

MAPGA Tournament Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2018

Location: MAPGA Conference Call

Present via conference call – Joy Bonhurst, PGA; Sean English, PGA (Chair); Mark Evenson, PGA; Steve WenPetren, PGA; Kevin Haney, PGA; Dirk Schultz, PGA; Greg Scott, PGA

Absent: Mike Wood, PGA

MAPGA Staff at Section Office – Executive Director Jon Guhl; Assistant Executive Director Kurt Knapper; Tournament Director Bob Heintz; MAPGA Tournament Program Administrator Eric Southard

Chair English called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Recording 00:00:15

Kurt Knapper gave an update on sponsorship. Looking to secure sponsors for 2019.

Recording 00:01:41

Sean English brought up the topic of changing the Head Pro/Teaching Pro eligibility. After much discussion, it was determined that this event will be a stroke play event allowing all members and apprentices to play in. Since all members and apprentices are playing in the event, this will mean that this will be a POY event and we take away the points in the Assistants Championship. There will be a separate division for Head Pros so that event will still technically be continued. POY points will be awarded as one event and there will be two separate purses (main event and Head Pro event).

Recording 00:21:40

The next topic discussed was the format of the Pro Scratch as pace of play has been an issue for this event. The TC decided on making this event a Stableford event and score will be team aggregate. There will be POY points. There will be a Pro Purse, Amateur Purse, and Team Purse. The entry fee will now be \$300.

Recording 00:40:00

TC talked about POY in State Opens. Current POY takes the best result from either State Open result. For example, if someone finishes 2nd in the MD Open and 15th in VA Open, we take their points from the MD Open. 2nd place would receive 285.04 and 15th place in the VA would receive 104.08. This means that we would take the higher place and it they would receive 285.04. New Proposal: Players get points from both events, so that players would get 389.12. After a very close vote, the TC decided to keep things the same, players will receive points in only One of the State Opens.

Recording 00:51:05

Next, the TC discussed Player of the Year and Women's PGA Majors. KPMG Women's Championship will be added to the MAPGA Open POY and Women's POY. If a female makes the KPMG Women's Championship she will receive 100 points. US Senior Women's Open will be 150 if you qualify and an additional 100 if you make the cut and Senior LPGA Championship will be 100 for qualifying and additional 150 to make the cut. These points will be added to the MAPGA Senior POY but not Women's POY.

Recording 00:56:08

A few years ago the TC moved the percentage to 82% to increase participation and have seen a decrease in rounds for women. It was determined to try and keep the percentages between 80% and 84%

Recording 01:08:12

The final topic discussed was whether players should be allowed to walk during their rounds. The TC decided to keep everything the same. Players are encouraged to ride and the bags are supposed to stay on the cart.

Recording 01:20:00

The TC decided that the POY payouts at the end of the year will be Top 15, Top 7, Top 2.

The Next Tournament Committee Meeting will be determined later.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM