



SaddleBrooke
Men's Golf Association
SMGA Board Meeting Agenda
April 7, 2026

Attendees: Forrest Urban, John Morales, Mike Anthony, John Eakin, Randy Williams, Larry Tollman, Steve Kartsonis
Absent: Terry Edwards, John Alton contributed via email.

President – Forrest Urban: Call to Order at 7:30am.
Guest(s): Merritt Harrington, Greg Diment via email

Old Business:

- Approval of the BOD minutes for March 3, 2026.
 - Motioned by Kartsonis, and 2nd by multiple and verbal approval was unanimous for March 3, 2026, minutes.
- CSM Trio band:
 - Eakin / (See contract from Desert View) It appears if we are going to sponsor an event at the Desert View facility to raise money, we need to have a Tax ID. To do that one of us needs to provide a SS number and I, for one, am not willing to do that. We need to discuss this at our upcoming meeting and whether we are willing to go forward on this fundraiser.
- After discussion it was determined we would not move forward with this event.
- Website Overview / Merritt &/or Terry
 - Update on draft of Player Posting Exceptions form using JotForm is being worked on. JotForm is limited to 100 free usages per month. Merritt to investigate Google Forms. Discussion around using both book and form via SMGA website for a couple months to transition. Goal would be for this form to email Alton directly.
 - This was not discussed
 - Website sponsor survey to be tallied and sent to BOD needs to be sent out (is this still an action item?) It was not discussed in March.
 - After discussion the BOD determined this will not be shared out.
 - Website survey update.
 - The survey is completed and will be sent out in the April minutes email as an attachment.
 - Update to approximately 15 documents being reviewed. It was not discussed in March.
 - Decision to follow up in the May BOD meeting (Morales/Edwards).
 - Merritt to post about email hacking scams and remind members the SMGA will not ask members for \$\$\$.
 - Merritt will follow up on this and post a note on the website.
- Golf Genius to replace Chelsea for event sign up / Tollman
 - What are next steps if there are any? Women and Niners have transitioned. Concern some members won't use or will resist. Concern this creates an added step for Pro-Shop to put in Chelsea from GG. Could Diment teach this at the April Dinner (Anthony to follow up with Diment)? Forrest to investigate next steps and update us in April. Discussion phasing this in throughout 2026.
 - Dimont to present at the April 15th luncheon.
 - Greg's questions via email (answers below were sent in an email to Dimont):
 - Which rounds will use Golf Genius for signups? Put another way, what's the first round that you'd like to start using Golf Genius for signups (even partially)
 - We would like to start using Golf Genius in the first event in May. The current SMGA calendar shows that as May 6th.
 - For such rounds, what's the date to open registrations? (Niners open all rounds for registration at the start of the season, and that works well. But you may decide to only open rounds X weeks in advance, etc.)
 - We would like to have the entire 2026 event calendar loaded so members can sign up any event that they choose.
 - For such rounds, what's the date to close registrations? (I *think* you close Chelsea a week in advance now? If so, we can match that. Or any other related date/time, e.g. Sunday at 6 pm before Wednesday round, Wednesday at noon the week before a round, etc. etc.)
 - We propose to close the sign up one week in advance at midnight.
 - Are you thinking of making a clean break from using Chelsea to using Golf Genius? Or will there be a "phase in" period where signups can occur in either place? Put another way, will you have a

“test” group to try using Golf Genius while most still use Chelsea, and then eventually move increasingly over to GG? Or will you set a date and have everyone move at the same time?

- We propose using both systems for the rest of calendar year 2026. This will allow the members that are here year around to engage in GG. Then when the snowbirds return in the Fall we can get them up to speed. Proposed hard cut-off would be 12/31/26.

- **Round Table:**

- **Vice President** – John Morales / Sponsors update

- New sponsor banners, signs, and BOD pictures (website has been updated) status. Merritt mentioned he might not have all the current logos (Pride), please send any updates to him. It was recommended our current sponsors be sent an email with photos of their signage.
 - With additions and deletions of sponsors we had to replace several signs and banners. Total cost is approximately \$800.
 - Roadrunner banner is a new logo and does not have sponsors listed so it can be used for more than one year. The sponsors will be on a separate attachable banner. All the signs and pictures were reviewed and anything out of date was discarded.
 - Signs and photos in the lobby near the pro shop are being reviewed and updated.
 - Discussion around using the TV outside the pro-shop for our sponsors and possibly eliminating the signs on the driving range.

