

MINUTES OF THE GRAND HAVEN CROQUET CLUB BOARD MEETING

January 11, 2011

Location: The Creekside Athletic Club

Time: 12:17 pm

Attendees

Present: President: Rich Burns; Vice-President: Gabriella Tuscano; Treasurer: Joe Zilligen; Secretary: Hal Herber; Social Director: Yvonne Croizer; Tournament Director: Jim Pagano. Membership Director: Tom Lawrence.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the December 13, 2010 meeting were accepted without amendment. Motion to approve was made by Joe Zilligen and seconded by Gabriella Tuscano.

Social Committee Report

We have over 60 reservations for dinner on National Croquet Day. I spoke with Jason and all is well and on schedule. He is accommodating us for special menu requests from a couple of members.

For the afternoon we will have Hot Cider available. It should be a good day of celebration and fun.

I would prefer to have our next Social in March. This will give us a little time in between our social affairs. And the weather might be warmer, as well, for enjoying outdoor accommodations.

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne Croizer, Social Director

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance @ 12/1/2010		\$ 7,076.64
Receipts: Club Championship fees	65.00	
Misc. revenue	<u>8.00</u>	73.00

Expenditures:

Club Championship expenses	212.29	
Refreshments Christmas Ball	42.92	
December Social	100.00	
Christmas gifts	<u>95.00</u>	<u>450.21</u>

Balance @ 12/31/2010 \$ 6,699.43

Notes re: National Croquet Day Dinner
Projected net cost to club - \$490.00
32 members @ \$14 and 6 spouses @ \$7
10 prospective members have prepaid @ \$28

Joe Zilligen, Treasurer

Tournament Committee

Club Championship tournament, 2011

After discussing options, Jim Pagano recommended that the Club Championship be held in March, starting on Tuesday the 22nd and running for three days. Jim will confirm that there are no competing invitational tournaments in the region in which our members might participate. That being done, the March date for our tournament will be firm.

Club Invitational tournament, 2011

The Invitational tournament for our Club will be held early November 2011, timed to avoid competing tournaments in the region and to accommodate our returning "snowbirds"..

National Croquet Day celebration, January 2011

The celebratory activity on Creekside Courts will be from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, and will focus on a form of golf croquet. Instruction will be provided for those new to croquet. These individuals will be rotated in and out of the on-going games for some first-hand experience. Hot cider will be available.

Jim Pagano, Tournament Director

Membership Committee

The second of two “Back-in-the-Game“ clinics was held on January 10.

Sixteen residents have signed up for the new-player croquet lessons. Our training team has opted to run two sessions each day, the first at 1 to 2:30pm and the second at 3 to 4:30. These sessions will be on Jan 17, 19, 24, 26, 31 and the last on Feb 2.

The eight participants in the 1 to 2:30 class are; Tim O’Neill, Lucille & Rich Resnicoff, Linda & Tony Dos Santos, Anita Carlin, Janet Carlson, and Evonne Wettens.

The eight participants in the 3 to 4:30 class are: Rosemary Bryce, Bob Demers, Frank & Relina Sockman, Roger & Stephanie LeRoux, Rita Mass and Jack Williamson.

Tom Lawrence, Membership Director

Old Business

National Croquet Day January 15, 2011

(See Tournament report for details)

Through the Amenities office, we will send an email-blast invitation to all Grand Haven residents to participate in the afternoon activity, emphasizing “free games, free instruction, and free hot cider”.

Lapel pins

The Board reviewed the three proofs of our Club’s logo in the *Cloisonné* design obtained by Gabriella Tuscano. One was selected and Gabriella was asked to obtain an additional proof which would include some minor adjustments in color and design. She was also asked to determine the difference between the original per-item cost and any subsequent re-ordering costs.

New Business

Website

Webmaster Bonnie Umphreys is in the process of setting up an on-line “store” through which we can view and order our croquet clothing. Details to follow.

Alzheimer donation

The Grand Haven Golf Club is holding an event in support of research into and treatment of Alzheimer’s and our Club has been asked to make a donation. The Board discussed the appropriateness of doing so and the need for establishing criteria to guide such contributions.

The Board agreed that: it is appropriate for our Club to support worthy causes sponsored by and limited to Grand Haven entities; a specific amount should be budgeted annually for this purpose; a cap should be set for the amount of any single donation. Accordingly, the Board voted unanimously that we would budget \$200 per year for such donations, that the amount per donation would not exceed \$50, that all such donations would be limited to the Grand Haven community, and that our first donation of \$50 would be to the up-coming Alzheimer's event at the Grand Haven Golf Club. (*Motion by Jim Pagano; seconded by Gabriella Tuscano.*)

Hammock Dunes play day

We are in the process of setting up a play day with Hammock Dunes Croquet Club. This will need to be golf croquet, given that golf croquet is the principle focus of HD's members.

New Austin Contract

We have a new court-maintenance contract with Austin. The contract is for 20% less than last year and it includes annual over-seeding.

Adjournment

Rich Burns adjourned the meeting at 1:36 pm. (Motion by Yvonne Croizer; second by Tom Lawrence.)

The Board will hold its next meeting February 14, 2011 at 12:30 pm at The Creekside Athletic Club

Respectfully submitted
Hal Herber, Secretary