

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the SaddleBrooke Ranch Greens Committee Wednesday, July 3, 2024

A regular meeting of the SaddleBrooke Ranch Greens Committee (the "Committee") was held in the Private Dining Room, Ranch House Building, on Wednesday July 3, 2024.

Committee Members present: John Whitehead, Chairman, Alex Anna, Lynn Mulhall, Hal Peabody, Sam Rossi, BJ Schultz, and Steve Schuster. Absent: Rod Linville, Jack Dyck
Robson Staff present: Mike Jahaske, Aaron Thomas and Ken Steinke. Absent: Mark Giannonatti

Call to Order at 8:00 AM by John Whitehead, Chairman. Minutes of the May 1, 2024 meeting were approved.

Grounds Update: Aaron Thomas provided the following notes for discussion regarding the golf course maintenance:

2024 Wednesday Summer Projects -

- Top priority are the drainage priorities to address and work – French drains installed on Hole #1 right side of apron/approach, #4 behind green, #10 left of green, #8 right side of fairway in rough, #17 approach/fairway right side in rough, #15 left side fairway in rough, Hole #7 behind gold tee, left front of range floor.
- Dethatch all tee tops.
- Sod all weak areas in fairways and approaches – grow in to gain adequate density for winter season.
- Bunker drainage on selected bunkers- Remove 2'x2' square in underground concrete and add gravel/rocks in the square to facilitate drainage.
- Remove "dams" from green surface outflow areas – Holes 6 and 16
- Address Standing water along seven cart paths
- Plan and grow a nursery green to use for course green repairs
- Grow in weak areas of range floor
- Implement crumb rubber at bridge traffic areas on 10 and walk on 5.

Rod Linville provided the June 12th ride around report with Aaron that highlighted the priorities of the maintenance team during the June 3-9 course shutdown. The highlights discussed are as follows:

- Treatment of the irrigation system to prevent algae growth was planned and accomplished prior to the submission of this report.
- Fairways were aggressively raked and the clippings removed by vacuuming. Fairways were then mowed, sanded, and aerated with the Shock Wave aerator. Clippings from fairways were placed on bare spots on the driving range landing area in hopes that they will grow and fill in those areas. These same procedures are planned for the August shutdown.
- All tees will be aggressively dethatched to treat the spongy surface throughout the year.
- Greens and collars surrounding greens were sanded and aerated.
- Roughts are being treated with a solid slicer and aerated.

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Rod's report also noted these aggressive maintenance procedures taken will result in better playing conditions. Maintenance should be lauded for their very hard work in these warmer temperatures to provide the SBR residents a very well maintained and great looking golf course.

Golf Operations Update (Mike/Ken):

- Resident play is now holding steady at 85% of all rounds at the course.
- Annual cards and play cards in 2024 show a very small increase over 2023 totals. The pro shop is estimating about 62,000 rounds for this year, with 32,000 rounds as of July 3rd.
- The new and correct material for the driving range mats has been delivered. The installation by the Golf Maintenance team is planned for the September course shutdown.

New and Ongoing Items

The following items were discussed during the May meeting:

- The Local Rules were reviewed by the Committee, no changes are recommended to the rules this year. Mike will utilize the Forecaddie to clarify the 'relief from bare ground' rule.
- Chelsea tee sheet manipulation was discussed and no decisions have been made
- The Gold tee on Hole #7 use on cart path only days was discussed and there is no change. Players are being asked not to use the maintenance road to the right of the Gold tee and just walk to the tee from the left side cart path.
- The new cart rules were reviewed and the committee agrees with the rules. This will help the goal to cut down on course damage and golf cart traffic.
- A Greens Committee outing to Quail Creek has been planned for August 28th to evaluate the new Bermuda fairways.

The Greens Committee Meeting adjourned at 9:03 A.M.

The next Greens Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday September 4, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,
Hal Peabody