

## GRSMGA Spring 2013 Captains' Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2013

Brandermill Country Club, Trouble Room

### I. Welcome

Nick Rodites (Chairman, Brandermill) called the meeting to order at approximately 10:30 AM and welcomed all attendees.

The agenda for this meeting and the schedule of events was available for each captain at sign-up.

At George Rickman's (JLCC) suggestion we observed a moment of silence in memory of Neil Wenzel, who passed away last year.

### II. Financial

Dick Walsh (Treasurer, Meadowbrook) presented the 2012 YE financial report. We had a positive year last year – in part thanks to CCV's cost management for their event – and we have some money in the bank.

### III. Schedule and Commitment Review

Rick Whittaker (Secretary, Meadowbrook) reminded the captains about GRSMGA on Facebook (Like GRSMGA or Facebook Page, and that all GRSMGA documents are available at <http://dickwalsh.org/grsmga.htm>).

Rick polled each captain to confirm their schedule, contacts, and commitment (number of players for which they are financially obligated to bring to each event). All date/times were confirmed as per the linked schedule. Lake Chesdin is uncertain about their commitment, Petersburg raised theirs to 6 and Highlands raised theirs to 12. Hoy Beverley has moved out of the area and is no longer the Co-Captain for Lake Chesdin.

The following are club commitments for the 2013 season.

Club	Commitment
Jefferson Lakeside	12
CCV	4
Richmond	6
Hermitage	6
Meadowbrook	10
Lake Chesdin	4 (TBD)
Hanover	6
Stonehenge	4
Petersburg	6 (Was 4)
Salisbury	8
Highlands	12 (Was 10)
Brandermill	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>88</b>

The following comments and clarifications came out of the schedule discussion:

- Hermitage will likely be 4 players short for their hosted event. They, like all clubs which are short of their commitment for an event, should contact other captains to see if they have extra players wishing to play.
- The cost remains the same as last year; \$45/player/tournament except CCV which is \$50/player.
- Captains are reminded to submit payment by single check prior to the event.

#### **IV. Old Business**

Dick Walsh (Treasurer, Meadowbrook) handed out a summary of Captain's Duties. The following comments and clarifications came out of discussion over it.

- It is recommended that checks for each event be made out to the host captain.
- The board will again this year provide golf balls as the closest-to-the-pin prizes. The cost of these balls will show up as both a credit and expense on the event financial report, which is necessary to account for the roughly \$500 total expense over the year.
- Bullet point 6 indicates an 8:30 start time for most events, that should be changed to be at the discretion of the host captain. (Most start times are 9:00).

Other items of discussion included;

- The max handicap index event for a GRSMGA event is 30.4.
- "A" flight players play from the senior tees (there was a brief experiment last year with allowing "A" flight to play one set of tees back from the seniors').
- Captains are recommended to form some threesomes, particularly for the "D" flight players, to aid in speeding play and to allow for no-show/extra golfers.
- It was suggested that captains consider starting each event on 16 holes, leaving the two empty holes behind the "D" flight players, to minimize holding up the "A" flight players.
- Captains are reminded that they must arrange for marshals for their hosted events.
- There was a question as to the necessity of beer at each event (to reduce cost). The consensus appeared to be that beer was necessary.

#### **V. New Business**

The merger between Meadowbrook and Lake Chesdin is complete and they are now essentially one club. There are no known impacts to the GRSMGA.

There were discussions with Willow Oaks about joining the GRSMGA. There did not appear to be enough interest on the part of Willow Oaks to make this happen. GRSMGA will continue to reach out to them.

There was discussion about slow-play.

- As noted above, captains must provide marshals for each event.
- Captains are reminded to encourage continuous play during putting.

- We continue to use our “Winter” rules; roll in own fairway, OB/Lost-ball as hazard, max triple bogey.

There was a motion and second to adopt “gimee’s” inside 18”. The motion was defeated by a show-of-hands vote of 13 to 3.

**VI. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately noon.

Post-meeting reminder: Foursomes were inadvertently set last year at Petersburg with a player from each flight (One “A”, one “B”,...). This is a concept which captains may consider.

