

By the time that you read this a decision will have been reached by the directors of the Rossland-Trail Country Club on the fee structure for the coming season. On Sunday the Union Hotel meeting room was filled to capacity by retirees and in some cases, their wives, who had come to take part in the discussion. Most felt the new fees are unjust!

The fee proposals were all spelled out to the club directors, Jack Buchanan and Zeke Clements. The one section that bothered us the most was raising the retiree couple rate by \$114 to \$544 or 26.5 per cent. The retiree single was raised 11.7 per cent from \$290 to \$324. In the five years since 1981 dues for these two classes have been raised 75.9 per cent and 50 per cent respectively.

We were told the club's directors are worried about the fact quite a number of retiree couples use the course on Saturday and Sunday mornings when the regular golders like to get out there on their time off from work.

Figures on membership were posted on the board showing 197 regular singles, 70 regular couples, 25 family memberships, 137 retiree singles, 75 retiree couples, 20 restricted singles and one restricted couple for a total carded membership of 525. Add to these 146 for the second member in the couples and a possible 100 more for the family tickets and you come up with about 800 playing members.

Now to another subject, the B.C. Heart Fund. Dorothy Gyte, chairperson of the Rossland chapter wished me to pass along the following. Fund officials have designated this Sunday for bingo at the Legion in Rossland to boost a canvass that will start Feb. 14 and continue until Feb. 28. Dorothy asked that during this period people leave their porch lights on to assist the canvassers in finding the way to your door and she says a heartfelt thank you for this little favor.

Now, to the Warriors for a moment. The team can help themselves this weekend and should hope for a help from the Rebels who play their final game against the Flames in Spokane. But the Warriors have two toughies at home against Nelson on Friday and Trail on Saturday. It's not an impossible task but it will take all the concentration they can muster. One other thing to consider, Spokane's other game is against the Border Bruins who won one of their few victories this season at the Flames' expense.

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Our retiree curlers had a good time in Nelson on last week's visitation but only chalked up one winning effort. It went to Angus Popplewell's rink. Our next visitation comes at Grand Forks later in the waning season.

And with that I'll say, Till next time!