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Re: Club News

I wanted to let everyone know that your newly elected Club Officers have starting meeting (and Greg Horgan was good enough to join us for our first meeting and lend his expertise) to plan for this upcoming season. We hope to follow in Greg's footsteps in trying to make sure that everyone enjoys the golf, the course, all the tournaments and is happy with overall atmosphere of the Club. However, it is you the members, your spirit and diversity that makes the Saxony Club special so we know that will continue. We talked about a lot of things at our first "Executive committee" meeting but our priority is to maintain and continue to foster that spirit of "camaraderie" and "Club" feel that we all enjoy so much.

Thanks to Dan H for sending out the recent e-mail to the membership requesting members to volunteer for the tournament and rules committees. We're really counting on volunteers to Assist Dan H. and Tom Cook in planning and running tournaments. The more members get involved in the planning and club activities the better it will be for all. There will be more information given at the full meeting of the club planned for February, but just to give you a brief idea some of the areas being reviewed are:

- I) <u>The Club Constitution and Articles of Incorporation</u>- the Saxony Club has been a Corporation since 1956 and remains active as of today. The Constitution describes the Purpose, guidelines and operating policies and procedures for the club. Tom Cook and I are looking into what responsibilities, obligations, benefits of continuing our status as a (Non Profit and "Membership") Corporation.
- II) <u>Tournament Committee</u>- In reviewing the Club Constitution, there were several "Standing Committees" but one of the main ones was the Tournament Committee. This committee was given the responsibility to not only set up and oversee the tournaments but also to be the final decision maker and arbitrators of any and all disputes that arise in tournament play. In addition, the Tournament Committee was given the authority to make decisions about rules of play and also posting all local rules. So, in effect the Tournament and the Rules committee are closely related. So, we want to return to that original model and really need those members to volunteer and take an active role in working on this important committee.
- III) Joe Valenti is reviewing and preparing the budget for the new season. The use of Saxony Club funds and what to do with the surplus currently in the Club account is another important area that needs to be addressed.

The Constitution which was last updated in 1990 also requires that any changes to the Constitution (which at that time included the local rules) must be voted on by the full membership. So, we will try and have local rules and any other club business that requires a vote ready for the meeting of the full membership that is being planned for the end of February. I will send out the notice with the exact date, time and location as soon as those details get confirmed.

Thanks,

Andy Eisenberg