



Treasure Coast Disc Golf Board Meeting – Minutes

Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.

Location: Hop Life Brewery, 679 NW Enterprise Drive, Suite 101, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

ROLL CALL

Present: President Milton O’Steen Jr.; Treasurer Brian LaPorte; Secretary Erick Gill; At-Large Members: Lance Chmura; Jeff Porreca and John Villoria.

Absent: Vice President Jeff Paino, Mario Jasmin and Mark Baldwin

Guests: Dan Habel

NEW BUSINESS

Recap/Placement of Memorial for Gary Hudson: The doubles event raised \$300 for Gary’s plaque. Milton has a photo provided by Deb, Gary’s wife, to use on one plaque that will be made to give to Deb and the family to keep. Another smaller plaque will be installed at the base of basket No. 2. Once that is in the ground – the Club will have a dedication and invite the family. Lance said there is roughly 30-50 or \$200 in discs that will be cleaned up and posted on the Treasure Coast Lost Disc/Sales Facebook page. The Club is selling them for \$5 each. There should also be enough funds to add a bench in memory of Gary behind No. 4 tee pads, so that it overlooks the lake.

Kraken Planning Update: Brian said things are coming along, trying to finalize the player packs. It was suggested that instead of players getting a stamped disc – they get a voucher from Sun King. That seemed to be preferred from the feedback at the Martin County Open. It was suggested that there still be some Kraken tournament stamped discs – in case people wanted to buy them or use their vouchers on that. There are no plans to play the back 9 this year. The baskets will change positions between days. The max will be 90 players. The dates are Nov. 5-6 with registration opening Oct. 3. We did move the date to accommodate the Cocoa Open. Brian said if we want to have sponsors on the t-shirts – we need the names before Oct. 10. Erick will contact ERD to ask for a rough cut sometime in October.

Torpey Redesign: Dan attended the meeting to let the Board know he would like to take the lead on redesigning Torpey back to the original layout. He will reach out to members to get a workday scheduled soon.

Alternative Pins for Halpatiokee: John said he will reach out to Martin County Parks about allowing us to install alt. pins. And John will reach out to Mark Baldwin to see if he can help with the auto CAD map for the county. John also has wood for benches, but wants to wait for cooler weather to build them.

Update on Indian Hills: The City of Fort Pierce got an estimate for the pads at Indian Hills and it was above their threshold to sole source, so they have to go out to bid. They are budgeting for two pads for each basket. It is moving forward, but it will be later than anticipated because there is also a concrete shortage. There was discussion about putting flat concrete markers at Indian Hills to mark the tees temporarily. The group felt it wasn't worth the costs for a few months to put them down. Plus, we like the idea of people looking at different tee pad placement before we have to finalize the pads.

TCDG Fundraiser Tourney Proposed by David Keith at Indian Hills: Milton said David Keith reached out asking to host this event to raise money for the War Team to travel. Milton gave the OK. Erick just asked that we make sure we get it approved with the city first. We don't want to upset them before we get the course finalized. Erick will work on providing the insurance and securing the special event form. The city didn't charge us for the last doubles event we had there, so hopefully that is the case this time around.

Disc Drop Box: The disc drop boxes are working – maybe not 100 percent, but people are using them. Some are getting broken into it (Lakewood Park seems to be the worst). Some people have shared the codes at the some of the courses. Erick reset the one at Gordy because someone told him they knew what the code was and while they were a member – they were not a TD or Board member. We have two boxes left (they just need locks). John V. asked if we could offer them up to another club. Overall the group agreed to offer them to either Discaliber or Palm Beach. It was suggested we might want to keep one as a replacement or for the future course at Tradition. Erick said he believes we can get more boxes from the newspaper if we need them. John will reach out to see if the other clubs want them.

Veterans Disc Golf League: John said there is a guy that has started a veteran's disc golf league down in Palm Beach and he'd like to reach out to see if we can get that instituted up on the Treasure Coast. The board had questions such as: It is a travelling league or is a league set up here? Is it open to non-veterans (John believes so). The guy who runs it has some connection with MVP and the proceeds goes to help veterans. John will track down all the details and bring it back for a board vote. Erick also suggested we maybe try to reach out to local veterans' groups to see if we can get new players interested in the sport. Maybe have a doubles events, where we match club members with a veteran.

OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS

Course Updates

- **Gordy Road:** Dan suggested that there be a clearly marked area for the storage of vegetation that volunteers cut down. He said people who trim should not leave piles around the course. He said he will set up a vegetative debris storage area near the shed on No. 15, so that it wasn't in the way, but could be easily accessed by the canal road.

- **Rotary**

- **Lakewood Park**

- Hobart
- Hapatiokee
- McCarty Ranch
- Torpey

Revisions to By-Laws (on going)

TREASURE/FINANCE REPORT: We currently have \$4,223.55 in the checking account.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT/UPDATES: We have 122 members. Erick asked that we remind TDs to make sure if they take membership money – that they need to have that new member fill out the online form. We also need to make sure before a full ace payout that the person is a paid member.

PUBLIC COMMENT / OPEN DISCUSSION: Dan suggested that the Club invest some funds into buying things that TDs/players need such as score cards, flags, lights, etc. Several of the board members/TDs said that each TD is responsible for taking care of those items themselves.