

# **SANTA BARBARA WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB**

## **GENERAL MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by President Paula Nelson at 2:30 p.m.

Karen Robinson moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion was seconded.

Chris Talerico, Director of Golf, spoke to the Women's Club about the improvements that will be made to the course this year and the work that was done last year. The improvements must be made in a timely manner in accordance with the grants provided for the work. He said that the first phase of this year's improvements will begin on hole 16 by the Creeks Division of the City of Santa Barbara. This will involve the removal of trees that are obstructing the earth moving second phase of the plan. The second phase will begin after Memorial Day and involves the building of a water catchments on hole 16, holes 1 and 18, the right side of hole 3, and between the tee boxes on holes 5 and 9. The purpose of these bio-swell catch basins is to lower the bacteria levels of the water before it flows into Arroyo Burro Beach. Other improvements involve the building of an extra tee box on hole 17 on the left side of the fairway above the top of the hill. This is for players that may not be able to hit the ball over the hill. The Parks and Recreation Department will do improvements in tandem with the Creeks Division as a way to save money. The improvements by the Parks and Recreation department involve new greens on holes 5 and 11, and replacing the remaining cart paths that have not been done yet. Chris said that while there will be some disruption to the course this summer, in the long run the native plants and new trees will add to the course's beauty. He also spoke about the tax that may be put on green fees, carts, driving ranges, and golf lessons. He asked that anyone who is interested in trying to stop this tax please write their legislators. More information is available online at [www.forecalif.com](http://www.forecalif.com).

Treasurer Kay Sharpe reported that the club has 117 members that have renewed their membership for 2009. She said that the budget for 2009 will be the same as 2008 with the exception of a \$100 increase to the Social budget. The total club funds as of December 31, 2008 are \$8,652.13. The team funds are \$671.95 and the hole-in-one funds are \$267.00.

Tournament Chair Carolyn Nielsen encouraged hostesses to provide a sample score card on the day of their tournament. This would provide guidance when the players are filling their scorecards out for the game. She asked that the card be dated and signed by the scorer and by the person who attested the score. Carolyn asked that hostesses post the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board a month ahead of their tournament date. She also

encouraged hostesses to play more games rather than low net and low gross. If any one needs ideas for games to play they can contact her.

Joyce Metz will be the hostess for the Match Play tournament on March 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. She asked the members who are playing in the tournament to be sure they sign up one week in advance.

Handicap Chair Judy Borrell announced that the most improved player for January is Joyce Metz. Joyce will receive \$12 that will be redeemable through the Pro Shop.

Membership Chair Fumie Sato brought the 2009 Membership Directories. Any member who did not get their directory at the luncheon can pick it up in the Pro Shop next to the computer. She introduced two new members, Judy Porter and Suzanne Polansky, at the meeting.

Social Chair Patti Shaw asked that people who want to come to the luncheons but had not signed up, to call her before they come so that she can change the count for the restaurant. She also asked that the checks for the luncheons be made out to SBWGC, not to her.

Pub Links Representative Sharon De La Vega said that Donna Dishman and Kay Sharpe were going to the Pub Links meeting on Friday Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> and would attend the Rules Meeting and the Team Play Meeting. They will bring the Pub Links books back with them to be dispersed to the membership. The books will be available to pick up in the Pro Shop. Nettie Peterson said that 146 women went to the away game in Nashville last year. This year it will be in New Orleans.

Ringers Chair Sue Viegele said that Wed. Feb 4<sup>th</sup> was the 5<sup>th</sup> week of the ringers contest. She said that there are 3 more weeks that scorecards can be turned in and in case of rain, the time will be extended.

Old Business – Paula said that the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Women's Club will be this year in June. Jacki Ewing said that we are going to have a tournament and luncheon to celebrate the anniversary instead of a Member/Guest tournament this year. Past club champions and members no longer playing will be invited to join the celebration. No date has been decided upon yet.

New Business – Raffle tickets were sold by Kay Sharpe at the luncheon. Fifty percent of the proceeds would go towards the team play fund and the other fifty percent would be paid to three winning ticket holders.

The winners of the Grandmothers Tournament were: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Barbara Harlow, 2<sup>nd</sup>. place – Pat Martzen, and 3<sup>rd</sup>. place – Mo Masson. The newest Grandmother was Anne Wunsch and the newest Great-Grandmother was Doris O'Brien. The follow-the-field winners for Low Gross – 1<sup>st</sup>. place Fumie Sato and 2<sup>nd</sup> place Sue Wilcox. Low Net winners – 1<sup>st</sup> place Emily Dempster and 2<sup>nd</sup>. place Nettie Peterson.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Susan Trenchel, Secretary