

“The Tee Box”[©]

“The Only Official Newsletter of Rolling In Golf Club”

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Say “Hello” to the first edition of TEE BOX for the 2016 year. This issue is jam packed with valuable information for all members and will bring you up to date with all that is happening at RIGC. The RIGC Board of Directors met on 3-9-16 and issues discussed in that meeting are included for your reading pleasure.

ANNUAL MEETING ON 4-9-16

The annual meeting of RIGC will be held on Saturday, April 9, at the RIGC clubhouse located at 5th Tavern restaurant located on the west side of Telegraph Rd. north of Square Lake Rd., across from Costco. The meeting will commence at 5:00 p.m. You will hear from President Scott Moore and other Board members, receive a report from the Rules Committee, and hear from a couple of special presenters. IN ADDITION, at this meeting please bring your 2016 dues checks for \$100 and those friends that are looking to join with us this 2016 year. It promises to be a stirring gathering. RIGC will provide apps, cash bar.

MEMBERSHIP

It looks like RIGC will see continued growth this year with participating members approaching 70. A number of inquiries about our club were received over the past several months. Therefore, you will see new faces this year and make sure they feel welcomed. All have been thoroughly vetted.

EVENTS

Thanks to our new best friend, El Nino, it looks like the golf season in MI will get well underway in March. There will be three tune up events held in April and the dates and courses are as follows: April 13 at The Fountains in Clarkston, April 20 at Sylvan Glen in Troy, and April 27 at Salem Hills in Northville. Then the opening of the regular season will be on May 4 at Boulder Pointe. What about the Match Play Tournament you ask? It will get underway on June 1 at Dunham Hills. On that day, play in matches will be held to complete the field of 32 players and then those matches will be played on June 8 at Tanglewood. Second round matches will be played on June 15 at Metamora. Details about subsequent events will be presented in future issues of the “TB.”

TREASURER REPORT

The Treasurer, Wynn Miller, submitted a proposed budget for RIGC for 2016. The budget assumed 60 paid members resulting of total dues receipts of \$6,000. Budgeted expenses totaled \$4,485 and included in expenses are GAM membership dues, costs for picnics after several events, costs for club meetings, costs for awards, and entries into GAM championships for club champions. That leaves a budget surplus of \$1,405.

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Additional costs are anticipated for upgrading the club’s web site, and if there are additional funds available after the season those will be spent on the season ending banquet. Should there be more than 60 paid members that will of course enhance our financial position. There is currently about \$3,300 in our bank account.

RULES COMMITTEE

The Rules Committee of RIGC has been hard at work over the winter clarifying the rules that we will be playing by in 2016. In some cases, RIGC will be adopting “local rules” addressing situations you will encounter on the golf course, and which it is hoped will help the pace of play in our events. Watch for a details to be presented at the Annual meeting on April 9.

WEB SITE

The web site of RIGC is currently in need of much upgrading and over the past several months, this has been discussed with a web site provider. Obviously, there will be costs associated with upgrading and maintaining our web site. An upgraded web site will be beneficial and convenient for all members and the Board is seriously looking into this. One way to lower the monthly maintenance costs is to have our members load data to the web site, rather than paying the provider to perform this task. THEREFORE, the Board would like to hear from members who would be willing to perform these tasks. The web site provider has agreed to train three members in the process for loading information on the web site. The task would probably take 2-3 hours per week. If you would be interested in assisting in this please let Rod Cooper know.

OUTREACH

At the Board meeting, the members agreed that the club should become involved in outreach activities and it was agreed that the activities should be designed to promote the game of golf in some way or fashion. President Scott Moore will be on the lookout for feasible outreach activities for the club.

WARM WEATHER SOFTIES

There were plenty of members escaping to warmer climates over the winter months, Florida, Arizona, etc. You know who you are. To them we just say we hope your finely tuned games can convert to the harsh golfing conditions here in MI. In addition, there is now talk of having several official RIGC events in Florida next winter. Stay tuned.

Look for another issue of the “TB” sometime after the annual meeting on April 9.

Regards, The Editor

PARTING WORDS

Lee Trevino said this “The game of golf will bring out whatever larceny exists within a golfer”