**VII. Attendees:**

<i><b>Present:</b></i>	<i><b>Club</b></i>
Nick Rodites (Chairman)	Brandermill
Dick Walsh (Treasurer)	Meadowbrook
Rick Whittaker (Secretary)	Meadowbrook
Carl DeRubeis (Past Chair)	Jefferson Lakeside
Rob Bailey	Stonehenge
George Rickman	Jefferson Lakeside
Al Dean	Salisbury
Skeeter Railey	Petersburg
Nat Withers	Richmond
Bill Duff	Richmond
Charlie Smith	Highlands
Bill Smith	Lake Chesdin
Jerry Ramsey	CCV
Gary Zimmerman	Hermitage
Don Atkinson	Hanover
Duane Garner	Stonehenge

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# GRSMGA Spring Captain's Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2014

*Meadowbrook Country Club – Gillette Garden Alcove*

## I. Welcome

Dick Walsh (*Chairman, Meadowbrook*) called the meeting to order shortly after 10:00 AM and welcomed all attendees.

In recognition of his contribution to the group and to commemorate the Hole-in-One that Rick Whittaker (*Vice Chairman, Meadowbrook*) scored at The Highlands last year, Mr. Walsh presented Rick with a plaque, which he obtained with the help of the Pro at The Highlands.

The minutes from the *Spring, 2013 Meeting* were approved as written.

Following an overview of the agenda for the day, which was reviewed by Carl DeRubeis (*Secretary, Jefferson-Lakeside*), each attendee provided introductory comments – stating their names and identifying which club they were representing.

## II. Chairman's Remarks

Mr. Walsh asked the attendees if they knew whether or not their respective clubs had defibrillators on site. He then suggested that if they did not, perhaps they should consider obtaining (at least) one. It was also recommended that during tournaments each foursome should try to have a minimum of one cell phone available in the event that an emergency did arise. The general response of the group was understanding and acknowledgement of the logic and rationale behind the suggestion.

Dick discussed the various duties and responsibilities of the organization's officers – stating that each position is relatively easy to do and not very demanding. He went on to say that we don't want to be continually recycling the same individuals through the positions every year. We really need to infuse new people into the roles and asked that other Captains and Co-Captains who are interested please step forward.

Additional, detailed information about the duties of each position can be found on the website ([GRSMGA.org](http://GRSMGA.org)).

## III. Vice Chairman's Remarks

Mr. Whittaker indicated that he did not have very much to comment on. He did, however, reiterate Mr. Walsh's earlier comments on the topic of future officers and urged those present to please consider playing a bigger role in the future.

#### **IV. Secretary's Report**

Mr. DeRubeis followed the Vice Chairman's lead by indicating that he did not have any specific issues, concerns or topics to discuss.

#### **V. Treasurer's Report**

Mr. Walsh passed out copies of the 2013 Financial Report. As indicated on the report, the association finished the year with a positive balance of \$4,252.31. The question was raised as to whether or not we had any plans for the balance that remains in the account. Mr. Walsh indicated that there were no plans at this time -- other than maintaining a buffer and to assure funding for logo balls and Hole-in-One prizes. For anyone interested, the website provides financial going back to 2009.

It was agreed that – despite rising costs for both food and cart fees at many clubs – the tournament fees would remain at \$45.

#### **VI. Discussion: Schedule Changes/Confirmation**

It was agreed that the tournament schedule – as presently published – would require no changes.

#### **VII. Club Commitments (Players per Event)**

The following are the individual club commitments for players per club for 2014:

<b>Club</b>	<b>Commitment</b>	<b>Change</b>
Jefferson-Lakeside	12	
Country Club of Virginia	4	
Richmond	6	
Hermitage	8	(increases by 2)
Meadowbrook	10	
Lake Chesdin	4	
Hanover	5	(decreases by 1)
Stonehenge	6	(increases by 2)
Petersburg	7	(increases by 1)
Salisbury	8	
Highlands	12	
Brandermill	10	
<b>Total</b>	<b>92</b>	

#### **VIII. Old Business**

As a follow-up to last year's meeting, the question of whether or not we should add more clubs to the association was raised. Following a brief discussion, it was generally agreed that we are

comfortable at the current level of twelve (12) clubs and that we would not be pursuing any expansion in the immediate future.

The concern about pace-of-play was revisited and in the ensuing discussion the substantial difference in time between the first team to finish and the last was acknowledged. The possibility of penalties for slow play was discussed, but shelved for now. It was agreed that the measures taken to date to improve speed of play have produced some positive results.

## **IX. New Business**

Nick Rodites (*Past Chairman, Brandermill*) stated that it appears that many golfers are finishing play, eating lunch and leaving – often before the tournament results have been announced. He suggested that – although we have discontinued the golf-ball-door-prize giveaway due to cost considerations – we might want to offer a range of low-priced, golf-related prizes. He surmised that this approach might keep players around longer and identified a number of items that could be used as door prizes without a significant financial impact (approximately \$10 or \$12 per event). In response, most of those in attendance seemed to agree that even when we were awarding balls as door prizes, many golfers still left early. Although the proposal does seem to have merit, it was shelved for now.

As a related issue, Mr. DeRubeis suggested that there seems to be a wide variance in the length of time it takes to tally the results from club-to-club. Some venues seem to have mastered the art and tally everything up very quickly, while others are much slower. It was recommended that the Captains work within their individual clubs in an effort to expedite the process and complete the exercise as quickly as possible.

## **X. General Discussion / Wrap-Up**

Back to the issue of slow play: A question was raised asking what else we might be able to do to speed up play. One comment was “start on time”. Sometimes the review of the rules seems to take too much time. There should be a printed rule sheet in each cart and most players know the basic rules by now. Perhaps a high-level review (or no review at all), accompanied by any local pertinent rules or information would be sufficient and would speed up the process. Another practice that varies from venue to venue is that of getting players to their starting holes.–Some clubs do a very good job of directing or guiding everyone out onto the golf course, while others do not.

Another question was raised with regard to the possibility of including team competitions within tournaments. For example, a foursome prize for the ‘Best Net’ – something along the lines of the Four-Club Competition. It was agreed that the GRSMGA Officers would address this recommendation and present a proposal back to the Captains for review. We can vote via email and, if approved, we can try to pilot this at one or two clubs this year. A motion was made and seconded.

A motion to close the meeting was made and was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:15.

#### **XI. Attendees**

Name	Club
Dick Walsh (Chairman)	Meadowbrook
Rick Whittaker (Vice Chairman)	Meadowbrook
Carl DeRubeis (Secretary)	Jefferson-Lakeside
Nick Rodites (Past Chairman)	Brandermill
Dick Walsh (Treasurer)	Meadowbrook
Jim Atkinson	Meadowbrook
George Rickman	Jefferson-Lakeside
Charlie Smith	Highlands
Jack Olsen	Highlands
Bill Duff	Richmond
Nat Withers	Richmond
Keith Reynolds	Hermitage
Larry Jefferson	Petersburg
Bill Smith	Lake Chesdin
Duane Garner	Stonehenge
Rob Bailey	Stonehenge
Don Atkinson	Hanover
Ashley Weatherford	Hanover

# **GRSMGA Spring Captain's Meeting Minutes**

March 18, 2015

Meadowbrook Country Club

## **I. Welcome and Introduction of Officers and Captains**

Rick Whittaker (Chairman, Meadowbrook) called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and welcomed all attendees. Rick introduced the other officers for the 2015 season: Carl DeRubeis (Vice Chairman, Jefferson Lakeside), Don Atkinson (Secretary, Hanover), Dick Walsh (Treasurer and Past Chairman, Meadowbrook).

Each attending Captain provided introductory comments, stating their names and identifying which club they were representing. Nick Rodites informed the attendees that Brandermill will be naming a Co-captain in the near future. Jerry Ramsey from CCV also noted that he and Mark Dray will be acting jointly as Captains for the coming season.

## **II. Chairman's Remarks**

Mr. Whittaker's remarks focused on the importance of continuing to cycle new names into the Officer's positions of the association. He asked that the Captains and Co-captains consider this opportunity and if interested, please let one of the officers know. Additional, detailed information about the duties of each position can be found on the website (GRSMGA.org).

