

Tor Hill Ladies Golf Club
Semi Annual General Meeting
September 28, 2023

1. Call Meeting to Order

Val called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved by Carol Michel and seconded by Wendy Uytterhagen.

3. Minutes April 25, 2023

Approved by Faye Shanner and seconded by Anita Ford.

4. President's Report

Val thanked the outgoing Executive - Janice Pointer, Afternoon Handicap; Lorna Dopson and Sheena Walker, Prize Committee; Del Robinson, Afternoon Captain; Wendy Uytterhagen, Treasurer; Mariann Rasmussen, Past President. She also wanted to welcome whoever was new to the Executive team. Val also thanked Evan Lang and his staff in the Pro Shop for their kindness and accommodating the Ladies Club to keep a good relationship with Western Golf Management.

The Map Grant was successful again this year. We were able to send a team of 3 ladies to the Pro Lady, a team to the Rose Bowl and a team of 4 ladies to the Interclub. She recommends if lessons are offered next year, they be at a reduced rate. Hopefully we can send two teams to the Rose Bowl.

5. Treasurer Report: Wendy Uytterhagen

Please see the report attached.

Wendy reported that approximately \$1,455 will be donated to Transition House.

She reported that we had a membership of 149 ladies, with 121 full members.

Sandra Huber will be replacing Wendy as our new Treasurer.

6. Committee Reports

Handicap – Elly Blackstock

Elly said her role is to help members to obtain and maintain an accurate Handicap Index. The Handicap Index ensures each member can equally compete in all types of fun games and competitions within the club and outside the club. Some stats of the Morning Section scores entered show that on average 75% of members entered their scores this past season.

An established Handicap Index is a requirement to play in the fun games the Captains organize throughout the year. An established Handicap Index is also a requirement to play in any of the tournaments run by the Tournament Committee. This year she performed audits on scores entered for Tuesday's games. Any questions on scoring was brought to each member's attention on a case-by-case basis. This year she provided assistance to members when the audits showed:

- the Yellow/White Hybrid tee box was selected versus the Forward(Yellow) tee box
- a different group of courses was selected than what the Tuesday draw indicated
- plus, a few other one off situations

For those interested, she can discuss the impact above mentioned situations have on your Handicap Index anytime after this meeting.

She appreciates everyone's receptiveness to her audit findings.

Thanks to Linda Collins for the time she spent at the beginning of the year to pass on her Handicap Chair Knowledge. Also, thanks to Janice Pointer for the guidance she provided throughout the year.

Lastly, for those of you who are going to continue to golf throughout the winter, please continue to enter your scores into the Golf Canada website. All games played on Golf Canada Associated Facilities, whether they are in Canada or elsewhere, are to be recorded. She looks forward to continuing in this role next year.

Morning – Joanne Merk

Since April the morning group have lost 3 members to cancer.

Cheryl Wilkinson who was an associate member from the Murray.

Carmen Goldfinch-Dube who absolutely LOVED to golf.

Jean Wesson was a long time member at Tor.

Joanne asked the group to please raise your glass to these 3 wonderful members.

We had 85 members so most Tuesday's we had a full schedule. This season we started with several online forms and she thanked all for engaging in these new processes.

We had great participation in Match play (16 members), Best Ball (10 groups). Thanks to Helen as she provided her with a book of new games. We played the 28/14 competition as a full club. Tough to accomplish this but some members did. Hopefully we play this again next season but maybe we just create a board and as people accomplish they place their name with date on it. Not everything requires a prize.

List of winners for birdies, chip ins etc can be found on the Tor Hill Ladies website under the morning tab.

Match Play: Donna and Heather – 168, Mamin and Marlene 169

Hole in One – Deb Huber and Marilyn Yanick

Eclectic Tournament – Fran Berglund, Marlene Taylor

Best Ball Partners – Donna Cameron and Heather Menzies

Match Play – Linda Collins, Mamin Lee-Sing

Birdies – Sherry Huyghebaert (6), Sandra Huber (by 4, tied with Keely Reibling)

Chip Ins – Lanceen Moorhead (7), Mamin Lee-Sing (5)

Thanks to Elly for coming up with a new process for capturing scores for our weekly events. This process will get fine-tuned over the winter.

Several morning members have signed up for committee work next year, thank you

Everyone stay healthy over the winter.

Afternoon. – Del Robinson

In her final report she used the letters of Tor Hill for her message

T is for "Terrific" and "Thank you!"

Thanks everyone for a terrific 2023 season. I'd like to thank you - the club members for actively engaging in our club. I appreciate the support of you - the members, the Executive team, as well as Evan and the staff at Western Golf Management in accommodating our Tuesday afternoon golf schedule. A couple of other nice gestures was to provide complimentary range balls during the Club Championship

and to continue booking tee times for golf in October. Thanks to all of you for supporting our charitable donations.

O is for "Outstanding" We had outstanding participation throughout the season! Each week approximately 75% of our members signed up to golf.

R is for "Recognition" and "Results" I'm pleased to recognize the results of our competitions and golf accomplishments that ran throughout the season.

Best Ball Competition

This year we had eight teams participate in the best ball competition. Congratulations to the winners Jeanniene Kanciruk and Anita Ford with a score of 176

Birdies

Eleven members recorded birdies this season. Congratulations to Judy Giblett who had 9 birdies this season (including 3 birdies on August 21st)! There was a tie for the runner up with 5 birdies each between Anita Ford and Del and through a random draw Del was the lucky 2nd place finisher.

Eagles

No eagles recorded in the 2023 season at Tor Hill hopefully there are plenty next year.

Chip-Ins

With a fantastic short game including 7 chip-ins throughout the season let's congratulate Anita Ford. Great accomplishment! Second place is awarded to Del Robinson with 6 chip-ins. Twenty-one members recorded

Match Play

Congratulations to our match play champion - Heather Dootoff who won the A side. The runner up was Joana Coubrough.

Club 28/14

A new event was added this year called Club 28/14. The objective of the event is to monitor and improve putting. The top 3 players who have the most entries of 28 or less putts for 18 holes (or 14 for 9 holes) are acknowledged as winners of the full club event.

Congratulations to Maureen Reichert who had three games with 28 or less putts this season. Second place was a tie between Anita Ford and me.

This full club event featured 12 golfers who became members of Club 28 this season.

H is for "Handicap"

Although there is no longer a formal award for the most improved golfer Del would like to acknowledge that over 20 members have improved their handicap this season.

I is for "Initiatives"

This season we incorporated some new initiatives – primarily based on suggestions from the fall 2022 survey and also based on opportunities to streamline and improve processes.

Thanks again to members who participated in last fall's survey. Del appreciated all of the suggestions and would like to acknowledge and compliment Vicky Hammer who submitted two great ideas. One of her suggestions was to occasionally blend the afternoon participants and the "Mix and Mingle" was introduced to the Afternoon ladies. It was so well received it was incorporated as a full club event. Golfers had an opportunity to play with other club golfers and socialize following golf with games and treats.

Vicky's second recommendation was to provide clarity about the Tuesday events. Del incorporated a summary of events that included a detailed description and objective of the event, indicated how scores were calculated, what golfers needed to do and additional comments about this event. This great idea was beneficial to all members and especially for new members.

Another initiative worth noting – that streamlined scoring was having members complete their own event scoring for the last two-thirds of the season. Now it takes 5 minutes to do the scoring thanks to the members who adopted this approach.

Del incorporated “Fairway Fortunes” into our communication to celebrate and acknowledge accomplishments this season.

The most rewarding initiatives this season were additional charitable contributions and donations. This year we collected books for the Pasqua Hospital Auxiliary as well as collected tabs from cans turning “Silver into Gold” in support of helping kids with cancer and childhood cancer awareness.

The first “L” in Hill represents “Love of the game of golf”

Based on scores that were entered into Golf Canada - since the beginning of May until September 24th the afternoon golfers recorded a total of 1,581 games. Vicky Hammer and Pat Scrimbitt exceeded 70 rounds of golf! Three afternoon members played more than 60 games. And 7 golfers play more than 50 rounds!

Within the 1,581 games there were: 2,066 pars and 6,622 bogeys.

The second “L” is for “Laughter”. We’ve had plenty of fun this season and experienced a lot of great belly laughs! Hearing the laughter in the clubhouse after a round of golf is a reminder of why we all enjoy golfing at Tor Hill!

Tournament Committee - Anita Ford, Jeanniene Kanciruk

The Tournament Committee organized five tournaments this year, as well as taking on the Pro Lady, Rose Bowl and Interclub. We would like to say a Big Thank You to everyone who participated in the tournaments and all the volunteers who contributed to the success of the events.

Tee at Tor Open Tournament was held on Thursday, July 6 with 84 golfers which was up from last year. The entry fee remained the same as the previous year at \$90.00 per person. The proceeds from the Raffles and 50/50 went to the Regina Transition House.

This year the **Club Championship** was held on Monday, August 21 and Tuesday, August 22 with 52 golfers. There were three divisions; Amateur, Senior 60+ and Masters 70+ with four flights.

And finally, we want to pass along a very Big Thank You to those who volunteered and assisted the Tournament Committee during gathering year with the tabulation of the results and other duties.

