



Annual Meeting

MINUTES
ANNUAL MEETING Of MEMBERSHIP
Tuesday, September 6, 2022
6 p.m. - Clubhouse

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by President Clewett at 6:06 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Len Clewett, Scott Drechsler, Linda EVB, Louis Gerzin, Lori Casey, Tim Cooper-Manager and Justin Hirdler-Superintendent. **Absent:** Frank Guldbrandsen and Dawn Rowe

MEMBER & VISITORS: None

MINUTES: September 13, 2021 minutes were approved 5-0 after a motion by Linda Enquist VandenBranden, seconded by Scott Drechsler.

NEW – OLD BUSINESS

Presidents Report – Clewett

1. Clubhouse Update: Thanks to Hirdler and Cooper for the fantastic jobs they continued to do. We all hear many positive statements from members and guest about the maintenance crew and the best greens in the area. I believe we provide a positive experience for golfers in Ely from the clubhouse to their golfing experience. Well done staff!
2. Overall expenses are down over last year and the raffle income of \$4,200 really helped. Our target goal is to make a profit between \$10-\$20,000. We have lost revenue in all membership categories. The club continues to be concerned about our old irrigation system. Number three seems to be the worst hole. It will be expensive to hire a consultant to look at some renovation but believe it is important to get an estimate. If members have revenue or course improvement ideas please direct them to the manager or a board member.

Treasurer & Events Report - EVB

1. Treasury: As mentioned previously, membership is down in all categories but green fees have grown above last year's revenue. Casey collected all league membership lists except one which should help us look at retention and recruitment of members. Next year we will regain income of around \$3,600 from scorecards and tee box
2. Events: The committee is looking at adding a Par 3 Big Cup tournament and rearranging a couple tournament dates to boost revenue. Night golf tournament expenses are always much higher due to equipment cost and besides that with only 11 teams so are it appears our income will be down about \$800 this year. Thank you to all sponsors-ZUPS; Dirty Dog Mfg; Wolfand Computer & Hobby; Grand Ely Lodge and Ely Golf Club. Also thanks to all participants, setup crew, clubhouse staff, scoring and maintenance staff for supporting and assisting with events.

Superintendent & Building/Grounds Report – Hirdler

1. It has been a good year with all the rain received. The tee box on the top of four is completed but it is closed right now getting ready for tournaments. It is important that golfers obey the closed signs and players stay on the golf path all the way to the tee. Some of the turf has been damaged at the top of the hill by carts running up the hillside instead of staying of the path. Hirdler has agreed to create a Big Cup tournament set up for the Commercial League on their fun night.

2. Many tree stumps have been removed and the brush is stacked. Upcoming projects will be sanding, verticutting and eventually deep tining at the end of the season. MTI will be here in October to blow out the irrigation lines at a cost of \$800.

Manager's Report – Cooper (same as of August 31st)

1. Beginning September 1st clubhouse hours will be 9 to 5 until closure. Signs on both doors and the voice mail recording have been changed to reflect the new hours.
2. With the end of the season approaching, I am really backing off on what I buy that is perishable. There is a fine line between running out of something and having a bunch of food, pop, wine and beer that goes to waste (wasted money). After the club closes the Pepsi products and coolers will be taken out and replace them with Coke products and coolers. This is necessary as Pepsi will no longer deliver to us-we are too small for them.
3. Even though I just replaced the GolfNow software this spring I was notified there will be another change next spring. In 2022, I put in well over 40 hours to install the hardware and software. I did not charge the club for those hours. Hopefully next spring the new install will be easier.
4. As it sits right now we only have 11 teams for the Night Golf Tournament. This is very strange as in the past there has always been a waiting list. Maybe next year we should consider changing tourney dates. Also we should coordinate with Babbitt so we do not have tournaments of the same day.
5. In light of all the staffing problems businesses are having, the club really lucked out this year. Overall we had good clubhouse employees and are fully staffed until the end of the season.

Other Reports: Attached are reviews or reports of the following committees (without membership lists).

1. Handicap Committee
2. Couples League
3. Ladies (EWGA) League
4. Commercial League
5. Beautification
6. Youth Golf Camp

ELECTION RESULTS: Three open board positions were available. Four members ran for three seats and two write-in members received a total of three votes. Fifty three members cast 114 votes (3 votes were allowed per person), no spoiled ballots. Scott Drechsler, Linda Enquist VandenBranden, and Adam Hagin are the three newly elected board members. L. Clewett thanked all who were willing to volunteer to run for a board seat.

NEXT ANNUAL MEETING: Annual Meeting will be in early September 2023 – date to be announced.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Closed Meeting October 5th at 4:00 for evaluations followed by a Reorganizational Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Agendas and minutes for the past year are available on the website under Board & Staff.

<https://www.elymngolfclub.com/membership/board-meetings/>

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned by President Clewett at 11:50 a.m.

Annual Membership Meeting
Summary of Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Comparison
Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2022
Profit and Loss through September 6, 2022

ASSETS – Reported as August 31st.	Jan-Aug 31 2022	Jan-Aug 31, 2021	Difference
Checking Account	\$66,608.91	\$128,849.27	(\$62,240.36)
Capital	\$43,786.93	\$12,721.62	\$31,065.31
Savings Account	\$43,187.42	\$27,111.20	\$16,076.22
Youth Savings	\$7,337.42	\$7,337.42	\$0.00
Cash on Hand	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Petty Cash	(\$1.00)	(\$1.00)	\$0.00
Total Cash and Savings	\$161,919.68	\$176,518.51	(\$14,598.83)
Adjusted Profit & Loss	Jan-Sept 6, 2022	Jan-Sept 6, 2022	Difference
INCOME			
Green Fees	\$57,968.18	\$50,825.37	\$7,142.81
Punch Cards	\$3,545.05	\$4,442.80	(\$897.41)
Twilight Golf	\$1,817.05	\$2,812.29	(\$995.24)
Total Green Fees	\$63,330.28	\$58,080.12	\$5,250.16
Leagues (Donations and Fees)	\$6,085.30	\$4,868.00	\$1,227.30
Membership Adult	\$25,740.39	\$26,980.94	(\$1,240.55)
Couples	\$13,448.00	\$16,433.06	(\$2,987.06)
Student	\$944.00	\$1,652.00	(\$708.00)
Incentive & Other	\$20,894.72	\$21,037.21	(\$142.49)
Cart Shed Rental Fees	\$8,260.00	\$9,925.00	(\$1,665.20)
Trail Fees	\$7,300.00	\$8,595.32	(\$1,295.32)
Total Membership	\$76,585.11	\$84,623.73	(\$8,038.62)
Rentals Cart Rentals Up \$5,169.05	\$35,806.28	\$31,379.28	\$4,427.00
Tournaments	\$11,084.58	\$12,556.70	(\$1,472.12)
Pro Shop Income	\$27,799.42	\$34,918.74	(\$7,119.32)
Cost of Goods (deduct)	\$23,583.11	\$18,400.20	\$5,152.91
GROSS PROFIT-INCOME	\$197,572.86	\$209,026.37	(\$11,453.51)
EXPENSES			
Total Clubhouse Expenses	\$82,297.33	\$86,850.01	(\$4,552.68)
Total Projects	\$82.30	\$1,064.64	(\$982.34)
Rental Expenses	\$11,700.00	\$10,800.00	\$900.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$158,272.30	\$160,648.15	(\$2,375.85)
Net Ordinary Income - Income minus Expense	\$39,300.56	\$48,378.22	(\$9,077.66)
Total Other Income - Raffle revenue = \$4,200.00	\$7,423.02	\$56,083.62	(\$48,660.60)
Total Other Expense	\$0.00	\$70.00	(\$70.00)
Net Other Income	\$7,423.02	\$56,013.62	(\$48,590.60)
NET INCOME	\$46,723.58	\$104,391.84	(\$57,668.26)

SBA grant & Insurance Net Income in 2022 = \$51,530.00

Handicap "Committee" Report

September 6, 2022

Fourteen Ely Golf Club (EGC) members purchased the ability to obtain a Handicap Index through MGA (Minnesota Golf Association). Official USGA/R&A handicaps may be obtained through any authorized associations or club. In Ely we have a few frequent members use the local GHIN software (laptop computer station) to enter or access scores. The majority of visitors and MGA members tend to utilize mobile apps or watches to track their progress. An associate membership is discounted to \$30 per year if purchased through the course-includes handicapping. The software and support is included. Any club using USGA/R&A trademarks and services must appoint a "Committee". This Committee is also responsible for making local rules and monitoring the player/course handicap system. Jim Townsend chairs the committee along with Barb Soderberg and Lori Casey.

MGA Memberships Obtained Through EGC

PLAYER #	HCP-18	GENDER
11441706	14.2	R
4786182	7.4	M
10384486	4.9	M
419155	29.9	F
3950823	11.3	M
6947549	15.4	F
10722844	7.3	M
2202283	10.7	M
6947553	22.1	M
3950834	22.6	F
11442644	22.5	F
6901203	24.6	F
6947558	32.4	M
2757595	52.5	M

Handicap Index

A HCP or Index is a calculation of a player's potential scoring ability, not an average. How to calculate?

