



CWGA BOARD MEETING

CCC Activity Center, Lewis Room

9:00 AM, Wednesday, September 2, 2026

Present: Deb Stirling, Sue Schneider, Marikate Book, Debbie Bray, Lynda Marshall, Rita Albrich, Lynne McMaster, Amy Day, Diane Meyers, Patti Book, Mary Jane Hunt, Karen Miller, Sue Oberg, Rose Mason, Chris Bosak, Joann Linville, Terry Borst, Cathi McLain, Alice Galloway, Linda Owen, Melva Wickerd, Pat Jacob, Susan Weakley, Peg Wells, Coleen Larson.

Deb Stirling called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Minutes: The August 5, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report – Debbie Bray

Checkbook balance is \$14,219.18. All CGC charges have been paid through August 31st. As of Aug. 31st, we have 151 members. The OGA fee for all 151 members has been paid. We are now paying OGA fees by direct withdrawals. The Merit Fund balance is \$3770.25. The Battle of the Sexes raised \$2695 and additional donations of \$60 were received after the event. CWGA expenses are running very close to budget, however, the income from members' dues is \$1452 higher than budgeted. As of this date, the estimated carryover will be around \$4441. That amount is \$1416 more than the ending balance that was projected on the approved budget for 2026.

7/24/2026	Cindy Okeefe refund		\$ 52.00	2755		\$ 15,467.65
8/1/2026	OGA-Okeefe-direct withdrawal		\$ 41.00			\$ 15,426.65
8/4/2026	Charbonneau Golf Club-July		\$ 1,339.49	2756		\$ 14,087.16
8/5/2026	Deposit- Battle of the Sexes	\$ 2,090.00				\$ 16,177.16
8/6/2026	Deposit-Battle of the Sexes	\$ 605.00				\$ 16,782.16
8/13/2026	Deposit paypal-Devito	\$ 99.84				\$ 16,882.00
8/21/2026	Deposit donation Merit Fund	\$ 40.00				\$ 16,922.00
8/21/2026	Elizabeth Knudsen-trophy		\$ 37.00	2757		\$ 16,885.00
8/21/2026	Jan Watson - Sept scramble		\$ 114.32	2758		\$ 16,770.68
8/27/2026	Cathi McLain- brochures		\$ 33.50	2759		\$ 16,737.18
8/27/2026	Alice Galloway-notecard printing		\$ 200.00	2760		\$ 16,537.18
8/27/2026	Elizabeth Knudsen-trophy		\$ 9.50	2761		\$ 16,527.68
8/31/2026	Charbonneau Golf Club-August		\$ 2,319.00	2762		\$ 14,208.68
9/1/2026	Deposit donation Merit Fund	\$ 20.00				\$ 14,228.68
9/1/2026	Elizabeth Knudsen-trophy		\$ 9.50	2763		\$ 14,219.18

Joann Linville motioned that we give \$1,000 to Stagette to reduce members' cost. Amy Day gave a Second. After discussion, the motion passed. Linda Owen thanked the board for the additional funds on behalf of the Stagette Committee.

Past President Lynne McMaster thanked the board for a wonderful year.

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Committee Reports:

CWGA Director for CGC BOD – Karen Miller

Karen has discussed with the CGC Board:

- Green 3: To remove the red wood barriers at end of path.
- Green 7: To trim trees on right side of path.
- Red 5: to mow the forward Tee on the left side more frequently.
- To not place the yellow cart signs directly in front of the greens, but move them to the side.

Membership – Mary Jane Hunt

- The membership application is in limbo until the new OGA system is in place. This will be discussed further at the meeting this morning at 10:15 AM with OGA.

Handicap/Tournament –Diane Meyers

Diane proposed that the Tournament Committee be made up of 1 person from each of these committees: Scoring, Handicap, Rules and Communications

1. Scoring Committee: Creates the tournament setup, scores the event, and ensures accurate results.
2. Handicap Committee: Verifies that all players meet eligibility requirements.
3. Rules Committee: Oversees on-course rules.
4. Communications Committee: Handles all publicity and outreach.

Why structuring the Tournament Committee this way makes operational sense:

- It helps with communication: streamlines the workflow, clarifies accountability, unifies the expertise.
- To make this structure work smoothly, the group would establish a clear chairperson—perhaps rotating annually the chairperson.