## **III. Vice-Chairman's Remarks**

Mr. DeRubeis did not have any additional comments for the meeting.

## **IV. Secretary's Report**

Mr. Atkinson indicated that he did not have any specific topics to discuss other than those that will be discussed as part of "Old Business".

## **V. Treasurer's Report**

A copy of the 2014 Financial Report was distributed to each Captain and Co-captain. Mr. Walsh indicated that the association ended the year with a balance of \$3,652.45. We will again this year pay prize money for 5 positions per flight, provide logo balls for closest to the pin and \$100 for a Hole-in-One. Additionally, it was agreed that despite rising costs for both food and cart fees at many clubs, the tournament fees would remain at \$45 with the exception being CCV at \$50.



## VI. Schedule Confirmation/Changes

It was agreed that the tournament schedule dates as published would require no changes. All tournaments will start at 9:00 AM.

## VII. Club Commitments (Players per Event)

Jefferson Lakeside	12
Country Club of Virginia	4
Richmond	6
Hermitage	8
Meadowbrook	10
Lake Chesdin	0 (decreases by 4)
Hanover	5
Stonehenge	8 (increases by 2)
Petersburg	8 (increases by 1)
Salisbury	5 (decreases by 3)
Highlands	10 (decreases by 2)
Brandermill	<u>10</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>

## VIII. Old Business

While progress has been made toward improving the pace of play, the general consensus of the Captains was that further improvements were needed in the area of starting and concluding play. The Captains identified and agreed to the following actions to improve the pace of play:

1. A copy of GRSMGA and local rules should be included in the cart. Any announcements prior to the start of the tournament should be kept to a minimum.
2. The 9:00 AM starting time means that players are to be at their assigned starting tee at that time, ready to play. Golfers must be in their carts 10 minutes prior to the starting time in preparation for movement to their starting tee. It was also recommended that low handicap players start farthest from the clubhouse and conversely high handicap players closest.
3. Players should turn in score cards as soon as they return to the clubhouse area.

The red tees at Brandermill are not rated for men. Nick Rodites will consult with the local pro to determine whether this can be done. Rating of these tees will give our players the option to use this set of forward tees and post their results with the VSGA.

## IX. New Business

A motion by Gary Zimmerman (Hermitage) was made to pursue Willow Oaks as a new member in the GRSMGA. This was approved by the Captains. A committee of Gary, Jerry Ramsey (CCV) and Duane Garner (Stonehenge) will meet with Willow Oaks and report back to the association officers.

A suggestion to have either a “player of the year” or “club of the year” award was discussed. Rick Whittaker offered to lead a committee to determine how these awards will be earned and whether one or both should be used by the GRSMGA. However, subsequent discussion about the process and criteria for selection led to the tabling of this topic.

## **X. General Discussion/Wrap-up**

Rob Bailey (Stonehenge) asked for clarification regarding when Captains/players must pay for withdrawals and no shows due to the weather. At Stonehenge last year, inclement weather caused a delay in starting the tournament by an hour. This resulted in some players to no show, others leaving before the start of the tournament and, thereby leaving Captains questioning their responsibility to pay. As stated in the GRSMGA Administrative Procedures, cancellation of a tournament due to weather should be by 7:00 AM. “Unless otherwise instructed, players are to assume that the tournament is to be played. If carts are to be restricted to paths and the host club does not permit handicap flags, then the guest captain should so inform his legitimately limited players and they may be excused from the competition.”

Another question was regarding the deadline for a Captain to notify the Host Captain of a non-emergency withdrawal. A motion was made, seconded and approved by the Captains that the notification must occur by 12:00 PM on the day prior to the tournament for non-emergency withdrawals.

A motion to close the meeting was made and was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

## **XI. Attendees**

Rick Whittaker (Chairman)	Meadowbrook
Carl DeRubeis (Vice Chairman)	Jefferson Lakeside
Don Atkinson (Secretary)	Hanover
Dick Walsh (Treasurer)	Meadowbrook
George Rickman	Jefferson Lakeside
Jerry Ramsey	Country Club of Virginia
Bill Duff	Richmond
Nat Withers	Richmond
Gary Zimmerman	Hermitage
Jim Atkinson	Meadowbrook
Bill Smith	Lake Chesden
Ashley Weatherford	Hanover
Duane Garner	Stonehenge
Rob Bailey	Stonehenge

Larry Jefferson  
Jerry Carr  
Robert Ward  
Charlie Smith  
Nick Rodites

Petersburg  
Salisbury  
Highlands  
Highlands  
Brandermill

# **GRSMGA 2016 Spring Captain's Meeting Minutes**

March 9, 2016

Jefferson Lakeside Country Club

## **I. Welcome and Introduction of Officers and Captains**

The new Chairman Carl DeRubeis (Jefferson Lakeside) called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and welcomed all. He explained that Rick Whittaker has left Meadowbrook upsetting the usual progression of officers and that Dick Walsh will serve as both Past Chairman and Treasurer

Everyone stated his name and club. The Chairman then introduced the other incoming officers for the 2016 season: Don Atkinson (Vice Chairman Hanover) Jim Wester (Secretary, Meadowbrook)

## **II. Chairman's Remarks**

Mr. DeRubeis stated that slow play had improved and 2015 was the best year ever. He also advised that Brandermill will be adding Dick Nelson as co-captain and that Jerry Dyer will be assisting him as a third representative of JLCC.

## **III. Vice-Chairman's Remarks**

Don Atkinson as incoming Vice Chairman had no additional comments for the meeting.

## **IV. Secretary's Report**

Outgoing as outgoing Secretary Mr. Atkinson had nothing to report.

Mr. Wester being incoming Secretary had nothing to report.

## **V. Treasurer's Report**

Dick Walsh distributed a copy of the 2015 Financial Report was showing a balance of \$2,378.58. He stated that as the account is now under \$3000, prize money will be reduced from five to four positions per flight. Awarding logo balls for closest to the pin and \$100 for a Hole-in-One will continue. Tournament fees will remain at \$45 with the exception of \$50 for CCV.

## **VI. Schedule Confirmation/Changes**

The Tournament schedule was distributed. Traditional dates for JLCC and CCV have been swapped. As in the past all tournaments will start at 9:00 AM.

**VII. Club Commitments (Players per Event)**

Jefferson Lakeside	12
Country Club of Virginia	4
Richmond	7
Hermitage	8
Meadowbrook	10
Lake Chesdin	1
Hanover	5
Stonehenge	13
Petersburg	8
Salisbury	5
Highlands	10
Brandermill	<u>10</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>93</b>

**VIII. Old Business**

Overtures to Willow Oaks so far have been unproductive.

Further discussion of naming a “Player of the Year,” tabled from last meeting resulted in general agreement that it would not be workable.

**IX. New Business**

There was some discussion of moving the meeting to earlier in the year but it was decided to keep it in March

**X. General Discussion/Wrap-up**

Although a motion had been approved in the last meeting by the Captains that notification for non-emergency withdrawals must occur by 12:00 PM on the day prior to the tournament, there was additional discussion on the subject. Both the schedule and the Treasurer’s report will be posted on the website

A motion to close the meeting was made and was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM with most attendees heading to the golf course.

**XI. Attendees**

Carl DeRubeis (Chairman)	Jefferson Lakeside
Don Atkinson (Vice Chairman)	Hanover
Dick Walsh (Treasurer)	Meadowbrook
Jim Wester (Secretary)	Meadowbrook
Jim Atkinson	Meadowbrook
George Rickman	Jefferson Lakeside
Jerry Dyer	Jefferson Lakeside
Bill Duff	Richmond
Nat Withers	Richmond
Duane Garner	Stonehenge
Larry Jefferson	Petersburg
Jerry Carr	Salisbury
Robert Ward	Highlands
Charlie Smith	Highlands
Nick Rodites	Brandermill
Dick Nelson	Brandermill
Larry Jefferson	Petersburg
Rusty Ward	Chesdin

## **GRSMGA 2016 Fall Captain's Meeting Minutes**

November 1, 2016

Salisbury Country Club

This was a fairly informal meeting and no roll-call of attendees was made.