- **Secretary** – Mike Anthony /

- Question on posting and emails sent to members that have posted. Processes might need tweaking based on the timing of postings versus the audit.
 - Alton is reviewing the timing of transfer of data, and this is considered closed.
- Alton (absent via email) All of the six new members of the committee have spent one tutorial session with one of the veterans. Each of us will spend another session with the same tutor and then be on our own. Each member has been assigned one week every ten weeks to audit the scores. We have been auditing scores since the week of March 2nd and will be doing so through the week of November 16th. Every week we have found an alarming number of players who have not posted scores. They receive three letters requesting that they DO take the time to post their unposted scores. So far, we have not needed to penalize anyone. Although Terry McCollom did have a nasty communication with an unhappy member. Under separate cover I will forward the sequence to you.
 - Forrest will follow up and have a discussion with the disgruntled ex-member.
 - Merritt removed the member from the SMGA Roster as the member resigned via email.

- **Treasurer** -John Eakin / Sponsors Financial Update & 2026 Budget update & Treasurers report

- Present the current sponsors financial update (see document).
 - Current P&L is stable, and sponsors are current in payment.
 - New sponsors are being targeted, which are replacing lost sponsors that have gone out of business.
- Discussion on Sponsors Golf Event on 9/12/26. We need an email to Golf Shop, budget for lunch including a contract with the restaurant estimating the number of attendees. We had 13 sponsors play in the event last year (was this done?).
 - This was not discussed.

- **Membership/Public Relations** – Randy Williams update on members

- 260 members and 34 associate members which is slightly down from prior year. Member participation in SMGA events is also slightly down.

- **Tournament Committee** - Larry Tollman /

- Discuss SMGA Events email from Len Alcantara around competitive versus fun events.
 - This was discussed and there was alignment that the Pro-Shop events are geared towards fun events, and the SMGA events were more geared towards competition.
- SaddleBrooke Cup update and discussion.
 - Wednesday 4/8/26 is the last event to earn points to the cup event which is planned for 4/15/26. The top 32 points earners qualify and will be awarded prize money whether they play or not.
 - Discussion around the merit of the cup was held. The goal of the cup was to increase participation in SMGA events, and this has not happened. It is also a large administrative task to maintain the points list each week. The volunteer members do not wish to do this work in 2026/27. A motion was made by Tollman and seconded by Morales, and by unanimous vote it was decided to not continue this program after this season.
 - Discussion around having a dinner for past presidents. This will be added to the May agenda for further discussion.

- **Asst. Tournament/Rules Committee** – Terry Edwards /

- **Handicap Committee** – John Alton /

- The team will consist of 10 members currently being trained by veteran members (how is that going?).

- This is going well and the process/timing is being reviewed.
- **Special Events** - Steve Kartsonis / Roadrunner Member / Guest update.
 - 60 teams are signed up (full field is 60). The cancellation date is passed and if a team cancels now, it will not get a refund. The Wednesday practice round will have a new nine-hole Par 3 Challenge included in the event. There will not be a charge for this new event.
 - Hole in One Plaque discussion / or \$100 prize?
 - In the last 12 months there were 6 hole in ones in SMGA Events.
 - A plaque holding a golf ball carved in wood was shown with the hole, yardage, and club hit costing approximately \$85. The BOD verbally aligned to potentially award both the \$100 and the plaque in the coming season. Steve to follow up on finalizing the cost of the wood plaque. This will be followed up in the May BOD meeting.
- **President** – Forrest Urban /
 - Peter L. could be a fundraiser/donation for the clock on the putting green. Forrest is following up.

Meeting adjourned by Forrest Urban at 9:10AM. Next meeting 5/5/26 at 7:30am.

SMGA Secretary, Mike Anthony