

MINTHIS GOLF CLUB
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD ON 7th DECEMBER 2020

Present:	Colin du Cann-Crowther (CduCC)	Captain
	Graeme Nichol (GN)	Vice Captain/Comp Secretary
	Carol Powell (CP)	Secretary
	Bev Mitchell (BM)	Treasurer
	Roy Peach (RP)	Greens
	Sandra Pope (SP)	Charity Secretary
	David McKibben (DM)	Professional
	Chris Furneaux (CF)	Head Greenskeeper
	Mariya Kolera (MK)	On behalf of Management

1 Apologies:

All were present

2 Previous Minutes:

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd November 2020 were read and approved.

3 Matters Arising:

- (GN) confirmed that all nearest the pin sponsors for 2021 have now been filled.
- (CduCC) advised that he could confirm, any amount left (from €250 credit and €150 Covid credit) in members cards by 31/12/20, will be transferred to 2021 and be valid until 28/02/21. Any competition credit unused will carry over.
- (BM) asked again about the cost of members buggy seats, given that guests currently pay €10 per seat. (MK) to reconfirm with Mr Stelios whether members will be eligible for this price as well, regardless if they are in a buggy on their own.

4 Competitions:

- (GN) issued the Jan/Feb/Mar 2021 administration sheets which were approved and will be placed within the members folder shortly.
- Discussion took place regarding the Ongoing Competitions. For the Dave Armstrong Trophy, there is a two-way tie after playing six matches. As there is not a 7th score to consider, it was decided to look back at the last 3 score's and take the best total to identify the winner. With regards to the Mens Order of Merit Trophy, in the event the December medal does not go ahead, it was agreed to continue to use the existing 8 scores to identify a winner.
- (GN) advised that the Knock-out Competition entry sheets are now in the members folder, (GN) to issue a reminder email. It was decided to review the ladies entry numbers nearer, to consider whether these will go ahead.
- (GN) has now placed the Interclub sheet in the members folder and will issue email reminder.

5 Social

- Discussion took place regarding the 2021 social calendar. It was agreed to discuss nearer the time due to possible COVID restrictions.
- (CduCC) confirmed that the Xmas Lunch is going ahead. There will be a presentation and raffle prior to lunch.

6 Golf Course Matters:

- (CduCC) advised that he has received an email of concern over the recent "rota" document that has been issued to members regarding the repairing of divots etc. Members are reminded that this is a "Voluntary" task for those who wish to carry this out, which has been put into place to try and help improve our playing conditions.
- (RP) asked (CF) if members had any input into the re-configuration of the golf course. (CF) confirmed that the course is configured according to the Architect's report following completion of all the recent work being carried out.
- (RP) questioned whether there was going to be a Halfway House on the course. (CF) confirmed that there would eventually be a portable Halfway House behind the existing 10th tee box, behind the new white tees. There is also a proposal for new toilets on the course.
- (SP) mentioned again about the weeds within the vine area in front of the tee box of the 6th (old 8th) hole. (CF) re-confirmed that the vines will be cultivated in January at which time the weeds will be cleared.
- Members are reminded that under no circumstances should you walk under the rope between the 2nd/5th (old 7th) holes to get to the 3rd (old 5th) tee box.
- (CduCC) asked how the new greens were looking, (CF) is very pleased with them.
- (CduCC) mentioned the sand level in the bunkers. (CF) advised that he is checking the bunkers on a monthly basis and topping them up when necessary.
- It was mentioned about the amount of small mounds of earth appearing on the fairways. (CF) advised that these are caused by the "Mole Cricket". (CF) is applying a granular insecticide to the tee boxes, which is helping and has included in his budget for a large quantity of the insecticide, which will enable him to treat the fairways on a regular basis.
- (GN) confirmed that preferred lies on short mown areas will remain in play until further notice.

7 Financial Matters:

- The Monthly Accounts were reviewed and approved.
- Discussion took place regarding the updated budget.

8 A.O.B.:

- (BM) asked about the CGF License Fee of €50 mentioned within the recent Membership Fee email. (GN) confirmed that this is an annual payment payable by all members if they wish to continue to hold a handicap. (GN) to issue email to clarify further.
- (BM) produced possible figures to be used for the prize structure for the 2021 Club Championships. Will be reviewed nearer.
- (CF) advised that Archie Maratheftis, from the greens staff will be retiring at the end of this year. Archie has had 15 years service at Minthis Golf Club.
- (GN) asked (DM) if we could have any influence over the Stroke Index rating for the new course. (DM) said that the CGF uses historical data, stroke index rulings, along with discussions with both (DM) and (CF) to produce the new Stroke Index. (DM) could confirm that this has already been completed.

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 2.25pm

The date of the next Meeting is on Monday 11th January at 1.00pm.