

NORTHSTAR GOLF CLUB – GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2/5/25

February 5th, 2025 / 5:30 PM / Main Dining Area

ATTENDEES

X	<u>Mitch Greenwald</u> - Chair	X	<u>Jon Barleycorn</u> - Vice Chair	X	<u>Darrin Reeb</u>
X	<u>Lesley Kurtzahn</u> - Women's Chair	X	<i>Sara Colton</i>		<u>Jake Didion</u> - Junior Chair
X	<u>Ryan Horace</u>		<i>Karen Beaty</i>	X	<i>Steve Snyder</i> - Vice Chair
X	<i>Alex Bork</i> - Secretary	X	<i>Aron Rolson</i>	X	Nate Curtis - Golf Pro
X	<i>Tyler Klava</i>		Josh Bryant- Superintendent		Anthony - Asst Pro

Italics - New Members Underline - 1-2 Years Left

1. Call to Order

- Approval of previous meeting minutes (if applicable)

2. Review of 2024

- **Membership Recap - Nate**
 - Full membership count at year-end: 353
 - Social membership count at year-end: 250
 - No open social memberships are available.
 - 2025 membership goals for full and social memberships

3. 2025 Review

- Confirm Committee positions
 - **Golf Committee Chair:** Jon Barleycorn
 - **Golf Vice Chair:** Steve Snyder
 - **Competition / Handicap:** Sara Colton, Ryan Horace and Aaron Rolson
 - **Secretary:** Alex Bork
 - **Golf Course Condition Chair:** Decided not needed. We will work with Josh, communicate out as needed for items such as changes to holes/bunkers to refresh/change
 - **Juniors:** Jake Didion and Tyler Klava
 - **Women's:** Leslie Kurtzahn and Karen Beaty
 - **Communications Chair:** Mitch Greenwald and Darrin Reeb
- **Update by-laws to match new chairs.**
- **Course Maintenance & Enhancements**
 - Overview of planned maintenance and course changes for the 2025 season
 - Tree removal on #10 in progress.
 - Small pond/marsh removal on #16 in progress.

- Current putting green will remain until others are ready, likely Memorial Day. New greens: closest green will be for putting, furthest green will be chipping.
- **New Clubhouse**
 - Staff-related changes with the new clubhouse
 - How these changes will enhance the member experience
 - Lockers
 - Email will go out next week to the 80 members who requested a locker for locker assignments. The annual locker fee is \$240.
- **Communications**
 - Newsletter schedule and updates (Mitch)
- **Tournaments & Events**
 - Men's and Ladies' Invitationals - what to include (alcohol and number of meals)
 - Men's Invitational moving to an all-inclusive fee structure
 - \$1,232 per team.
 - Will cover food and alcohol, all fees. Excludes top shelf/exotic brands.
 - Men's Invitational registration will not open early for tenured members like it did in 2024, will open for all at the same time.
 - Need to eliminate late withdrawals from tournament, puts the club in a predicament with filling those openings.
 - Likely we will collect a 50% deposit, non-refundable after 30 days is an idea being explored.
 - Ryder Cup and Solheim Cup point allocations - weighing weekly leagues more heavily
 - Ladies' morning league - would it be useful to hold tee times without an organized game? Yes, this is permitted and agreed upon.
 - Men's League will return to format prior to 2023
 - No weekly sign ups.
 - Points awarded (distribution to be determined).
 - Will split front and back, should drastically reduce if not eliminate stacking
 - Season long partners, no weekly matching up.
 - End of season tournament will get investigated by competition committee.
 - Weekday Men's Pot Games - does it make sense to block tee times for groups that consistently have 10-12 players?
 - Senior Selects play Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday. Romelfanger group plays Tuesday/Thursday. This was agreed upon given their commitment and reliability.

4. Open Discussion

- A lot more staff in each department is expected.
- Focus for 2025 with members: improve service levels.
- Members will be asked to upload a profile photo in the app, will help staff with identifying/confirming members during point-of-sale transactions.
- Should we have green sand? Nate replied it costs more, and Josh doesn't want it to get into the rough or mixed into fairway and cross-pollinating grass types.
- Parent/Child still getting figured out for 2025 with how to flight teams (Age? Skill? Prefer to not have to use a handicap system to slot teams).
- Are we awarding too many points to Season Long Shootout? This will be reviewed with recommendations for 2025.
- Annual golf meeting to answer questions and review events will occur March 12th in current clubhouse.