The Partner's Tournament was well attended this year as always. The Game 666 was well received by the players. There were 68 players making 34 two-person teams with 17 tee times. There were Overall Net and Gross winners with additional payouts for 3 flights paying 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in each flight. The total payout was \$1,040.00

Handicap Tournament had 60 players; this was a record number of players for the Handicap Tournament. There was an overall Low Net winner and payouts in 4 flights paying 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place in each flight. This was a record payout for our Handicap Tournament and a first time paying four flights in a competition. The total Net Payout was \$975.00

The Championship Tournament had 39 players. This was a disappointing number of players since our Partners and Handicap Tournaments were both in the 60's for player participation. There were 80 members who qualified for the tournament. There was an overall Low Gross winner and payouts in Gross & Net for 3 flight paying 1st,



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2nd & 3rd place in each flight. Total gross payout was \$695.00 and total net payout was \$495.00 making it a total of \$1,190.00

Due to the lack of participation in the Championship Tournament this year and in years past, CWGA should consider a new format for the competition. Combining the Handicap and Championship into one tournament may be an option. The Handicap Tournament is well attended. The same rules apply to both tournaments. The only difference is the phrase "you have to qualify" for the Championship Tournament. We had 80 players qualify. Qualifying for the tournament is not a problem. It seems many players are traveling, have family obligations/vacation or maybe they are just wanting to take a break in August.

Diane Meyers suggested 2 options:

Have the combined tournament on July 27 and 29 or move the Handicap Tournament to July 13 & 15 and Championship Tournament to August 10 & 12.

It was suggested that the Partners' Tournament should be counted for points towards the Championship Tournament even if the Partners' Tournament is not posted.

It was suggested that maybe sponsorship should be considered to increase the payouts or special bonus such as: closest to the pin, birdies etc, to increase the number of flight winners or to pay 50% of the field.

A discussion followed including the fact that it is extremely common that clubs have problems getting more members to play in a Championship Tournament. Our club has a large number of 9-hole only players who would not play 18-holes. Some question, if our members really understand how flights work. It was also noted that we may need to think about how we celebrate the winners. Waiting until our Stagette is anti-climactic, we should watch the reader board and celebrate at the end of tournament.

Proposal was tabled.

Days Play/Scoring – Patti Book

Two hundred ninety-eight (298) members played golf on Tuesday and Thursday. This number does not include the Battle of the Sexes Scramble and the Club Championship Tournament.

- There were only 5 regular play days in August which accounts for the lower numbers.
- Tuesday, September 15 play day, has been cancelled. This is the day that the course will be aerated. Patti will notify all members this week and eliminate that round in Golf Genius so that no invitation will be sent.
- We have had a few issues with a round invitation going out from the wrong manager. We have resolved the problem.

Pairings are not out for tomorrow due to weather. The scramble will not be cancelled unless the course is closed.

Rules- Joann Linville - No Report

OGA – Sue Oberg

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- Columbia Sports discount at the Columbia Employee Store with exclusive employee pricing from September 4th - 27th.
- The 2027 OGA fee has not been determined.

Communications – Cathi McLain - No Report

Publicity/Villager – Marikate Book

- Marikate is now working on the October Villager article. The article lists the Championship Competition winners. She will need photos from the September scramble. Joann asked that the slate of officers to be elected at our October General Meeting be included.

Old Business:

Amy Day and Lynne McMaster announced the candidates for the 2027 Election of Officers to be held at our General Meeting on October 1, 2026.

- Our current VP's will become Co-Presidents and Debbie Bray will continue as Treasurer.
- Co-Vice Presidents: Pat Jacob and Diana Barnard
- Secretary: Susan Weakley

Battle of the Sexes –Coleen Larson and Patti Book

- This year's event was a huge success.
- The Men's Club would like to host next year, but they do the Chili Feed. We would like to keep this as our event and hold it on our August Scramble Day. They recommend a committee be formed to plan next year's event with 2 members from CWGA and 2 members from the Men's Club. Both Coleen and Patti are willing to be our representatives.
- A discussion followed as we have in the past announced our candidates for the next year officers at the August General Meeting. It was determined that we should be able to do this via email.
- Joann noted that per the By-Laws Article VI section 1, three members at large are selected to be on the Nominating Committee at the July General Meeting.

New Business:

Stagette: Melva Wickerd

- Date: Thursday Oct 1, 2026. 8:15 am. Scramble shotgun at 9:00 am.
- A Homecoming PAR-TEE
- A putting contest, scramble, luncheon and Horserace are planned.
- Flyer and details available at the General Meeting tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.

The next CWGA Board Meeting will be at 9 AM on October 7, 2026.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Marshall, CWGA Secretary

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