

Santa Barbara Men's Golf Club  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

March 13, 2012  
6:00 PM

Present: Matt Free, LeRoy Villa, Bill Rupp, Biff Copeland, Tom Mitchell, Greg  
Bristol, Rick Padilla, Dominic Namnath  
Guest: Rick Gerard

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

MOTION: Approval of minutes of 2/15/12 Board Meeting (Mitchell, Padilla;  
passed unanimously)

**Discussions and Actions**

1 Selection of new Vice President and Chairman of the Handicap Committee  
(VP for Handicaps)

ISSUE: Bill Rupp, our current VP for Handicaps has resigned because his  
work is taking him to China. The Club needs a new VP for Handicaps. That  
person must be willing to attend the next SCGA Handicap Chairman  
Certification Class. The By-Laws require that, in the event of a vacancy in  
mid-term, the Board appoint a new person to fill the void.

MOTION: Because of the urgency to fill this vacancy, the Board should  
appoint a VP for Handicaps from its members this evening. Nominations will  
be taken and the vote will be by secret ballot. (Mitchell, Padilla; passed 6-1)

ELECTION: Dominic Namnath was elected to the position of VP for Handicaps  
by majority vote.

2 Selection of new Member-at-Large

ISSUE: Because Namnath is vacating his position as Member-at-Large to take  
on the position of VP for Handicaps, the Board must appoint a new Member-  
at-Large.

MOTION: Within the next two days, the Secretary will send an e-mail to all  
members, asking for names to put into nomination for this position.  
Nominations will be sent to the Board President, Matt Free and must be in by  
March 23, 2012. At its next regular Board meeting, the Board will hear from  
any members who wish to be considered for the position and then select the  
new Member-at-Large. (Villa, Bristol; passed unanimously)

3 Buy-in costs for 9-hole tournaments

ISSUE: this year, the Club will experiment with holding a twilight  
tournament. Should the cost of buy-in be the same as a regular 18-hole  
tournament?

MOTION: The cost of all tournament buy-ins should be the same, regardless  
of the tournament's length. (Copeland, Namnath; passed unanimously)

4 Possibility of Special Tournament in June

ISSUE: The Club has been asked to participate in an ESPN Challenge Tournament on June 2, 2012. The format is 2-Man Best Ball. Our regular weekend tournament in June is scheduled to have an Individual format.

MOTION: Members participating in our regular, individually formatted tournament (buy-in = \$10.00) may also choose to select a partner and participate in the ESPN Challenge Tournament (buy-in = \$25.00) during the same round. (NOTE: A player may have two different partners if he desires, each requiring a \$25.00 buy-in.) The best team that exercised this option will win the right to go on to ESPN-sponsored regional and, is successful, national playoffs. (Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

5 New Club Web-Site

ISSUE: At its last meeting, the Board authorized the Secretary, with technical assistance of other Board members, to combine the current Club Web-site and Club Newsletter (both web-based) into a single Club Web-site that will perform all functions required by the Club. A prototype of the new Web-site was demonstrated to the Board and options were considered.

MOTION: The Web-site, in its current form, will be launched within three days following this meeting. Over the coming months, adaptations and modifications will be considered in an effort to improve its utility to the membership. (Namnath, Villa, passed unanimously)

6 Information to New Members

ISSUE: In the past few years, Bill Rupp, VP for Handicaps, sent a package of welcoming and informative information to new members as they joined the Club. Following his resignation, he will no longer be performing this valued function.

MOTION: From now on, one of the responsibilities of the Club Secretary will be to send this information packet. (Mitchell, Copeland, passed unanimously)

7 Policy Clarification

ISSUE: The policies by which the Club is governed are currently located in various places, not clearly written, and often contradictory. At the last Board meeting a committee was created and tasked to review all existing statements of Club policy and bring to the Board recommendations for their clarification. The committee's report was considered by the Board, section by section, with the following results:

MOTION: The following "Compensation Recommendation" is adopted:

**Compensation Recommendation:**

**Board Members**

- All directors will have yearly membership dues waived.
- The following directors will receive \$125.00 per month
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Handicap Chairman

#### Non Board Members

- Tournament Coordinator will receive \$175.00 per month

No other positions will be compensated. Note: Previously compensation for the Secretary, Treasurer, and Handicap Chairman varied from \$100.00 to \$150.00. At one time compensation for the President was green fees and entry fees paid at any Men's Club tournament he participates in.

(Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following "Mean Allowance Recommendation" is adopted:

#### **Meal Allowance Recommendation:**

Board Meetings: For all board members and guest attending the monthly board meeting a meal will be provided in accordance with the following guidelines.

- Board members are responsible for the cost of Meals in excess of \$10.00, not including a beverage.
- Members are responsible for paying cash "on the spot" for meal charges in excess of these guidelines.
- One non-alcoholic beverage will be paid for by the club.
- Alcohol and deserts will not be paid for by the club.

Tournament Workers: For any working a tournament verifying and posting scores, and collecting and tracking "skins" participation a meal will be provided in accordance with the following guidelines.

- A meal not to exceed \$10.00, and a non-alcoholic beverage.
- Alcohol and deserts will not be paid for by the club.
- Members are responsible for paying cash "on the spot" for meal charges in excess of these guidelines.

(Villa, Copeland, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following "Tournament – Eligibility Recommendation" is adopted:

#### **Tournament– Eligibility**

- All club members with a current SCGA handicap.
- The Handicap Chairman may assign a temporary handicap with a minimum of five (5) scores.
- Anyone without a handicap may play as a zero (0) handicap.

(Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following "Tournament – Club Championship Recommendation" is adopted:

#### **Tournament – Club Championship**

- Eligibility
  - All entries must have played in four (4) monthly tournaments since the previous Club Championship.
  - In Case of Ties for 1st Place winners will be determined as follows:

- Club Championship Gross Division will be decided by a sudden death playoff beginning on the first hole.
- Club Championship Net Flight will be decided by a four (4) hole playoff starting at the first hole (regular hole handicaps will apply). If competitors are still tied then use the DECIMAL HANDICAP (approved 2-12-95). If there is still a tie, four more holes will be played.
- Payouts: To be determined by the Board of Directors
- Over-all Low Gross and Low Net winners (these will be higher payouts than the flights).
- Net winners in each flight.
- 40% of the field will receive a payout.

(Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following “Tournament – Monthly Tournaments Recommendation” is adopted:

**Tournament – Monthly Tournaments**

- Payouts
  - 40% of the field and ties are paid
  - First gross winners are determined
  - Then net winners are determined
  - For team events gross winners do not apply
- In case of ties
  - Gross winners will use the USGA recommended card off procedure to break 1st Place ties.
  - All other ties will stand

(Copeland, Mitchell, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following “Tournament – Turkey Shoot Recommendation” is adopted:

**Tournament – Turkey shoot**

- Payouts
  - 50% of the field will receive a payout.
  - Payouts will be \$25.00 gift certificates.
  - Low Gross and Low Net in each flight will receive two certificates.

(Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

MOTION: Consideration of the “Tournament – President’s Cup Recommendation” is tabled: (Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following “Tournament – Rules Recommendation” is adopted:

**Tournament – Rules**

- USGA Rules Apply (All members are encouraged to carry a rule book.)
- Summer Rules apply to all tournaments.
- No member will be allowed to participate in a tournament if he has already played on the course the same day (this includes practicing on the course, on any green and in any bunker).

(Mitchell, Copeland, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following “Tournament – Procedures for Ties Recommendation” is adopted:

**Tournament – Procedures for Ties**

- In case of ties
  - Gross winners will use the USGA recommended card off procedure to break 1st Place ties.
  - All other ties will stand
- A flier explaining the details of the tournament will be attached to the score card for every tournament.

(Villa, Bristol, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following “Tournament – Fees Recommendation” is adopted:

**Tournament – Fees**

- Entry fee for all tournaments is set at \$10.00.
- No show (cancellation in less than 24 hours before an event) fee is set at \$10.00, payable before participation in the next tournament.

(Namnath, Mitchell, passed unanimously)

MOTION: The following “Players’ Responsibilities Recommendation” is adopted:

**Player Responsibilities**

- Players are expected to conduct themselves in a polite and rational manner while on the course and abide by the rules of golf and demonstrate proper golf etiquette.
- Players are expected to post scores either on the pro-shop computer or online on the day of the tournament.
- Scorecards:
  - Players will exchange scorecards and keep track of playing partners score. In addition, each player will keep track of his own score, on the same card.
  - Scorecards must be signed and attested after the scores have been verified.
  - Cards are to be turned in promptly at the end of play.

(Villa, Mitchell)

MOTION TO AMEND THE ABOVE MOTION:

The following will be added following the sentence in the 2<sup>nd</sup> bullet, “All tournament scores should be posted as regular rounds except 1) the Club Championship, and 2) the Turkey Shoot, which should be posted as Tournament scores.”

(Copeland, Namnath)

MOTION TO TABLE THE MOTION TO AMMEND

(Villa, Bristol, passed 3/2)

(Main motion passed unanimously)

MOTION: Consideration of the “Miscellaneous Recommendation” concerning Advertisements in on the Club Website is tabled: (Villa, Namnath, passed unanimously)

8 Guidelines for Team Play

ISSUE: At the previous Board meeting a set of guidelines for team play was proposed and discussed. Action on adoption was postponed until the present meeting so that they could be carefully considered by the Board members.

MOTION: The “Proposed 2013 S.C.G.A. Team Play Guidelines” should be adopted.

MOTION TO AMMEND: The following change should be made: “Players ~~should~~ must play in enough Men’s Club events to qualify to play in the Men’s Club Championship.” (Copeland, Villa; amendment passed unanimously) (Copeland, Namnath; Motion passed unanimously)

**Standard Reports**

- Team Play – Greg Bristol  
The Club Team finished the season with a disappointing 2 – 4 season but enthusiasm is high for improvement next year.
- Secretary – Biff Copeland)  
Report covered in Section 5 above.
- Treasurer’s Report – Tom Mitchell  
Current membership is at 291 members. Bank balance is \$17,687.70.
- Handicap –  
MOTION: A Handicap Committee should be appointed each year. It’s primary duty will be to review and approve or not and adjustments to a member’s handicap recommended by the VP for Handicaps.  
Consideration of this motion was tabled (Villa, Bristol, passed 6-1)
- Golf Shop – Rich Barker  
No report
- Golf Advisory Council – Dominic Namnath  
Report to be submitted after tomorrow’s meeting
- Tournaments – LeRoy Villa  
Member/Guest sign-up is quite low as of this date. Many more sign-ups are needed or the Tournament will have to be cancelled.

Next meeting scheduled for April 10, 2012 at 6:00pm in Mulligans

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35

Respectfully submitted

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Biff Copeland