . an active SIR NCGA handicap is required for the State Individual and the State Team Championships tournaments, which include the Areas and Division Qualifiers;
- . for all other STATE tournaments (currently known as Reno, Napa, Fall Classic) organized by the SSGC, the tournament committee has the right to open the participation to non-SIR handicap players (i.e. handicap established through other than SIR but still a SIR member).

Jerry Strain confirmed that at the branch level, a SIR branch retains the sole and exclusive right to rule whether a SIR member player is required to have an active SIR handicap or have a handicap through another club.

2016 Reno Tournament June 20 to 23rd presentation by S. Johnson

All players (120 men, 17 ladies) were pleased by this tournament, the accommodations and the food (154 people at banquet). The hosts would like to see improvements made at the Reservation procedure (sign up): new spread sheet, weekly update and a more experienced operator. The Welcome Package did not include the latest Pairings drops/change for lack of prompt communication with the Atlantis Hotel.

Courses: All players were satisfied with the 3 courses; however Lakeridge was overbooked which caused 6 hour rounds.

2016 Team Event @ Poppy Ridge August 8th, Chairman Wilhelm

36 teams will be participating. There shall be 1 team per Area represented at the Area Qualifier; then the area(s) with the most participation will get extra teams.

Shotgun time is 9 am. Courses played are Zinfandel and Chardonnay, White tees will be used by ALL players.

2016 Fall Classic Cancelled

Some player-members complained the event was cancelled, however they didn't sign up on time. The SSGC had no choice but to cancel the event due to the contractual liability with the hotel.

2016 Individual Championship

Will be played at Laguna Seca as scheduled. Men white tees will be used for all 7 flights

2017 Tournaments Discussion:

Napa 2017. Set for April 24th and 25th, 2017. Chairman Wilhelm asked for the website to be updated by October 2016; and that all Areas and Branches be involved early in the process.

Reno 2017

- . Members voted to offer a 2day tournament, June 20 & 21st; check in check-in 6/19;
- . Two new price proposals have been asked: replacing the cocktail party with another reception; and 2days only with 1 reception (award banquet). Proposal expected from Atlantis (Conner).
- . COURSES: Red Hawk indicated they'll make a proposal for 2 days play, keep the clubs overnight and reduce the cost. Lakeridge was not supported by Stephen Johnson (overbooked in 2016) and by Jerry Strain. Wolf Run: received a negative feedback (rough is too tall).

- . Members discussed several ideas:
 - explore other places, however previous attempts did not produce satisfactory results.
 - reduce to \$70 per player into prize fund;
 - adjust handicap index to even the field , and reduce the impact of a lonely single digit Hdcp player on scoring;
 - go to a 4M2BB format rather than Scramble.

Bill Wilhelm to obtain further information from Conner (Atlantis), to decide if a 2 or 3 day event would work best. Bill Wilhelm will email SSGC members to vote.

Team Event 2017

Shall be held in August 2017.

Venue to be decided between Rancho Solana, Poppy Ridge and Woodbridge. Poppy Ridge is the most centrally located.

Gilbert Matossian asked for a review and discussion of the drives retirement for the C & D players in order to increase interest from the high handicap players; members agreed to look into it for 2017.

Fall Classic 2017.

Gilbert Matossian made a presentation of the proposals he received from 2 golf courses in the Fresno area: Fig Garden GC and Dragonfly GC. These are 2 popular well kept (NCGA uses Dragonfly for their local qualifiers) private semi- public courses.

Dave Betts had previously provided the board with a cost breakdown analysis it was decided to charge \$140 per player (fees \$90; Adm. \$10; hole in one \$1 and prize fund \$39).

Rich Seyler made the motion to play the 2017 Fall Classic at Fig Garden GC (9/18 at 8:30am) and Dragonfly GC (9/19 at 8am) at a cost of \$140 per player. Seconded by Peter Lamberston. Motion approved.

Secretary Gilbert Matossian is authorized to sign the two golf contracts. Suggested formats are Scramble (ABCD) for day 1 and 4Man2BB (form your own group) on day 2.

Individual Event 2017

The Monterey Peninsula location continues to be a major draw for our players. Chairman Wilhelm to obtain pricing proposals from Poppy Hills, Del Monte, and Laguna Seca. Bayonet/BlackHorse (cost) and Rancho Canada (fairways covered with Autumn leaves) were eliminated.

PRESENTATION by ILT

Tyler Flake made a presentation of his various golf/travel packages. Pricing per person for 7nights/8days, air included, vary: Cabo is \$1699 + golf, but all inclusive, Hawaii runs \$1599 + golf + food.

Golf is included at an extra cost on the course. ILT will run the tournament or SIR can run the tournament same cost. A prize fund can be included with the golf.

Payment is by check, credit cards are not accepted; Jerry Strain however indicated the possibility that SIR could provide a waiver.

Notice to sign-up is currently 10 months in advance.

No minimum participants required, but a SIR group could be added and made part of the main ILT a group.

ILT carries insurance liability (\$5million), trip insurance can be purchased at the time of making the reservation.

ILT will return to SIR State, \$25 for each SIR booked and 1 free trip for each 20 paid passengers; its cumulative.

Board Members agreed to pursue discussions with ILT and to explore the possibility of a trip to Mexico in January 2018 in celebration of SIR 60th Anniversary or sooner.

Feather-in- the Cap

Steven Johnson reported in 2016 he received 21 requests (12 for hole-in one, 9 for a player shooting his age) and already processed 17.

Next Meeting

Next meeting scheduled for Sunday October 16th, 2016 at 1pm, 23799 Monterey Salinas Highway, Salinas , CA 93908.

Adjourned by 1:00PM