

NORTHERN DISTRICT MEETING MARCH 27, 2021

The meeting was held in Deland and called to order at 10:00 with Christine Guimarra leading in a silent prayer and pledge allegiance to the flag.

The following were present: President- Rod Lewis (has taken over for Lorraine Layton), Secretary – Arlene Jabaut, Treasurer – Bonnie Goetzinger (elected to replace Mary Ann Pabst), Doris Hanke – State Delegate and Jerry Jabaut – Alternate State Delegate. Absent were – 3rd Vice President – Sharon Johnson; Past President – Lorraine Layton and Keeper of Records – Bill Boyes.

New Officers were introduced: 1st Vice-President, Bill Jones; Paul Hodges -2nd Vice President; and Rick Enright –4th Vice President.

Rod started the meeting by discussing the fact that due to COVID, we have not had a meeting since March 8, 2020. There are FSA protocols (which were revised February 23, 2021), that need to be adhered to. (These protocols are listed on the FSA website.)

READING OF THE MEETINGS: A motion was made by Bonnie Goetzinger to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Bill Jones.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Bonnie gave the Financial Report, explaining that we had difficulty changing banks and transferring the account. This was because Lorraine is in Canada and the mail was very slow. This was necessary due to the fact that Mark Engle has resigned due to poor health and was in no condition to sign papers. The account has been established and Bonnie is able to deposit funds and pay bills. Rod is co-signer on the account which will make financial matters easier if Bonnie is unavailable. A motion was made by Arlene to accept the Treasurers Report and seconded by Jerry.

ROLL CALL OF CLUB PRESIDENTS:

HACIENDA DEL RIO: Dick Wood, Absent CLERBROOK: Dick Kolcyncki- Absent; HOLIDAY RV VILLAGE: Tom Basner – Absent; INVERNESS: Howard Chambers – Absent; LAKE POINT: Patty Foster - Absent; PARKWOOD OAKS: Mike Boskoitch – Absent; SOUTHERN PALMS: Max Kent – Absent.

QUAIL HOLLOW: Dave Hall – Present Dave commented that at the present time, the club is not having playing shuffleboard due to COVID.

CORONADO MAINLAND: Zak Wonson- We have had a good year without any COVID cases. We have set up strict protocols and the City allowed the club to open prior to other City Park facilities. Playing every day since late April. There are 40 people on a waiting list to join. We are going to start raising money for our future tournaments. Last year \$1400 was raised in 3 weeks and it is anticipated to be the same or more for the next season. If anyone would like to come over to play, give us a call, we would love to have you join us. On Fridays we have split our Pros and Ams and had a 4 week tournament with each player paying \$1.00, which is distributed to the winners at the end of 4 weeks. We have introduced the use of the Mulligan,

whereby players had the opportunity of taking one shot over during each game. Another is assigning a handicap to players depending on their ability and winning record. We also play with a penalty of 5 points of each time you miss scoring your hammer. Each day there is a host responsible for setting up the courts, temperatures check, assigning court numbers for players, cleaning the courts, and the players are on alternate courts.

ORMOND BEACH: Jerry Barr has had COVID and now has pneumonia. Cliff Drapeau was here representing the club.

MID FLORIDA LAKES: Donna Lewis representing the Club: They have been playing a couple times a week, with nine to ten new members. Six have gotten their FSA numbers and are excited about playing tournaments. They are working on getting their courts done and hope to get them done next year. The Complex has given the Club some new materials and they have redone the clubhouse. Donna wanted to thank all the past and present officers. Commenting that the Board is comprised of volunteers and she wants to thank everyone.

HAWTHORNE: Bill Jones representing Stephen Smith – They are not having any tournaments but are playing on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The courts are all being redone and should be completed in about 4 weeks.

DELAND: John Guimarra – They are playing 3 days a week. They are hopeful of getting their courts redone before the tournaments start in October.

TRAVARES: Mary Jane Newmann – They have had no cases of COVID. The club is playing Tuesdays and Saturdays. They have had up to 22 players. They are beading their courts and she has put in a request to the City to have the Courts redone. If the City does not approve the funds, they intend to go on Facebook and do a Go Fund Me campaign.

LEESBURG: Al Dronsfield - The courts are refinished and sealed. He thanks Walt Bartels for working on their disk. He has set out to attract new members and has 12 new members for a total of 72 members. Practicing is on Tues and Thursdays. They have accepted their 3rd State Tournament for the new season. The new members are very eager to help set up and to clean up. He has initiated that the players on each court are responsible for their court cleanup. He is looking forward to the new season with all the new members. The State Tournaments that they held this season were very successful.

TOP OF THE WORLD: Annette Hodges commented that there is not much interest in tournament play. This is mainly a social club. Paul and Daryl Kenyon are teaching a little. They are playing every other court. They have had no cases of the virus.

Arlene added comments regarding Coronado: Mike Beall is the new Court Manager and along with Zak has been very busy keeping our club in good repair. They are continuously maintaining our disk. On Mondays Zak and Jerry have been giving lessons to the newer members.

DISCUSSION:

Rod read a letter from Lorraine regarding her tenure and thanking everyone for their assistance while she was President. (A copy of this letter is attached.)

