

TVLGA-18 Opening Luncheon Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2023

Teresa Reed, President, welcomed everyone and introduced our sponsors, Donnie Iverson (present) from Merrill Lynch, Paige Trammel (present) for Bruce Martin, State Farm and Nick Broomell, Maria and son, (all present) for Imperial Painting. Also, but not present was Loren Plemmons from Tellico Title and Trust, Karen Packett from Lake Home Realty and Steve at Patterson Appliances.

Teresa introduced the executive board members, Meri Coles-Vice President, Sandra Campbell-Membership Chair, Dolores Franzen-Secretary, Patti Miller-Member at Large/Publicity, Cindy Chalfant-Past President and Debbie Long-Treasurer.

Teresa introduced Casey Flenniken, Director of golf at Tellico Village, who spoke about Tellico Village temporary clubhouse at Tanasi until our new clubhouse is built. Thanked everyone for being patient while tolerating our inconvenience at Tanasi while in transition. He mentioned a new 9 hole league will be available on Thursday's afternoon and is currently in the birthing process.

Teresa thanked Lucas Forstrom and Sharon Lemelman, our golf pros, for the continued effort to support our league success.

Business Meeting:

Teresa, called the business meeting to order and requested October minutes to be approved. Motion was made by Linda Kozlowski and was seconded by Pam Wilkiel.

Debbie Long briefly reviewed the 2023 budget with \$10K for our budget and \$9K for our expenses. Debbie thanked Carolyn Sherwood for her helpful assistance in the transfer of the treasurer task. Debbie also reminded us to utilize the golf lesson gift cards given out by Donnie Iverson because the cash is sitting in our checking account waiting to be used.

Sandra Campbell introduced the new 2023 New Members and their Big Sisters.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Big Sister</u>
Kate Grady	Shari Polansky
Sarah Havens	Kathryn Ward
Linda Kozlowski	Maureen Patton
Patti Miller	Kelly Cox
Patty Prince	Jerri Haibach
Pam Skinner	Doris Drulard
Michelle Spicer	Beverley Lombard
Pam Wilkiel	Sue McSherry

Tracey Courtney Arnall will host and announced the Member-Member and Give Back Day event (held together) is May 22 and 23rd at Kahite. Applications and details will be posted to the website shortly.

Beth Hritz is the President of KAWGA as well as Head Event Coordinator for 2023. The KAWGA tournament will be held at Toqua on June 26th and 27th. Applications are on our website and are welcomed to join. Great opportunity to golf at the local private golf courses and meeting other golfers.

Kate Grady will host the Member-Guest event to be held on September 29th and 30th. A change for 2023 event is all Tellico female residents are welcome to participate in this event.

Meri Coles – vice president was introduced and had the following comments:

Welcomed all new members the TVLGA 18 hole league. Potential members are always welcome to play as a guest to see if our league is a “fit” for them. In fact, I met a lady new to the village when I was in Toqua pro shop a month ago. She is going to join us next week at Kahite to see if she is interested in joining permanently.

As VP, my job is to basically handle the weekly events. Once golf operation’s has assigned us a course, I create the weekly schedule of games. Based on your feedback last fall, we are trying to simplify the games this year. In order to do this, we have reduced the variety of games. The schedule is available on our website at TVGLA18.com.

We always try to have PIN-day once a month. For those that are new, PIN-day is an individual game; flighted by tee color and handicap. Our first PIN-day is actually next week at Kahite.

All other games will be a 2-person or 4-person team event. These team events will consist of 4 different games. The descriptions of each game will be on our website and Lucas, our golf pro, will explain them before play.

We will have a little twist to team events this year. Periodically, you will be able to choose your partner for a 2-person game or partners for a 4-person game. You will designate your partners when you sign up on Chelsea. Our first “you choose” event isn’t until June 20th so you have plenty of time to think about your team or you can still sign up without a partner and Lucas will pair you. We are trying the “you choose” game because they do this in the MGA (men’s league) and it is always very well attended. We want to try new things to encourage more participation.

Another item to note on the schedule is there are two Tuesday’s that we will not have league. The first one is June 13th as the men’s member/guest tournament and all of our pros are committed to that event. You can play that day by making your own tee times with your own playing partners through Chelsea.

We will not have an assigned course or shotgun start so basically the day is treated just like any non-league day. We cannot block a group of tee times either because if we don't fill up the block then the Village is losing revenue as another golfer could be playing.

The other Tuesday we will not have league is June 27th. We are hosting the KAWGA tournament that day so many of you will be playing in the tournament. Unfortunately, if you are not playing in KAWGA, you will not be able to play as the 9-holer league and Linksters league will be on the other courses.

Another notable schedule difference is our League Championship. In the past, we have always played it on a Monday and Tuesday. Since we have minimal participation, we are not using all the blocked tee times on Mondays which caused lost revenues. Therefore, we are going to have our championship on 2 different Tuesdays (Aug 29 and Sept 5). If you don't want to play in the championship you can still play on that league day as we will have a separate game.

We are also going to try a "Guest" day this year. It will be on Sept 19th which is toward the end of the season. This will allow you to invite a member of the 9-holer league or someone that doesn't play on a TV leagues to see if they would be interested in joining our league the following year. You can still play without inviting a guest but we want to encourage it as we need to grow our league. We are the smallest league according to numbers. You can even invite multiple guests.

As you can see, we are trying many new things with the schedule this year. Some things will work and some won't work, but please, don't hesitate to voice your opinions with me. The only thing I ask that if it's negative, you wait until after golf.

Hopefully, you received my email on Saturday with the electronic file consisting of the members name, phone numbers, address and email. This format replaces the paper directory distributed in past years. Please review your information in this file and let me if you see a correction is needed. The electronic format is a cost reduction for us all. If you need a paper copy, let me know and I will get a paper copy to you. I will email a new list periodically when we have changes/corrections or new members.

I want to thank Patti Miller for doing all the work preparing the format of the attractive Saturday email I just mentioned. Patti was very helpful in training me with this task and she also introduced/developed the idea of the "QR" code that we put on our business cards. A potential member can use their phone to scan the code and it will take them directly to our website. Patti also helped me design a new logo for our league. You can see the logo on the table tents.

I will be looking for a Vice President for next year. If you are interested, it would be beneficial to shadow me this year to make the transition that much easier for you. Our league will not survive unless people step up and serve. There are many positions and skills that we need, so please, think about how you can serve our league.

There was no new business from the audience.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was by Linda Kozlowski and 2nd by Sandra Douglas.

Respectfully submitted

Dolores Franzen
Secretary – TVLGA-18