

in the Times Record three times, 50+ of the coupons for 20% off green fee have been redeemed.

- The nationwide tour qualifier April 30 went well. Two people shot course records that day, 64 on Magnolia and Willow. The official score cards will be framed and hung in the pro shop. We had 97 qualifiers and Eagle Crest had 97. The Times Record did a nice article in the program for the nationwide qualifying tournament, "Ben Geren Shaping Up for Qualifiers."
- Special thanks to park board members who came out and participated on Media Day. Grant Tolley did an article, "Ben Geren Makes Small Rate Increase for 2007." We appreciate the positive press.
- A sign-up sheet for our first Tuesday two-man scramble scheduled for May 15 has been on the counter in the pro shop.
- Leagues are ongoing every night except Friday.
- Steve did an introduction to golf for six boys from the Northwest Arkansas Juvenile Center in Mansfield.
- A survey of annual ticket sales reveals that very few golfers are mad at us. There are almost as many reasons for not purchasing this year as there are golfers.
- There will be a vacancy in the pro shop as of May 19. James Lemley is taking a job with Fastenal Company in Russellville.

Mr. Richard Stark will be stepping down as President of the soccer association later this month with the election of a new board. An end of season recreation tournament is scheduled for fall. There are approximately 600 participants in the 4-16 year-old recreation program and 200 participants in the 11-17/18 year-old classic traveling program. With the growth of the soccer program, additional restroom facilities would be beneficial. Signage and/or speed bumps might help to control speeding on Soccer Loop.

It was reported that the mountain bike race of April 15 was canceled due to weather and has been rescheduled for Sunday, November 11, 2007. No action by the board is necessary.

There was no new business to come before the board.

In other business, digital pictures of the East Sebastian County Park construction progress will soon be available for the board.

The last item on the agenda is park revenue reports which are included in the packet.

The next park board meeting will be held on Monday, June 10, 2007, at 12:00 noon. It was moved by Mr. Wayne Hancock and seconded by Mr. Frank Glidewell that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Vincent, Administrative Secretary

MINUTES
BEN GEREN PARK BOARD MEETING
May 14, 2007
12:00 Noon

The regular meeting of the Ben Geren Park Board was held at 12:00 Noon, May 14, 2007, at the Ben Geren Park Community Building, 7200 Zero, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Present were:

Mr. Eddy Beshears
Mr. Jerry Neel
Mr. Wayne Hancock
Mr. Frank Glidewell
Mr. Bud Harper

Others present were:

Hon. David Hudson, Sebastian County Judge
Mr. Tom Minton, Assistant County Administrator
Mrs. Sue Reed, Sebastian County Comptroller
Mr. Steve Nicholls, P.G.A. Golf Professional
Mr. Bobby Faulkner, Park Supervisor
Mrs. Paula Vincent, Administrative Secretary
Mr. Richard Stark, President, Soccer Association
Ms. Mary Crider, Times Record

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Mr. Eddy Beshears, Chairman.

There being no corrections or additions to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 9, 2007, it was moved by Mr. Wayne Hancock and seconded by Mr. Jerry Neel that they be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

The first item on the agenda was the Monthly Financial Reports. A total of \$162,975.30 for the Golf Course and \$3,092.54 for the Front Side was transferred to County Treasurer for April 2007. The increase in year-to-date expenses is due to chemicals that were bid, purchased, and paid for in March this year.

It was moved by Mr. Frank Glidewell and seconded by Mr. Bud Harper that the financial reports be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was briefing on Golf Course marketing activities by Mr. Steve Nicholls.

- April's weather was not very kind with record low temperatures and wind. On good days, we were busy. Two events that helped us out were USA Truck and IC Men's Club. A letter went out around the 14th, with about 40 of those being redeemed. From our informational ad that ran