Outgoing Chairman Carl DeRubeis called the meeting to order after lunch. Dick Walsh announced the usual progression of officers and stated that he will continue to serve as Treasurer. Incoming officers will be Don Atkinson, Chairman, Jim Wester, Vice Chairman and Duane Garner, Secretary.

Salisbury will be adding Jonah Bowles as co-captain and Hanover will be adding Jeff Alexander.

Dick Walsh reported that the event at CCV was the only one where the overall cost (club charges plus prizes) exceeded revenue. He stated that as the amount was approximately \$1700. He proposed tournament fees for CCV will be raised to \$60 which was agreed upon by the majority of those present.

There was some discussion of moving the spring meeting to earlier in the year but it was decided that Don Atkinson as Chairman could make that decision. There was some discussion of trying to set up predetermined rain make-up dates.

Dick Walsh stated that he will send out an email with the new officers and a tentative 2017 schedule utilizing the 2016 as a framework.

# **Greater Richmond Senior Men's Golf Association**

## **Spring Meeting Minutes**

*March 14, 2017*

### **I. Welcome**

Don Atkinson, Chairman called to order the spring meeting of the Greater Richmond Senior Men's Golf Association at 10:00 on March 14, 2017 at Meadowbrook Country Club. Atkinson welcomed all those attending and thanked them for representing their clubs. Atkinson then asked all present for a moment of silence and reflection for George W. Rickman, Jr. who passed away on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016. "Ricky" was a longtime member of Jefferson Lakeside and a very active and visible member and former Officer of the GRSMGA.

### **II. Introduction of Officers and Captains**

The following members were present and introduced themselves:

Don Atkinson, Chairman, Hanover Country Club  
Jim Wester, Vice Chairman, Meadowbrook Country Club  
Duane Garner, Secretary, Stonehenge Golf & Country Club  
Dick Walsh, Treasurer, Meadowbrook Country Club  
Jerry Dyer and Carl DeRubeis, Jefferson Lakeside Country Club  
Nat Withers, Richmond Country Club  
Gary Zimmerman, Hermitage Country Club  
Chip Scavone, Lake Chesdin Golfers Club  
Jerry Carr and Jonah Bowles III, Salisbury Country Club  
Jeff Alexander, Hanover Country Club  
Jerry Ramsey, Country Club of Virginia  
Larry Jefferson and Skeeter Railey, Petersburg Country Club  
Charlie Smith and Robert Ward, The Highlands  
Dick Nelson, Steve Menninger and Jon Hartzler, Brandermill Country Club  
Drew Stiebeling, Stonehenge

### **III. Officer Comments**

Don Atkinson briefly discussed the agenda and asked for comments from Jim Wester, Vice Chairman and Duane Garner, Secretary. Jim Wester had no comments at the time. Duane Garner asked that if any Captains or Co-Captains needed printed copies of any organizational material or documents to please contact him. Don Atkinson also reminded the attendees of the GRSMGA web site ([GRSMGA.org](http://GRSMGA.org)) as a repository of all organizational information, forms and material.



#### IV. Financial Report

Dick Walsh, Treasurer provided a summary of the 2016 Financial Report. The Association had a beginning balance of \$2,378.58 and an operating loss of \$287.91 resulting in an ending balance of \$2,090.67. The Financial Report is now available on the GRSMGA web site at [grsmga.org/financial/2016%20financial%20report.pdf](http://grsmga.org/financial/2016%20financial%20report.pdf)

During the past calendar year, the Association's account balance went below the \$1,500 minimum threshold for bank fees and charges. As a result, Dick Walsh deposited \$1,500 of his own funds to avoid the monthly fees and charges. These funds show on the bank account balance but not on the Financial Report. The Board recommends that Dick Walsh withdraw his personal funds as soon as is reasonably possible.

There was discussion about the proposal from the fall meeting regarding increasing the fees for the CCV event from \$50 to \$60 per player. This proposal was necessary due to the Association subsidizing the CCV event due to its higher cart fees and dining costs. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed for the proposal by the group.

