

# SFDGC Club Meeting Notes

Date: 2019-12-03

Attendance: approximately 30 people

## Agenda Items | Notes from meeting

- **2019 Safari Wrap** – Shawn M due to Jamie T. conflict
  - *The main takeaway here was that Safari 2019 was:*
    - *An A-Tier tournament for the first time ever*
    - *A great success in terms of the flow and play of the three-day tournament*
    - *Over budget in terms of financials - the club tends (and tries) to break even on Safari each year, but in 2019 we actually finished in the red by ~\$3000 (includes ~\$1500 for club donated lunch --- outside of tournament budget). One area to focus on, when trying in 2020 to get back to even is to lessen the number/kind of perks provided in player packs. Any single line item eliminated from the player packs or the sponsor packs would likely get us back close to break-even.*
- **2020 Safari Discussion** – Andy R. / Sean J.
  - *A tier or B tier?*
    - *A tier filing has happened. Despite some of the hiccups/questions around whether Safari 2019 needed to be an A-tier, it seems unwise to backslide to a B-tier now having moved up to A.*
  - *What's the next to-do step for 2020 planning?*
    - *Minor aesthetic choices for the course*
      - *Tree and bush pruning*
      - *Retaining wall on the hillside around 16B and 16C pins*
      - *More clearly demarcate OB lines near 15B and 15C pins - will involve purchase and install of new peeler core*
  - *Should there be division caps for registration?*
  - *Should there be more spots for Pro than Am going forward?*
    - *(question raised by Danny Kerfeld)*
  - *Should we look at different food options*
    - *A budget-focused question raised by club leadership based on having gone over budget in the 2019 Safari*
- **2019 Membership Update** – Shawn M.
  - *Membership stats as of 12/3/2019*

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	2019	2018	2017	2016
Total Members	376	365	355	312
% Increase Y-Y	3.01%	2.82%	13.78%	
New Members	102	93	107	96
% New	27.1%	25.5%	30.1%	30.8%
Dues Collected	\$15,705	\$15,060	\$14,420	---
Through Date	12/3/2019	1/10/2019	1/11/2018	1/8/2017

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- Should membership cost go up?
  - General agreement that cost should not go up at this time
  - Highest in the area but it is our primary source of fundraising
    - SFDGC does not “tax” the weeklies like many other clubs
- How do we make it more clear how/where to buy a membership/bag tag online?
  - More/better signage on the Hole 1 signboard?
    - Included in this, should we put a note on Hole 1 about “donating” to the club? (question raised by Chris Hart)
- **Recent Disc Sales** - Shawn M.
  - \$800+ in sales over two weekend
  - Thanks to Andy R., Shawn, Bob, and Jerry
  - Plan on bringing them out more often in the coming months
  - Might the club move to a model where “official” sellers of club discs get compensated for their time and effort in some way?
  - Would like to do re-run(s) of older tournament stamps
    - Lots of new players! Need to make sure we have beginner discs
- **2019 Financial Update** – Steve E.
  - 2019 Fiscal Year Report was shared (see handout / .pdf)
- **2020 Bag Tag Challenge** – Shawn M. / Andy R.
  - ~~Viento might not be available to cook~~
    - 12/10 Update: James Teets has agreed to cook
  - Possibly breakfast option for small fee
  - Discs received tomorrow 12/04
  - Tags in the next couple of weeks
  - Tee Times on Saturday
  - Disc Golf Scene / pre-register in order to get a tee time
  - Jerry: Can we try to implement metrics / goals to help us determine where to improve going forward?
    - Shawn: We can try to do that for this year. We do have good data year-to-year going back to 2017

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- *Other questions about change in format addressed either at the meeting or with messaging following meeting*
- *Booth Burrows voiced strong opposition to changes and decision making process*
  - *Shawn: We made these changes based on negative feedback from past two years regarding the Saturday AM line. The timing of announcing changes is not great due to late timing of meeting. This was not intentional. Shawn and Andy R. had to have a plan ready to go.*
  - *Changes are intended to make tournament experience more inclusive and transparent for all club members and the process of running the tournament more scalable. However, we do understand it's a big change. We will make changes next year based on lessons learned from 2020 (same as past years).*
  - *Feedback was considered and some adjustments were made to try to preserve more of the "early AM" experience; this is why registration opened at 6AM on a Saturday;*
- **GGP150 Update**
  - *Shawn and/or Jon have attended a couple of meetings about this*
  - *Year long celebration of GGP's 150th Anniversary*
  - *Looking to participate in 04/04 park wide celebration (i.e. public outreach, demo, etc..)*
  - *Looking to rally volunteers to participate in various projects*
  - *Great opportunity to meet / interact with other groups using the park as well as park staff.*
- **GGPDGC Infrastructure Update – Jon T. / Shawn M.**
  - *BP (Matt McDonald) has been doing an excellent job.*
  - *Work Parties really picked up in 2019!!*
    - *Andy Nguyen led monthly (or more often) WPs on Saturdays*
    - *Luke Walton on Wednesday nights*
    - *Shawn Mercy ran a few leading up to BB and again in June*
  - *Tee Signs*
    - *Working with Jamie on design using DGP products*
    - *Teets has agreed to lead installation*
    - *Jon Toby has agreed to oversee/approve design*
    - *Targeting mid-late February for installation*
    - *Estimating \$4k+*
  - *"Watch for Flying Discs" signs*
    - *David Von Dollen put together a proposal*

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- *SFR&P Approval?*
- *What does DVD need to move forward?*
- *George Marx Memorial Project - \$3k donation to the club on behalf of George*
  - *Hole 16 C Pin retaining walls*
  - *Goal is to stabilize that hillside around base of large cypress*
  - *JT and Shawn met with Homescape Now at the course*
    - *Proposal for 50' of wall @ 2.5' tall*
    - *Using interlocking blocks*
    - *\$8875 total*
      - *\$3115 in materials*
      - *\$5760 in labor - volunteer labor not allowed but can use as training*
      - *Can save ~\$405 on blocks but sharper edges*
      - *Wood is cheaper but doesn't last nearly as long and can rebuild the blocks if they eventually move.*
- *Andy N. requested that the club set-up a Work Party sheet that allows club members to volunteer to lead scheduled work parties*
  - *Officers agreed to do this*
- **HELP WANTED: Weekly Scoring Administrator**
  - *David Falzone would like to pass this on to someone else*
  - *Dedicated 7 years to doing this for the club*
  - *Need someone with experience in Excel*
    - ***Bob McGarity volunteered to take on this role (applause)***
  - *Hopefully will be on UDisc within a couple seasons*
- **HELP WANTED Weekly Cash Box Holder**
  - *Jon Toby would like to pass this responsibility to someone else*
    - ***Harper Alexander volunteered to take on this role (applause)***
  - *What about the cash drop location? TBD*
- **Officer Elections**
  - *Steve Erle will stay on as Treasurer*
  - *Harper Alexander nominated for Secretary role and quorum present votes "Yes"*
  - *Chris Tirrell nominated for Vice President role and quorum present votes "Yes"*
  - *Shawn Mercy nominated for President role and quorum present votes "Yes"*
- **SFDGC Entity Review**
  - *Shawn Mercy requests club officer review legal entity status*

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- *Officers will dig into this and make a proposal by EOQ1?*
- **Next meeting**
  - *Next club meeting will be set for mid-2020*