Social Committee -Connie Cumming

The Tor Hill Social Committee organized three events this year, as well as assisted in the mix and mingle event. On July 6, 2023 Tee at Tor was held and 85 golfers attended. We tried a new menu item Ukrainian Dinner which was well received. The Social Club will be reviewing the cost of food in the coming year. Finally, the Fall Banquet has been planned and will be held on September 28, 2023. At each event there was a 50/50 draw and donations to a charitable organization. Gift basket were raffled off at each event. The Social Committee is responsible for organizing the food, prizes and liaison with the Club. It is only with the help of our pool of volunteers that we can plan and hold these events. A huge thank-you to all who donated and volunteered this year.

Prize Committee – submitted by Theresa Dahlman

Val, on behalf of Theresa, stated that we had a great 2023 golf season. The Tee at Tor was successful with sponsorship and prizes for our flights. The Prize Committee stayed in budget for 2023. It was great working with Lorna and Sheena for the last couple of years. Looking forward to 2024."

Website – Linda Reakes

This has been a year of changes to give the members an easier access to club information and signup sheets.

The bonus to having the buttons for registrations etc. is the google forms and sheets can be updated and shared with the members without having to sign into the website itself. Linda was informed that google sheets sign in was not accessible by some members and will look into that issue. Other than that there has been a positive response to the changes. She is hoping to change a couple of important pages on the site.

One will be the membership signup form.

- i. Propose there will be a new google form rather than the website included form. The google forms are more intuitive and provide easier and better spreadsheet information for the treasurer, handicap, and captain to access.
- ii. Linda will be experimenting with the form to include new member section, associate member section and a section for existing members to register therefore updating contact information for each member.

The second will be the contact page.

- i. Testing the possibility of having separate contacts for captains, handicap, tournament, as well as general. This should make contacting the proper officers without having questions be forwarded through the website person and VP

Linda may do some testing regarding the club information. She has made a Tor Hill Ladies Club membership with Canva. With that account we should be able to make a booklet that can be embedded into the website rather than arduous number of pages. The nice thing about this is any changes can be made on the booklet without doing so in the website. For example, if the executive wants to make a change to the club events anyone with editorial permission can do so on the Canva site and it will automatically update on the website.

Making the website as easy to update as possible in the off season is a target in preparation for new executive members to use.

Regina Ladies Open- Kathy Reiss

Thanks again to the Tor Hill Ladies for providing muffins and coffee at day one of the 2023 RLO. In the 2023 RLO more than 20 of the 81 golfers were from Tor Hill or the Murray. Thank you for supporting the tournament with your registration. In the survey following the RLO there were many compliments about Tor Hill. They included a friendly and helpful staff, course condition, and the food served. There were several general comments from golfers saying they enjoyed their day at Tor Hill. I am happy to advise that the RLO will be held June 24th and 25th, with day one being at the Murray Golf Course and day two at Tor Hill Golf Course. I am very much looking forward to these two courses being highlighted next year.

7. Presentation of Awards

Tor Hill Ladies Logo Award of \$100.00 was presented to Winanne Downey

Club Championship Winners were:

Elly Blackstock - Overall Low Net

Mamin Lee-Singh - Masters Champion

Sherry Huyghebaert – Senior Champion

Judy Giblett – Club Champion

Hole in One Pictures were presented to Marilyn Yanick (morning), Deb Huber (morning) and Karen Lowe (afternoon from last year)

8. New Business – present revised Bylaws – Mariann Rasmussen

Mariann reviews the new Bylaws.

She spoke to the difficulty in finding volunteers, length of service and a strategy moving forward. A Focus Group was created; they prepared and presented a proposal to the Club Executive. The Executive decided the bylaws needed some revisions and to come into the future with technology. The new Bylaws were revised and submitted to the Executive for review; a few revisions were made then forwarded to the membership for their review. The membership were advised if they had questions to submit them electronically to Mariann with copies to the President and Vice President. The questions that were submitted were answered. Mariann asked the membership at the meeting if there were any other questions from the floor. There were no questions.

Mariann asked for a show of hands if there was anyone against the revisions and there were zero. Shirley Raab made a motion to approve the new Bylaws, Seconded by Wendy Uytterhagen.

Revisions to new Bylaws were passed and effective September 28, 2023.

9. Election of Officers

Shirley Raab and Joanne Merk presented to the membership the new Tor Hill Ladies Executive.

Joanne dropped off a list at the tables for everyone to view.

They explained that the ballots were based on new Bylaws which are similar to the one of Golf Saskatchewan. There were four new positions filled by acclamation so no voting on positions was necessary. They thanked Mariann and everyone who assisted with the recruitment of the executive and volunteer positions..

10. Adjournment

Val adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.