1) If a player has never established an index they begin by keeping track of scores using a max score per hole of +5. After a handicap is established the max score per hole is limited to a net double bogey or par + 2 strokes + any course handicap strokes earned on specific holes. This maximum score allowed is named the Adjusted Gross Scores.

2) Turn a minimum of three 18 hole scores into differential scores.

Differential Formula = Adjusted Gross 18 hole score - course rating x 113 ÷ by slope (round to nearest tenth).

3) Calculate a handicap index. Handicap Index Formula = average the best most recent 8 out of 20 differentials and rounded to the nearest tenth. A player may begin with an unofficial index using three 18 hole scores. A Handicap Index is portable all over the world but is modified for each course played. The index is updated daily.

4) Finally, calculate a "Course" Handicap Index every time you play. Let MGA or USGA sites do it for free.

Course Handicap = Handicap Index x Slope Rating ÷ 113 + Par.

5) Note: This is not the exact formula but fairly close due to other factors considered. Example: Combining 9 hole scores to make an 18 hole score requires a slightly different formula. There are adjustments and caps built into the official formula including restricted upward movement in the index, adjustments in exceptional scores, and playing conditions like high winds or rain. Rounding of a negative differential score has different rules as well.

COUPLES LEAGUE
September 6, 2022

The Couples League played with 17 dues paying couples, with three others who only played once or twice due to injury or work commitments. Our season was impacted by COVID virtually each and every Friday night, with at least four couples with COVID at various times. That also affected play by others who had reasons to be extra cautious due to upcoming travel or medical procedures.

We remain disappointed that the Board has restricted our season to end with the Labor Day weekend and hope that there is a way that we can continue to play in the offseason and still finish at the same time to be able to dine together. In past years, even with a tee time block we have been able to work with the front desk to allow others on the course at the same time as us - whether members or paying customers. In addition we have worked with the front desk during our tee time block in the season to allow paying customers on the course during our play - something that does not happen with other leagues anywhere near as often.

We plan to donate an additional \$425 to the Club to bring our total donation to \$500 for the season. Our members, along with the Women's League are entirely responsible for all of the flower beds, flower pots, and other beautification items on the course.

Kurt Soderberg

2022
EWGA – Ladies League

The Ladies league (EWGA) begins the first Monday in June through the last Monday in August. Most often the week of the July is omitted. This year we scheduled 12 dates-teeing off at 4 pm. Players are allowed to choose a scramble or medal (stroke) play format. Most often we begin by occupying 5 to or 6 holes in a shot gun start.

Special Events: Every other year we host Babbitt's Ladies League in a friendly scramble. This year the exchange was in Ely. The last Monday in August our group organizes a league scramble in which we tee off a 2 p.m. celebrating our senior most players.

A supper committee is assigned each week to provide a light supper for those who attend. The meal is served at 6 pm.

EWGA had 34 paid memberships this year with a few additional guests. We do not have teams but par up ladies based on the type of play requested. A list of members is attached. Not all of individuals are active each week.

The league donated \$500 to Ely Golf Club towards anticipated course improvements- specifically rebuilding #5 and #8 tee boxes.

Michelle Young and Mary Levar will become co-presidents in 2023 and Diane Thompson remains secretary.

Ruth Logar & Michelle Young

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE 2022

81 players

14 events with two weather cancellations

\$3104.89 donated to the Ely Golf Club in 2022

(\$2000 donated directly to Superintendent account & \$1104.89 in yardage markers, misc.)

Let me know if there are any questions by email or text.

Brian Olson

Commercial League President

Attach Membership List

2022 Beautification

Karen Dahl and Barb Soderberg: Coordinators

They take care of plants around clubhouse, Ryberg Wall potted plants on #4 and filling in this year on hole #2.

Hole 1: Diane Vertin

Hole 2 : Nancy Hanson or Soderberg/Dahl

Hole 3: Brooks and Mary Beth Shepard

Hole 4: Sarah & Len Clewett

Hole 5: Sarah Clewett

Hole 6: Kevin and Jo Lawler

Hole 7: Barb Hall

Hole 8: Michelle Young

Hole 9: Diane Thompson & Ruth Logar

YOUTH GOLF: Lori & Len Facilitators

(2) Jim Townsend, Brooks Shepard, Frank Guldbrandsen, Dan Olsen – had 14 students

(3 & 4) Len Clewett, Fred Breitling and Ray Theobald (13)

(4 & 5) Tim Cooper, Ruth Logar and Kurt Soderberg (6)

Registration: Sarah Clewett

Clubs: Len Clewett

Celebration Friday: Karen Dahl and Barb Soderberg (donation).