There was also discussion about raising the fees for all other events from \$1 to \$5 per player. Over the last 2 years other member clubs have experienced increases in cart fees and higher food and beverage costs. Dick Walsh said he felt it was not necessary for this year and recommended all other events other than CCV remain at \$45 per player. Discussion was tabled for the current year and will be reassessed at the fall meeting.

#### V. Confirmation of Event Dates and Club Commitments

Duane Garner called on each member club for confirmation of their event date and player commitments for the 2017 season. The following results were recorded:

Club	Event Date	Commitment
JLCC	4/19/2017	12
Richmond	5/4/2017	7
Hermitage	5/17/2017	8
Meadowbrook	6/1/2017	10
Lake Chesdin	6/13/2017	2
Salisbury	6/28/2017	5
Hanover	7/10/2017	6
CCV	7/26/2017	4
Petersburg	8/8/2017	8
Highlands	9/6/2017	10
Brandermill	9/20/2017	10
Stonehenge	9/28/2017	13
	Total	95

Note – Stonehenge will attempt to move their date to Thursday, 08/31/2017 due to a conflict with a Richmond Three Score Association event on September 28.

## **VI. Old Business**

- A. Event fee increase for CCV from \$50 to \$60 was discussed and approved during the presentation of the 2016 Financial Report.
- B. There was continued discussion on rainouts and rescheduling events. Don Atkinson pointed out that the period from August 14 to September 1 is open for earlier events that are postponed due to weather. Further discussion revealed the following points:
  - 1) Other area organizations are charged for their meal regardless of weather.
  - 2) Most Food and Beverage operations would require at least 24 hours notice if cancellation/postponement is necessary.
  - 3) Rescheduling events would be solely dependent on the club's willingness to do so and availability for the event on the club's calendar.

## **VII. New business**

- A. Our bylaws specify that member clubs are to be private and our current twelve clubs meet that requirement. Today's golf economy has all clubs considering measures to enhance revenue. It's possible that one or more clubs in the association may decide to operate as "semi-private" for some period. Although only private clubs would be acceptable for new membership, the GRSMGA board recommends that with respect to a change to "semi-private" status, current member clubs' membership be "grandfathered" so long as participating players are private or shareholders and/or dues paying members of their clubs. Adoption of this exception will require a modification to the Associations Bylaws.

There was a good discussion by the attendees on this topic and the modification was passed by a vote of 11 to 1. Wording for this modification is presented below and will be added to the Bylaws in Article III, Section 3.

“Member clubs are to be "grandfathered" as members if their clubs become semi-private.”

## **VIII. Adjournment**

Don Atkinson, Chairman with no further business adjourned the meeting at 11:35.

Minutes submitted by: Duane Garner

## **GRSMGA 2017 Fall Captain's Meeting Minutes**

September 20, 2017

Brandermill Country Club

This was an informal meeting and attendees introduced themselves.

Outgoing Chairman Don Atkinson was unable to attend the meeting. Jim Wester (Vice Chairman) called the meeting to order after lunch. Dick Walsh announced the usual progression of officers and stated that he will continue to serve as Treasurer. Incoming officers Jim Wester, Chairman, Duane Garner, Vice Chairman and Chip Scavone, Secretary were approved by a voice vote.

Dick Walsh provided a tentative Treasurers Report noting that with the rescheduled Highlands event the following week, there were still several clubs that had not completed their 2017 event financial reporting. He also reported that CCV was close to a breakeven event for the first time in a number of years. There was some discussion of the 2018 event fees for all events and the CCV fee and cost structure that was tabled for the 2018 Spring Meeting.

There was also some discussion of procedures and protocols for rescheduling events, which was also tabled to the Spring Meeting so that captains could make inquiries with their clubs staff on the various problems associated with weather related rescheduled events. There was also some discussion on ways to maximize value/reduce cost for restaurant dining charges that was also tabled to 2018.

Lastly, there was a small discussion on how the different clubs prepare foursome pairings for each event. The normal pairing for the events are usually by handicap index and flight and are generally produced by the clubs PGA professional. In 2017 there were 2 events that utilized the A-B-C-D player format for foursome pairings with the thought being that everyone would get to meet different members than those they usually play with. It was decided that each captain should decide how their event will be paired and the format be communicated at the Spring Meeting.

