

Birdie Not Golf League

2010 Preseason Meeting - March 1, 2010

Minutes:

1. Discussed league fees: New fee is \$60.00 per player, due at meeting. Defending champs pay no fee and the defending 2nd place team members pay only half price (\$30.00 per player.) Seth Shankle will serve as Treasurer this year.

2. Discussed league openings:

Victor House will not return this year. Todd Wege will fill Victor's spot with two players, Russ and Randy, sharing time. The signup fee for this spot can be paid in the manner that the team decides, with the player expecting to play the majority to be listed as the "official" partner.

John Runyon returns as Paul Grey's partner.

Steve and Josh will not return this year. Paul Michaels may be interested in becoming a full-time member, and should be given first chance to join based on his previous league experience. Paul Grey will follow up. If Paul Michaels declines, the openings for this team will be filled by lottery where the names of suggested new members are drawn from a hat. Four new members were suggested; two from Bill and two from Arvil.

3. Discussed latest rule changes voted in at the end of 2009 season, which will be added to our official Rules and Regulations:
 - a. Mark your opponent's ball. Arvil questioned the wording of this rule change, wondering if it meant that he was required to mark his opponent's ball. After much discussion and several votes, it was decided that the rule change meant that you have the option to mark your opponent's ball and may do so as stipulated, or you may choose not to mark your opponent's ball. You do not have the option to refuse to allow your opponent to mark your ball.
 - b. Any player with three no-shows with no sub is not invited back next year.
 - c. New weekly prize of \$20.00 is awarded to the player who beats his average by the largest margin. Subs are ineligible.
4. Discussed proposals for rule changes: Arvil suggested the following:
 - a. Eliminate the "you are allowed to improve your lie" rule, and instead play the ball as it lies. This rule change was voted down. The rule regarding improving your lie remains unchanged.
 - b. Add a new rule that requires both teams to keep score and compare cards at the end of the match, with one official scorecard being turned in to the scorekeeper. This rule change was voted in and will be added to our official Rules and Regulations.

- c. Add a rule that requires all no-show fees must be paid in full prior to the start of post-season play (week 19) in order for any team member to be eligible for the prize money. This rule change was voted in and will be added to our official Rules and Regulations.
 - d. Add a rule stating the requirements for a sub to be eligible for post-season prize money. After some discussion, it was decided that subs are eligible for the post-season prize money only if they satisfy both of the following criteria: (1) they have at least five (5) scores posted during the current season, and (2) they are playing in place of a regular member. The subs are not required to pay any additional fees as has been the case in the past. This rule change will be added to our official Rules and Regulations.
5. Decided to continue to use the scheduling option that places Tom and Bill in the last group every week, at their request.