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MEMORANDUM FOR President, Golf Advisory Council, The Links at Redstone, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama 35898

SUBJECT: The Links at Redstone Golf Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – 3 August 2023

- 1. The enclosed subject minutes are approved/disapproved.
- 2. My point of contact is Mr. Ed Nunn, Chief, Business Operations Division, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, 256-842-0876 or eddie.w.nunn.naf@army.mil.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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MARTIN J. TRAYLOR

Deputy to the Garrison Commander



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MEMORANDUM THRU Director, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, (AMIM-REWIMr. Derrick Gould), 4488 Martin Road, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898

FOR Deputy to the Garrison Commander, (Mr. Martin Traylor/AMIM-REG-ZB), 4488 Martin Road, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898

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- 1. The Golf Advisory Council held its meeting, 3 August 2023, The Links at Redstone.
- 2. The agenda for the meeting is enclosed.
- 3. The following members/representatives were present:

Mr. Tom Small - President

Ms. Kathleen Stirling - Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association (RSALGA)

Mr. Tim Starostanko – Member at Large

Mr. Gary Haught – Golf Manager, The Links at Redstone

4. The following members were not present:

Ms. Ellen Neffgen – Secretary/Member at Large

Ms. Dee Thonus – Member at Large

- 5. Opening Remarks: Mr. Small opened the meeting at 1208.
- 6. Golf operations: Mr. Haught provided a report on golf operations.
- a. Mr. Haught stated the Garrison Scramble will be held 5 August and is currently full with 28 teams signed up. He also stated this is the third tournament of this nature where all teams were full.
- b. The Warrior greens are being aerified this week, 31 July 4 August, and the Patriot greens will be aerified next week, 7 11 August.

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- c. The Club Championship will be held 16-17 September. The format will remain the same as last year and will be open to annual pass members only.
 - d. The Senior Club Championship will be held 14 15 October.
- e. Mr. Haught stated he is combining the Chili Cookoff and the Superintendents Revenge tournaments into one. This will be held 28 October and should be a fun event.
- f. Mr. Haught mentioned they are having a good number of outings (tournaments sponsored by others) in the coming months.
- g. Membership at the end of April stood at 139. Membership at the end of July was 128.
- h. Mr. Haught mentioned that he is aware that the restrooms on the course need to be updated and is working on a solution.
- i. Mr. Haught provided some clarification on Cart Path Only restrictions. He said there are many factors that go into that restriction and that he is aware of the inconvenience it causes patrons. Some of the factors include the course being too wet, the course being wet enough to cause severe compaction to the soil, safety issues such as carts slipping, and braking issues and how the patrons should treat the course under those conditions. He stated that he believes they are pretty judicious in imposing Cart Path Only restrictions.
 - j. Mr. Haught stated they have received 25 new carts.
- k. Mr. Haught stated they are going to be holding a silent auction, 16 August, with 20 items, such as gas golf carts and maintenance equipment. A mass email went out to the Redstone Arsenal community and information can also be found on the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (FMWR) Facebook page.
- I. Mr. Small asked whether the changes to the fairway widths and rough height would cause the course rating to change. Mr. Haught responded the change to the fairway widths are minimal and the rough height is temporary due to the amount of rain received and their growth. Mr. Haught asked whether there are areas that need to be looked at or adjusted. Mr. Small responded that Patriot 11 and Patriot 14 fairways seem to begin too far away from the blue tees. Mr. Haught stated that he will look at those locations and adjust accordingly. He also stated that Patriot 14 fairway goes up the hill and it is difficult for grass to grow.

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- 7. Volunteer Committee Report: Ms. Stirling had nothing to report as it has been difficult to find volunteers.
- 8. Ladies League Golf Report:
 - a. Ms. Stirling reported that the Ladies Golf League is doing well.
- b. Ms. Stirling reported that Ms. Fran Sullivan passed away 31 July. Ms. Sullivan was a long time member of both the Ladies Golf League and the Golf Advisory Council.
- 9. Representatives Individual Reports:
- a. Mr. Starastanko stated that patrons need to do better at following the rules of cart usage (both push and powered). He provided an example of a patron driving their cart between the sand trap and the green on Patriot 15.
- b. Mr. Starastanko mentioned that The Links at Redstone hosted the American Junior Golf Association (AJGA) and could have used more volunteers.
- 10. Mr. Small adjourned the meeting at 1316.
- 11. The next Golf Advisory Council Meeting will take place Thursday, 7 September, 1200, The Links at Redstone.

Encl

THOMAS SMALL
Golf Council President

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The Links at Redstone Golf Advisory Council Meeting 3 August 2023

1200 – 1205	Opening Remarks	Tom Small
1205 – 1225	Golf Course Report	Gary Haught
1225 – 1240	Volunteer Committee Report	Kathleen Stirling
1240 – 1245	Ladies Golf Report	Kathleen Stirling
1245 – 1300 Representatives Individual Reports		
1300	Closure and Adjourn	

Next Golf Advisory Council Meeting will be 7 September 2023