Dick Walsh stated that he will send out an email with the new officers and a tentative 2018 schedule utilizing the 2017 as a framework. The spring meeting will be held in March, 2018 at Meadowbrook.

One item that was not brought up was the suggestion of having a "survey" for the captains or their designee to fill out for each event to provide feedback to the host

captain and host club. The survey could be a very short email with 4 questions (course setup/playability, course condition, lunch and golf/dining staff) that would be rated on a 1 to 5 scale (1 = poor, 5 = excellent), and a small space under each for optional comments.

Attendees:

Meadowbrook	Jim Wester Dick Walsh Jim Atkinson
Lake Chesdin	Chip Scavone
Brandermill	Steve Menninger Dick Nelson Jon Hartzler Mike Bachmann
Stonehenge	Duane Garner Drew Stiebeling
Richmond	Bill Duff
Jefferson Lakeside	Jerry Dyer Bob Putney
Hanover	Jeff Alexander
CCV	Jack Molenkamp
The Highlands	Robert Ward
Salisbury	Jerry Carr

Representatives from Hermitage and Petersburg did not attend.

**Greater Richmond Senior Men's Golf Association**  
**Spring Meeting Minutes**

*March 13, 2018*

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**I. Welcome**

Jim Wester, Chairman called to order the spring meeting of the Greater Richmond Senior Men's Golf Association at 10:05 on March 13, 2018 at Meadowbrook Country Club.

The following members were present and introduced themselves:

Don Atkinson, Past Chair, Hanover Country Club  
Jim Wester, Chairman, Meadowbrook Country Club  
Duane Garner, Vice Chair, Stonehenge Golf & Country Club  
Dick Walsh, Treasurer, Meadowbrook Country Club  
Jerry Dyer, Bob Putney and Carl DeRubeis, Jefferson Lakeside Country Club  
Gary Zimmerman, Hermitage Country Club  
Chip Scavone, Secretary, Lake Chesdin Golfers Club  
Jerry Carr, Salisbury Country Club  
Jeff Alexander, Hanover Country Club  
Jerry Ramsey, Country Club of Virginia  
Charlie Smith and Robert Ward, The Highlands  
Dick Nelson and Steve Menninger, Brandermill Country Club  
Drew Stiebeling, Stonehenge Country Club  
Bill Duff and Todd Walton, Richmond Country Club  
David Love, Meadowbrook Country Club

**II. Officer Comments**

Dick Walsh, Treasurer provided a summary of the 2017 Financial Report. The Association had a profit of \$733 resulting in an ending balance of \$2,824. The Financial Report is now available on the GRSMGA web site at GRSMGA.ORG.

The major topic for discussion was the decision by Salisbury to charge GRSMGA \$55 per player, flat rate, and Hermitage raising its cart fee to \$30. Bill Duff indicated that Richmond Country Club was considering an increase but was deferring that, at least for the current year.

There was some discussion of reducing costs by eliminating lunch or reducing it to a snack. This idea was not accepted. The following motion was made and approved.

*Raise the player fee from \$45 to \$50 for all clubs except CCV, Hermitage, and Salisbury, which will be \$60. Participation at the \$60 clubs will be optional with no \$5 per player fee assessed to captains for not meeting participation quotas.*

### **III. Confirmation of Event Dates and Club Commitments**

Jim Wester called on each member club for confirmation of their event date and player commitments for the 2018 season. The following results were recorded:

<b>Club</b>	<b>Event Date</b>	<b>Commitment</b>
JLCC	4/18/2018	12
Richmond	5/10/2018	8
Hermitage	5/17/2018	8
Meadowbrook	6/1/2018	10
Lake Chesdin	6/13/2018	2
Salisbury	6/28/2018	4
Hanover	7/10/2018	6
CCV	7/26/2018	4
Petersburg	8/8/2018	2
Highlands	9/6/2018	10
Brandermill	9/20/2018	10
Stonehenge	9/28/2018	14
	Total	90

### **IV. Old Business**

Captains were reminded to supply a single participation check to host captains on the day of their event.