

CRWGA General Membership Meeting - February 3, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Nancy Gerlach with 39 members in attendance. Members were asked if there were any corrections to the January 6, 2026 CRWGA General Meeting minutes. Linda Shostak asked that her name be removed from updating the website. Motion was made to approve minutes as corrected. Motion approved and carried.

Treasurer's Report: Molly Heisler reported that CRWGA's financial situation is strong. Profits were made from both the Christmas party and the Member/Member Tournament. Operating capital has approximately \$12,000. The monies from the Invitational have not yet been included. She will post the updated financial statement in the following week in the Golf Lounge,

Tournament /League Play: Jan Biddle had nothing new to add.

Handicap: Diane Coole stated that 22 members are soft-capped and one member is hard-capped. Beth Borel and Janet Jackett shot an ES (exceptional score). Debbie Beardsworth dropped her handicap by two. Ann Jonasen dropped her handicap by two and then again by one. Margie Caves dropped her handicap by 4. No PC adjustments were made in January.

Rules: Nancy Gerlach informed everyone that the rakes stay in the sand traps so that the grounds crew can do their jobs more expeditiously.

Social: Marlene Zaharichuk reported that President's Cup is February 17 and 24. Social will follow each play day.

Advertising: Bobbie Stearns commented that Vickie Johnson is coordinating the team of ladies putting the signs out when needed and that it is working well. Thank you ladies! She also reminded members to continue to use the services of our advertisers and to remember to use the QR code for Leaf Filter when booking them as we then receive a kickback.

Committee Chairs Reports:

Membership – AGA Representative: no report available

Central Arizona Golf District: No Report

Team Play - Mary Hayes noted that CRWGA had a very successful hosting day. She thanked Jan, Ruthie and Larry for looking after carts and clubs, Leslie and Sue P. for acting as Marshals, and everyone who donated carts. Currently, CRWGA is in 3rd place overall, 3rd in gross scores, and 3rd in net scores. Next Team Play is February 12 at Las Sendas. She has enough players but will need additional players for upcoming Team Play in Seville and Cottonwood in March. LW Cafeteria did an excellent job hosting dinner. Knowing that LW is a BYOB community, many guests brought wine so wine supplies are now quite healthy. 48 players from six different clubs played. \$75 fee covered all costs. Meal cost was \$16. She thanked members who helped serve. CRWGA received very positive feedback from those attending.

Membership: No new members. New member Debbie Koepke's picture has been added to roster.

Recognition: Linda Shostak pointed out that four CRMGA members will be mentioned at the Memorial Tournament. She said there may be a date change to February 22 because currently it is the same day as Guys and Dolls play. Membership will be notified.

Ringers / Birdies / Chip-ins: Cindy Gee won the January chip-in draw and Janet Jackett won the January birdie draw.

Hole-in One: Betty Reider was absent.

Friendship: Cindy Gee sent out five cards in January: Carla Wizniak, Ardis Vandenbos, Sylvia Mittelsteadt, Nancy Will, and lastly Sandy Jerstad who will be staying in South Dakota for medical reasons.

50 /50: Donna Townsley informed everyone that raffle tickets will be sold both before and after open play at the Invitational.

Special Event Chairs: Both Molly Heisler and Marlene Zaharichuk presented information regarding the upcoming Invitational. 104 players, 70 guest players and 15 guest/guest teams. Baskets need to be dropped off to Janet Jackett by Thursday. So far 34 baskets. Jan Mitchell will talk about local rules prior to tournament start. (Rules will also be attached to information sheet provided that day.) Will use directional and drop zone signs to assist guests on golf course. Green sparklers will be used to mark T-boxes. Some extra fun ideas will be added to play. Lynda Longpre will be photographer. Will take pictures using people's individual cell phones. Anyone not having a cell phone, pictures will be stored and shared for a week period.

Upcoming dates: President's Cup – February 17 and 24
Memorial Cup – February 15 (alternate date possibility is February 22)
Club Championship – March 10 and 13

New Business:

1. Next Membership Meeting is March 3 at the Pavilion. Nancy will try to change the location if possible and notify membership.

2. Golf Advisory Board Meeting Information – Nancy Gerlach reported that there are 540 total memberships/punch cards. 362 members for both courses and 178 HL only. Rounds and revenues up from last year. Total Revenue \$478,587 by December, 2025 versus \$381,290 by December, 2024. Kyle and Jedd are giving golf lessons and clinics. Pro Shop appreciates the Green Stewards (CRMGA) and Divot Patrols (CRWGA). Ping Demo Day is Feb. 12 and Callaway Demo Day is Feb. 19. Dedication to Duffy is Feb. 19 at noon at the first T-box. Golf maintenance plan is moving forward. Top dress and greens cut more frequently (mowing heights affecting green speeds). Water schedule is reduced. Irrigation Project: CR golf course closing April 20. Skeleton crews will be arriving in February. Approximately first 7 to 15 feet will be hard packed ground, the next 8 to 15 feet will be hydosedded. Sand traps will be altered / added. More changes information is available in Pro Shop. Shane and Marvin will take care of some T-box changes as not included in plan. It was suggested that a change on hole #3 by sidewalk / sand trap area would improve play. Duffy will probably not be replaced until Irrigation Project complete. Marvin and Sam now in charge and will report to Shane.

New Business:

1. Member/Member Handicap Discrepancy

Handicap Chair Diane Coole responded to questions arising from the handicap spread between partners in the Member/Member Tournament. A 22 stroke spread existed within 3 groups of golfing partners in the 2026 winners' group. Diane stated that while not mandatory under current USA guidelines, a limit on the handicap spread between partners is recommended because high handicap individuals have a better chance of golfing below their handicap. She further commented that there is also a discrepancy between the scoring approach used on the two days. Discussion: MM Tournament began as a fun tournament for CRWGA members. It was intended as a special tournament and its purpose was to make members feel more welcome to join in competition play. Partnerships are chosen randomly. Some existing partnership span over many years. Many new friendships have been established. CRMGA does not have any stipulations. Handicaps are intended to level the playing field. All other tournaments are flighted. There's always a possibility of a member having a 'best game' and participants shouldn't feel guilty for playing well. Many high handicappers do not hit a long ball and require extra strokes just to reach the green. Feelings can be hurt and everyone deserves understanding and respect. The intent is for all members to have a fun day. Golf is a game built on 'honour and integrity' and the 'spirit of the game' depends on honesty, kindness and respect for one another.

Nancy took a straw poll to see if members wanted the tournament to remain the same. It was determined that everyone wanted the tournament to remain as is. Nancy will take this recommendation to the next Executive Board Meeting for a vote.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 It was seconded and approved.

Recorded by Lynda Longpre
CRWGA Secretary.