Rod discussed the Preview and that the cost has increased. There will no longer be any Free pages and the following will be the cost of advertising: One-quarter page \$50.00; One-half page \$90.00; Full page \$150.00. The order forms were passed out and it is on the FSA website as well as instructions for the Preview, along with the form for the list of Officers. This can be delivered to either Rod or Paul Hodges. (PHodges@Mail.com or 9269 SW 94th Loop, Ocala, FL 34481). Paul will need pictures from each club and emphasized that this information along with a check will be needed before the end of April.

Doris spoke for Sharon regarding the pins to be awarded. All the pins have been distributed and two additional HOF jackets have been delivered to Jan Dally and Cheryl Cole. The jackets that would have been delivered at the Master's Banquet were given out individually in March of 2020. There was no cost to the District for any of the printing, because we had purchased the jacket from Kaylene. If anyone was missed in the awarding of pins, please let us know.

2021-2022 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

Doris advised that we have 17 active clubs and she has completed the schedule for 21-22, which will be posted on the ND website. She talked about the Tournament Directors and handed out a list of the designated Director for each of the Tournaments. Doris is now certified to direct the State Tournaments. This schedule will be posted on the ND website. Rick Enright suggested changing the TOC to 24 frames, (12 frames on Yellow and 12 frames on Black, with the highest score at the end of 24 frames being the winner. He feels that this would facilitate the completion of all games in one day). A motion was made by Rick to make this change seconded by Bonnie. A vote was taken and denied. A vote was taken to accept the schedule as presented and it was unanimously agreed upon. Doris emphasized that we are always looking for Tournament Directors and that anyone interested should contact her. The following are Tournament Directors: Bonnie Goetzinger, Gail Howell, Rick Enright, Rodney Lewis, Stephen Smith, Gale Lynch, Bonnie and Randy Radke, Mary Ann Pabst, Richie Burrell, and Doris Hanke (Doris is also qualified as State Director).

MOVE UP POINTS:

Bill Boyes proposed that due to COVID 19 restrictions, the year 20-21 be disregarded due to the fact that no points could be accumulated because of lack of play. Therefore, the three-year point accumulation would disregard 20-21 and be carried over to 21-22 for move up eligibility.

REGISTRATION FEE AND PROTOCOL FEES:

It has been suggested by the FSA that a \$2.00 fee can be collected with the Tournament Fee to cover COVID supplies. (THIS IS NOT MANDATORY). The question came up as to how this additional fee was to be addressed in the Financial Report. It was suggested that it be added

into the Sponsorship monies, which would require distribution of this fee in the prize money. Rod had a conversation with Dave Kudro regarding this fee. Dave suggested that if \$2.00 is collected it should be divided between the Club, the District, the Tournament Director and prize money. This \$2.00 would be added to the entry fee as Protocol Monies. (AGAIN THIS \$2.00 IS NOT MANDATORY.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Rod talked about the Standing Rules and the fact they are very outdated. We discussed them and bill has been working on them for the past year. Rod would like to table this and work on it throughout the summer and bring up changes at the next meeting.

LORRAINE: Arlene discussed the fact that Lorraine took over at a very difficult time when Pat King passed. The Board was not supplied with any past information from the past president and many hours were spent by Lorraine and the Board trying to get reorganized and straightened out. It is felt that a Thank You to Lorraine and Ivan would be appropriate for all their efforts. Donna suggested a bouquet of flowers with a gift card. Arlene made a motion to send a bouquet of flowers and a gift card for dinner not to exceed \$100. Jerry seconded the motion and it was approved.

ORANGE CITY: Orange City has withdrawn from the District. John Guimarra has been in contact with the City to try to obtain permission to get the club up and running. Walt Bartels would like to take this over for Alice and Roger. Zak mentioned that he has discussed with John the possibility of combining a three club membership to play at each club.

INDUCTION OF OFFICERS: Doris led the officers in the swearing in of their oath of office.

NEW BUSINESS: The new schedule was presented to everyone for review. The TOC has been assigned to Deland and the Master's to Hawthorne. Coronado Mainland has been assigned the two tournaments that had been held at Orange City.

Rod recommended alternating the Board meeting site between Deland and possibly Hawthorne. Rick Enright commented that he feels that Deland is the most central area for everyone. John Guimarra answered Doris's question regarding the availability to of the site for meetings and John replied that there is no problem getting the facility.

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION:

After much discussion regarding pre-registration for future tournaments. It was decided that this would be a good procedure. There would have to be one designated person for Tournament Registration. One person would be the contact and that person would contact the Director for that designated Tournament. Suggestion was made that Bill Boyes set up a

website for pre-registration. Any Monday Tournament would have to have registration submitted by noon of the Sunday before. Registration for Thursday tournaments would be required by Wednesday noon. This list would then be delivered to the Director for that designated Tournament. If Bill can set this up on the ND website, everything could be accomplished through that site.

Regarding the reading of the minutes, John Guimarra questioned the mention of each club having at least \$100 additional funds to add to the prize money. This was never voted on or approved.

Bonnie mentioned that as a District we should have 20 clubs and at present we have only 17. We do have a waiver from the State regarding this. We should be trying to recruit some of the smaller clubs.

Jerry made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Doris. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM

Respectfully submitted.
Arlene Jabaut
Secretary