

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BANFF SPRINGS
GOLF CLUB HELD ON APRIL 16 2008, 7:00PM AT THE FAIRMONT BANFF
SPRINGS HOTEL, ALHAMBRA ROOM:**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President P Eshenko called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. **MOTION BY RICK ERICKSON TO ACCEPT, SECONDED BY LON DOTY. CARRIED**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 2007 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** The minutes were distributed at the beginning of the meeting. **MOTION BY PIERRE OUELLET TO ADOPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED, SECONDED BY ERIC PELHAM. CARRIED.**
 - a. Business arising from the minutes: None
3. **PRESIDENT ESHENKO:**
 1. Presents the 2007 Year End Statements for approval. A deficit of \$2,425 was predicted but the year resulted in a surplus of \$8,018. **MOTION BY LON DOTY TO ACCEPT, SECONDED BY RICHARD MONETTE CARRIED**
 2. Thanks outgoing Past President Mary Bryson for all her contributions to the club. Also thanks Secretary Treasurer, Ken Riordon, for all his efforts on the clubs behalf.
 3. Announces Bernie Gould as an Honourary Member; lists Mr Gould's contributions and achievements and that the position of Honourary Membership has changed from a lifetime position to a three year term. Mr Gould's term as Honourary Member will be for 2008, 2009 & 2010. David Roberts presents a letter from the Club & Hotel to B Gould granting the position. B Gould thanks D Roberts, P Eshenko, K Riordon, the Hotel and Membership for the honour.
4. **REPORTS:**
 - a) Hotel: General Manager David Roberts thanks Peter Eshenko for meeting with him to discuss the future of the club. Group bookings at the hotel have changed over the years and today's emphasis is on booking groups aimed at golfers which makes tee times more important. Block booking of Wednesday nights may be in jeopardy due to bringing groups in. The golf course is viewed as a driver in bringing in revenues. Future increases will represent the marketplace. The hotel recognizes the club's commitment to the community. The Intermediate Program for juniors who go on to post secondary education is recognized. A course maintenance schedule has been produced which should have no impact on Men's Night. The Water Permit with Parks runs from May 15 to October 15, dependant on water levels. Porta-Potties will be in place until the regular washrooms are operational. \$300,000 has been spent on upgrading the Tunnel nine bunkers and they are re-sodding the greens that were bug infested. Wants to create a great club feeling with the clubhouse opening on Wednesday nights provided numbers can be guaranteed. Thanks the golf club and Peter Eshenko who has represented the club well.
Director of Golf Steve Young conducts a draw for golf in Jasper – Thelma Nesbitt wins draw. Introduces the golf course staff, Greg Sutherland, Dave Rickards, Pierre Ouellet, Scotty Holland. Announces Bob Burrows as the new Course Superintendent. The Tunnel & Sulphur nines will open May 9 and all 27 holes will be open by May 15, weather permitting. They will run the Ambassador Program once again this year and a meeting to discuss the program will be held on April 22 at 5:00pm. Thanks given to the Board for all their help and is looking forward to a great season.

- b) President – P Eshenko is pleased with his term and thanks David Roberts for his help in making it a success; announces a new Intermediate Membership Program for members that have gone through our junior program, are 19 to 26 years of age, have reached Level 4 Junior Status and provide proof of attending a post secondary educational institution. A new 2 year contract has been agreed upon between the Hotel and Club that will see green fee increases held to 5% per year. Feels that communication between the Hotel and Club has improved and that the Ambassador Program has been a great success. Thanks the Board for their help in achieving the goals he set out for the year and Ken Riordon for all his work in keeping the club running smoothly.
- c) Captain, Ladies: Sharon Phillips looking forward to a great season; introduces 2 new members, Mona Seguin & Monique Rosteius. Check website for more information and updates.
- d) Captain, Men's: Rich Mottram welcomes new male members to the club & will be having a men's meeting at the Legion Wednesday April 23 at 8pm.
- e) Captain, Juniors: Ian Higginbottom thanks his dad for his involvement when he was a junior and is looking to offer the same commitment. He's looking forward to helping juniors and would like all of them to contact him. May 10th will be a parent/junior orientation day and is looking for parent volunteers.

4. PRESIDENT PETER ESHENKO:

- 1. Introduces 2008 President Ian MacDonald
- 2. Presents the 2008 Budget with K Riordon, a deficit of \$8,222. **MOTION BY TONY ORRU TO ACCEPT, SECONDED BY TORU MIYAZOE CARRIED**
- 3. Presents the Board's Equity Fund Report; \$20,000 created for junior scholarships; \$5,000 for Hole-in-One plaques; \$1,000 for trophies, \$1,000 donation to Whyte Museum for archiving the club's history and documents.
- 4. Congratulates Peter Eshenko for the great job he's done as President. The club has gone through the entire waitlists of both the adult & junior divisions and comments that worldwide, waitlists for golf clubs have dropped in numbers.
- 5. Announces Jay Simpson acclaimed as the new Vice President.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Discussion on whether the club should purchase Hole-in-One insurance and/or insurance for a member's golf ball hitting a vehicle or person.
- b) New members introduced by K Riordon: Juniors: Robert Chisholm, Ryan Chung, Tyler James Correll, Lucas Fabbri, Scott Locke, Max Lozeman, Tia Patychuk, Wesley Patterson, Tommy Soukas Jr, Mitchell Wainman, Andrew Wakabayashi, Aliza Wedin, Nigel Wedin, Desmond Young, Saxby Young; Adults: Selina McClelland, Monique Rosteius, Mona Seguin, Adrian Bell, Mark Bouchard, Justin Butler, Grant Canning, Jarett Flemming, Ed Garland, Andrew Hill, Bonar Hunter, Eric Huston, Jeff Kohn, Paul Langlois, Bobby Larkin, Daniel McLellan, James Morand, Mike Schultz, Kevin Sharp, Cameron Sinclair.
- c) Draw for 2008 Green Fees + GST done by Bob Burrows – Rick Velux is the winner.
- d) Year-end Banquet date set for Oct 3, 08.

- 8. INTRODUCTION OF THE 2007 EXECUTIVE:** Ian MacDonald - President; Peter Eshenko - Past President; Rich Mottram - Men's Captain; Sharon Phillips - Ladies Captain, Ian Higginbottom - Junior Captain; Jay Simpson - Vice-President; Steve Young - Director of Golf; Greg Sutherland – Professional; Ken Riordon, Secretary Treasurer.

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MacDonald thanks Fairmont for hosting the bar following the meeting and also thanks Steve Young for donating the meetings' Jasper Draw prize.

- 9. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Stu Fernie, Seconded by Tony Orru at 8:45pm to adjourn the meeting. CARRIED**

A cocktail party hosted by the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel followed the meeting. One hundred twenty nine members attended the meeting.