



# General Membership Meeting

## April 1, 2025 Minutes

The meeting began at 12:35 p.m.

Judy Brooke, President, welcomed everyone to the 2025 golfing season!

Judy passed around a copy of the proposed new Bylaws to review before we voted on them later in the meeting.

- We have started our season off with 11 new members! Each mentor introduced the new member they are mentoring.

Catherine	O'Brien	Julie Marraccini
Gayle	Youngs	Debbie Steele
Helen	Brownfield (9-hole)	Vickie Oland
Linda	Houchin (9-hole)	Janet Brown (not present)
Linda	York	Bev Hefferly
Lorie	Wihtol (9-hole)	Gail Ellingwood
Mickey	Fisher (9-hole)	Jan Lieberman
Suzanne	MacCarty	Debbie Knapp
Vicki	Coates (9-hole)	Carla Rueff
Erin	Phillips	Phyllis Adair
Julie	Stanton	Joan Sciarini/Mary Milligan

- Judy recognized a few people who have helped get our new season set up this year:
  1. **Kathy Belvel**, our Technology Chair, dedicated numerous hours to updating our online application and managing all associated reporting tasks. Kathy also keeps our website up to date.
  2. **Debbie Steele**, our Treasurer, who tracked all the money coming in and made sure we were all paid up this year. Debbie helps to keep us fiscally accurate year-round.
  3. **Vickie Rutledge**, our Tournament Chair worked with a team consisting of Mary Milligan and Julie Marraccini to create this year's play schedule and assigned the monthly themes. One of Vickie's main responsibilities is to get each member added into Golf Genius so they can receive the weekly game sign-up notifications. She has also been training **Dale Ann Luzzi**, our Tournament Co-Chair. Thank you to Vickie and Dale Ann for setting up all our games for us, getting our score cards printed, and getting us organized on play day.

All of these ladies have worked hard to ensure the membership process was seamless and efficient for everyone.

- We have a new chair this year, **Felicia Sotomayor**, who will be the club's official photographer! Felicia let everyone know she can take your photo or/ or update your photo for the club website. She will also be out on the golf course taking pictures of us as we play on Tuesdays. She asked that we not take aim at her!
- We also have a couple of new co-chairs: Dale Ann Luzzi is Tournament Co-Chair and Phyllis Adair is Treasurer Co-Chair. Judy thanked both of these ladies for stepping into these roles.
- D-D Woodruff, our Raffle Sales Chair, explained how the monthly raffles work. She and Jan Leiberman, Raffle Sales Co-Chair, will sell raffle tickets at our monthly luncheons. The first ticket drawn will receive a portion of the money earned from ticket sales. The rest of the tickets drawn will receive prizes of "unspeakable value"!
- Vickie Rutledge, our Tournament Chair, explained some of our tournament procedures. Everyone received a wallet size card with Vickie and Dale Ann's phone numbers so they can call them directly if they need to change their weekly sign-up status or have questions for the 18-hole league. If members are playing in the 9-hole league on Wednesdays, Janet Brown and Carla Rueff's phone numbers are also on the card so they may be contacted. Members will receive a weekly email asking them to sign up to play for the next week. 18-hole league emails will go out on Tuesdays, and the 9-hole league emails will go out Wednesdays. When you click on the response, it will take you directly to Golf Genius and get you signed up or record your response if you will not be playing.
- Kathy Belvel assisted Vickie by demonstrating our website, Carson Valley Women's Golf Club (CVWGC) and explained how to sign in on the website. She also pointed out that it is a separate website than Golf Genius or NNGA websites. Members are encouraged to take time to log on and look at the website so they know where to find information when they need it.
- **WEEKLY RESULTS:** One of the requests from the 2024 club satisfaction survey was for the weekly results to be sent out via email. In past seasons, they were available in both Golf Genius, and in the monthly *Golf Gossip* newsletter. We voted on whether to have them available on Golf Genius only, sent out weekly via e-mail, or in the monthly Golf Gossip newsletter.