Ely, Duluth, Virginia, MN, States of Iowa, Texas

ELY GOLF CAMP 2022
June 14 – 17
8:45 – 11:15
\$20 Bags, Tees, Clubs & Bag Provided

Thank you to the coaches and volunteers who helped with Ely's Golf Camp in 2022.

Jim Townsend, Brooks Shepard, Frank Guldbrandsen, Fred Breitling, Len Clewett, Sarah Clewett, Dave Casey, Dan Olson, Justin Hirdler & Crew, Clubhouse Crew, Ray Theobald, Ruth Logar, Tim Cooper, Karen Dahl, Barb and Kurt Soderberg.

YOUTH GOLF: Echo Article 2022

Lori Casey

Thirty-three golf camp participants grades 3 – 8 were definitely not swatting at golf balls last week at Ely Golf Club. Sand flies were swarming so the rhythm of play seemed to be swing the club, swat the bugs, and listen for that putt to sink! Throughout the week the pests seemed to decline and the winds helped create a comfortable atmosphere. Several returning students from Ely, Duluth, and Virginia welcomed newcomers from Iowa and Texas. As in past years volunteer members of Ely Golf Club taught the game of golf to young girls and boys. The goal was to have fun, learn the game of golf or fine tune the "good" skills previously learned. Tuesday through Friday coaches spent 90% of the time on the course. They taught a skill, tested for accuracy and practiced that swing in a game situation. Coaches reported their experience was well worth it after seeing the positive behavior exhibited by players and excitement shown after executing airmail, barkies, or birdie shots. The popcorn and treats on Friday may have been the biggest hit for players. The kids and staff had fun and the program is thankful for our volunteers, club staff and contributors to Ely Golf Club or the Ely

See Enrollment/Registration Form Attachment



ELY GOLF CLUB YOUTH GOLF CAMP

JUNE 14 – 17
Girls & Boys Ages 8 – 14 or grades 3rd – 8th
\$20 – Check Preferred
Arrival 8:45 a.m. & Pickup 11:15 a.m.
Balls, Tees, Clubs & Bag Provided

Our Youth Golf Program will focus on teaching and reinforcing golf skills and etiquette to beginning, intermediate and advanced players. In a fun and encouraging manner, students learn and practice golf skill through repetitive drills on and off the course. Most coaches are experienced golf players and Ely Golf Club members. Masks are optional for all.

Students are divided by skill, experience and/or age and what works best for teaching golf. We do allow students to be paired together if skill levels are similar. Sometimes we separate genders. Place requests or additional information on back of registration form.

On first day, students who need clubs should arrive between 8:30 and 8:45 a.m. Camp begins at 9 a.m. Clearly mark shafts when bringing own clubs. Lessons are outside all week. Players must be prepared with appropriate clothing, tennis or golf shoes (no flip flops), jackets, and sun or bug repellent – See lotion permission below. Call clubhouse about absences or weather related questions? Students are prioritized by past participation, payment and then registration date. **Enrollment is limited by group size.** Parent/Guardian will be notified if child is wait listed. Enrollment reminders emailed to parents on/before June 12th.

Participants Name (Printed)		Gender	Grade Next Year	Date of Birth: / /	
Circle Group Level: See skill description on website or description at club. 1 1A 2 3 4		Height-needed for fitting.	Will You Need Clubs? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Right Handed <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Left Handed <input type="checkbox"/>		
Prior Ely Camp or Golf Experience - in Years?		Street Address			
Agree to give your child bug/sun lotion? (child will apply) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		City		Zip Code	
Contact Person #1		Relationship to Youth?		Phone # or Cell #	
Contact Person #2 (if needed)		Relationship to Youth?		Phone # or Cell #	
Best Email Address (Needed to send communication to parent or guardian)					

Participation Agreement Signature below of child's guardian or parent indicates agreement and acknowledgement that enrollee may participate in this golf camp and understands the exposure to inherent risk of participation. Signature also indicates knowledge that staff and volunteers may not carry personal insurance to cover child's injuries due to participation. Participation agreement signature verifies acceptance of full responsibility and cost of treatment for enrollee's injury or damages while participating or traveling to and from this activity. Please see golf manager if questions about participation.

Parent or Guardian Signature Waiver and Participation Agreement

Date

► Please list confidential allergy, health issue, limitations, conflicts, etc., or request on back of this page) ◀

\$15 for third child or more in same immediate family – Scholarships Available

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