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US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON, REDSTONE 4488 MARTIN ROAD REDSTONE ARSENAL, ALABAMA 35898-5000

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

AMIM-REW-BOG (215-1f)

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

SUBJECT: The Links at Redstone Golf Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – 5 August 2021

- 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@mail.mil.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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

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

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- 1. The Golf Advisory Council held its meeting, 5 August 2021, The Links at Redstone.
- 2. The agenda for the meeting is enclosed.
- 3. The following members/representatives were present:
 - Mr. Tom Small President / Handicap Committee Chair
 - Ms. Kay Theodoss Secretary / Member at Large
 - Ms. Kathleen Stirling Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association (RSALGA)
 - Mr. Tim Starostanko Member at Large
 - Ms. Frances Sullivan Member at Large
 - Ms. Dee Thonus Member at Large
 - Mr. Gary Haught Golf Manager, The Links at Redstone
- 4. The following member/representative was absent:
 - Ms. Jan Berry Member at Large
- 5. Opening Remarks: Mr. Small opened the meeting at 12:08 and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He noted that the meeting in June lacked the minimum members required for an official meeting so there were no minutes distributed.
- 6. Golf Operations: Mr. Haught provided a report on golf operations.
- a. Membership. Mr. Haught reported that The Links at Redstone membership is currently 170 members.

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b. Course Maintenance.

- (1) Greens. Aeration was completed on the Warrior Greens 4 August and the staff also spread 50 tons of sand. The aeration on Patriot will begin Monday, 9 August. Mr. Haught was asked why the greens are being aerated so often. Mr. Haught stated that the greens should be aerated yearly, but they have to aggressively schedule aeration to improve the condition of the grass and soil.
- (2) Winter Greens. Mr. Haught informed the council that the Superintendent will assess whether the maintenance team will over seed or paint the Patriot Greens this coming winter.
- (3) Fairways. Mr. Haught will be working on aerating the fairways next year. The current machinery is no longer effective and will need to be replaced to properly aerate the fairways.
 - (4) Tee Boxes.
- (a) Green Tees. Mr. Haught has replaced the missing green tee markers. He mentioned that patrons should inform the clubhouse if there is a green tee box that is missing a marker so a new one can be installed. These markers are designed to withstand the fairway mowers; however, they seem to be breaking more often than expected. Mr. Haught is working on finding suitable solutions, including markers that are flat.
- (b) Red Tees. Mr. Haught will evaluate the course distance for the red tees. This will be a long-term assessment and project since some of the red tee distances are challenging either for reaching the fairway or hitting the green in regulation.
- (5) Water on Course. Water will be available on Patriot and Warrior at the turn. Patrons making the turn on Warrior can utilize the Weeden Mountain Grill for water and ice or the Pro Shop when the Weeden Mountain Grill is closed. Patrons making the turn on Patriot can utilize the Starter building where ice and water machines are available.
- (6) Portable Toilet. The portable toilet was removed from Warrior 6 when The Links was closed in 2020 for COVID-19. Mr. Haught will contact the vendor to have the portable toilet returned.

c. Tournament Schedule.

- (1) Garrison Scramble, 7 August
- (2) Club Handicap, 21-22 August (May be postponed, based on recovery of greens from aeration)
 - (3) Club Championship, 18-19 September

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- (4) Senior Club Championship, 2-3 October
- (5) Chili Cook-off, 16 October
- (6) Turkey Shoot, 20 November
- d. Staffing. The Links at Redstone still has vacancies posted for the following positions; Cashiers, Operations Assistant, Cart Barn, Starters, Rangers, Tractor Operators, Laborers, Mechanic, Cooks, and Food and Beverage Attendants.
- 7. Handicap Committee Report: Nothing to report.
- 8. Volunteer Committee Report: Ms. Stirling stated that the gardens continue to be maintained. Mr. Thonus is working on repairing benches.
- 9. Ladies Golf Report: Ms. Stirling noted that many factors including the heat, aging members, and the pandemic have affected the number of women playing on Wednesday mornings. The group has had up to two groups playing every week.
- 10. Representatives/Individual Report/Open Discussion: Overall assessment from various members is that the course is looking and playing well.
- 11. The next Golf Advisory Council Meeting will take place Thursday, 2 September 2021, 1200, The Links at Redstone.

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THOMAS SMALL
Golf Council President

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The Links at Redstone

Golf Advisory Council Meeting

5 August 2021

1200 – 1205 Opening Remarks	Tom Small
1205 – 1225 Golf Course Report	Gary Haught
1225 – 1230 Handicap Committee Report	Tom Small
1230 – 1240 Volunteer Committee Report	Kathleen Stirling
1240 – 1245 Ladies Golf Report	Kathleen Stirling
1245 – 1300 Representatives Individual Reports	

Next Golf Advisory Council Meeting is 2 September 2021.

Closure and Adjourn

1300