

Hérons Glen Mens Golf Association

Nov 04, 2025 Board Meeting

Attending: Bob Agate, Larry Pedersen, Bob Regnier, Paul Burke, Tom Braunscheidel, Bill Harville, Paul Chipman, Bill Paris, Gene Dumont.

President Bob Agate opened the meeting:

1. October Board and Membership meetings were approved via a motion, a second and a vote.
2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. As of this week ~ 165 members have paid their 2025-2026 dues .. ~ 16 new members at this point.
 - b. Based on membership trends from prior years, membership expected to end up ~ 200.
 - c. The audit of the MGA books has been completed, no issues noted.
 - d. Bill Harville will follow up on the planned "split" of play day fees (\$6 to prize pool, \$1 to fund MGA events.)
3. 2025-2026 Schedule
 - a. Board confirmed "Pizza/Beer" member meetings for November and December, will review Jan/Feb/Mar/Apr at an upcoming meeting.
 - b. Board aligned on changing game format for Hearts and Homes event to a 4 man scramble.
 - c. Board aligned that one PYP event/month is appropriate.
 - d. Board discussed a "Red/White/Blue" game format and decided that an iteration of this format will be tried this summer, and if successful, may add to the 2025-2027 season calendar.
4. Guest Speaker at November meeting
 - a. Bob Agate will contact Bruce Harris (topic = handicap), may also contact Bruce Johnson (topic = Golf Committee update) for November or a future meeting.
5. Handicaps
 - a. Motion made, seconded and approved that for players to participate in MGA events they must post 60% of their scores.
 - b. Board discussed repercussions if a player is not posting 60% of their scores, decided to postpone finalizing repercussions for now.

- c. Handicap Allowance for MGA Play – Board aligned, when possible, the Handicap Allowance should follow USGA guidelines. What a game format isn't covered by USGA guidelines, Gene Dumont will work with Mike Lopnow to come up with a Handicap Allowance.
6. Board Positions/MGA By-Laws
- a. Bob Agate will talk with Mike Bickel and Jack Birecree to “clean up” who is the formal chairman of the MGA Handicap Committee (per the by-laws) and who will be the liaison to the HG Handicap Committee.
 - b. Tom Braunscheidel agreed to act as the point person to update the MGA By-Laws. All Board members should send suggestions/comments to Tom over the next 4-5 weeks. Goal is to have updated by-laws in place by the end of the 2025-2026 season. Updated by-laws will require member approval.
7. Overall Golf Course Schedule
- a. The Board discussed various elements of the golf course schedule, including the elimination of cross overs during the summer months and the confusion which has come up in the last 3 weeks around temporary schedules and last minute changes.
 - b. Paul Chipman will provide language for MGA Board alignment and after alignment, will forward to Bob Regnier for discussion with the HG Golf Committee.
8. Additional Topics
- a. Proper “drops” when a ball is hit into a red hazard was reviewed. All Board members agreed it would be best to not hit the ball into a hazard so one wouldn't have to deal with figuring out the “right” place to drop.
 - b. Board aligned that the web site should be updated with the 2025 Board members, will contact Jack Birecree upon his return to help get this done.

President Bob Agate closed the meeting.

Submitted,

Paul Chipman

Secretary