**From now on, the results will be distributed on Golf Genius only by unanimous vote.**

- **CLUB BYLAWS:** Everyone received a copy of the revised Bylaws by email on March 4<sup>th</sup> and hopefully reviewed them prior to this meeting. One copy was passed around at the beginning of the meeting for those who may not have read their email. No discussion on the proposed changes was needed.
  1. Vickie Rutledge motioned to accept the Bylaws as revised.
  2. Kathy Belvel, and others, seconded the motion.

3. The motion passed unanimously, and the revised Bylaws were accepted as revised.

- **INFORMATION PACKAGE:** All returning members received a packet of information at today's meeting. New members went through this information with their mentors in their information packet.
  - “Who to call to cancel your tee time” card (small). 3 strikes policy on back.
  - Net double bogey explanation; put w/clipboard
  - Information about the 9-hole Nine & Dine League
  - Information about the 18-hole League
    - These two leagues have different GGIDs to log onto Golf Genius to sign up to play, review tee sheets, and check play results.
    - 18-hole league GGID is CVWGC25 / 9-hole league GGID is CVW92025.
  - Golfing Goals
  - Two pace of play documents
  - A tournament schedule that includes start times, games we will be playing every week, and if it's a special event, including what our theme is for that month.
  - Website “map” letting us know where we can find information we're looking for on our website. We have a very informative website, and all members should take advantage of it.
- **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:** Everyone's participation in the club is needed to make sure we all have fun. There's an old adage, “Many hands make the load light.” We have monthly themed events and we are hosting Home 'N Home this year with both the Fallon and Dayton women's clubs. All these events need each member to be a valued volunteer to make our club a success. Please sign up for at least one volunteer opportunity.
- Members may also prefer to sign up to be a contributor for the “extra exciting” raffle prizes each month. We need three people to sign up each month who will commit to bring in an extra exciting raffle prize. The prize value should be between \$10-\$20.
- **Tee Off into the Adventurous World of golfing rules.** Each month a different board member will share a golfing rule with members which was another suggestion from the 2024 year end satisfaction survey. It was requested that members would be able to select a rule or rules they would like covered at a general membership meeting. If there is a golfing rule we want explained more fully, let Judy or a board member know what rule or rules we would like shared at the next general meeting, so the board can cover it for you.
- Another suggestion from the 2024 satisfaction survey was that the Board help improve socializing with others at the monthly general membership meetings and lunches. Every month we are going to incorporate a time of meet and greet. It will be a different format every month. At the meet and greet last week we did the “Who Am I” bingo game. We want everyone to get to know all of us!

- **BACK TO OUR RULE FOR THIS MONTH:** Today's topic was pace of play. Everyone received a couple of documents that we've had in our club for a couple of years that provide a lot of examples on how we can improve our own pace of play. The Board is committed to **NO FIVE HOUR ROUNDS** this year and we need everyone to join us in this commitment by learning and implementing the ideas on these documents. We will be recording finish times on the scorecards so we can identify what's taking place on the course. The Board is committed to reducing slow play by working with slower players to help them speed up their play. If they are unable to speed up their play, they may be asked to move to the nine-hole league. It is possible for players with a 54 handicap to maintain the pace of play without slowing it down. Please review the tips and tricks from these documents to become a golfer who finishes within 4-1/2 hours.
- **Goal Setting.** We had a number of ladies who reached one or more of their golfing goals last year and congratulations go out to them. It is worthwhile to create goals and work towards achieving them. Information about goal setting was sent out in the weekly eBlasts to help us think about our own golfing goals.

Everyone spent a few minutes writing up their 2025 golfing goals and they were collected.

- **RAFFLE PRIZE DRAWING:**

1st prize - \$155 was won by Jodi Davis.

2nd prize - Bev Hefferly

3rd prize- Suze Ericson

4th prize - Mickey Fisher

5th prize - Phyllis Adair

6th prize - Vickie Oland

7th prize - Kelly King

- **Let's have a great golfing season!**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.