

**MINTHIS GOLF CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**HELD ON 16th JANUARY 2023**

<b>Present:</b>	Colin du Cann Crowther (CduCC)	Captain
	Graeme Nichol (GN)	Comp Secretary
	Carol Powell (CP)	Secretary
	Di Fairbairn (DF)	Treasurer
	David McGibben (DM)	Professional
	Chris Furneaux (CF)	Head Greenskeeper
	Stelios Patsalides	Golf General Manager (Past)
	Adam Davison	Golf General Manager (New)

**1 Apologies:** Apologies were received from (PH), (SP), (RP).

**2 Previous Minutes:**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 6th December were read and approved.

**3 Matters Arising:**

- There were no matters arising, however Mr Stelios wanted to thank the Committee for their excellent work over the last few years and acknowledged that there had obviously been some very difficult times throughout COVID, but hopes the future will be brighter. Mr Stelios wishes Adam Davison well, going forward. The Committee thanked Mr Stelios for all the hard work he has done within his position at Minthis. Adam Davison said how happy and excited he is to be part of the Minthis Project and hopes to take Minthis forward. He wanted to state that his door is always open to members.

**4 Competitions:**

- (GN) discussed the monthly mens medal and it was agreed that a small amount of money would be kept back from the 1st Division in-order to fund a prize for the Mens OOM, to acknowledge the overall best gross throughout the year.
- (GN) mentioned that there are 2 sponsors required for "Nearest the Hole" competitions in respect of this years fun competitions. (GN) to issue an email to encourage members to donate these outstanding vouchers.
- (GN) to issue an email reminder regarding (PH's) "Drive In" Sponsor Sheet that is located on the noticeboard in the caddy masters office.
- (DF) asked for confirmation of any payment to be budgeted for, for the 2023 CGF Championship. Roger Birkett will be representing Minthis in this event.
- It was agreed, as the Medal Winners Medal is a 1off event, that any 2's money from whichever tee being played from, should go to charity and not rolled over if not won. The existing €4 from the last medal in December should be rolled over to the Rolex Red/Yellow tee medals.

**5 Social Matters:**

- (CduCC) advised that it has been difficult with the organisation of the Dinner Dance, given the low numbers compared to normal. Once final numbers are agreed, (CduCC) will liaise with Gina and finalise details.

**6 Golf Course:**

(A) Course Report (CF)

**DECEMBER REPORT:-**

- Completed a full greens renovation which included sand top-dress and fertiliser.
- Sprayed the greens with pre-emergent herbicide and plant growth hormones to prevent the establishment of Poa Annua.
- Continued tidying the flower areas.
- Pruned overgrowth surrounding the driving range, subsequently recovered at least 1,000 range balls.
- Winter target greens were over-seeded on the driving range.
- Sprayed for weeds in the rough.
- Completed a final irrigation audit of the year and made subsequent repairs, approximately 23 faults.
- Rainy days spent working on the winter maintenance of re-painting golf course furniture and hazard stakes.
- Ten golf club staff members received first aid and defibrillator training.
- Sand levels in all bunkers were evaluated and re-distributed to correct levels accordingly.

**JANUARY OBJECTIVES:-**

- To spray fairways, greens and tees with liquid fertiliser and bio-stimulants.
- To spray weeds in the rough.
- Continue tidying flower/shrub areas.
- Complete detailed work such as sprinkler edging, bunker edging and spraying tree bases, paths and stone ditches for weeds.
- To edge the greens and remove invasive weed-grass from the collars.
- Repair sprinkler leaks.
- Continue re-furbishing golf course furniture.
- To prune low overhanging broken tree branches.
- Currently waiting for final confirmation of the 2023 budget, once it has been agreed we can look at small golf course improvement projects for the coming year.

(B) Course Report

- (SP) asked about the condition of the 15th green. (CF) advised that this green is 10 years older than the other greens and has a more aggressive recovery which takes more maintenance. (CF) is happy with the way this is recovering and just takes time.
- (GN) asked when the new putting/chipping area will be in use. (CF) mentioned there is no hurry and should be around March/April.

## 7 Financial Matters:

- The Financial Accounts were reviewed and approved along with the end of year accounts. (GN) will issue the end of year accounts shortly for members to review. Any questions should be directed to (DF)
- (DF) issued the proposed end of 2023 budget for (CduCC) to review.

## 8 A.O.B:

- Mr Stelios confirmed to (DF) that management would be continuing with the €500 donation for this year.
- (GN) advised (DF) that a further 2 Past Captains Badges would need to be purchased covering the next 2 years.
- (DF) mentioned about the recording of 2's. To help ensure there are no 2's payments missed in future, please could all members highlight the appropriate scorecard at the top of the card, with the hole number and that it is a "2", so it is obvious when checking cards.
- It was agreed by (DM/GN) that a Handicap Review should be carried out.
- Discussion took place about the continuation of poor service at the Sports Bar which is causing a lot of ill feeling amongst members. Mr Stelios advised that an email should be directed to Stelios Fillipedes, copy Adam Davison with regards all the issues and will be looked into.
- (CF) advised that it has been confirmed by the CGF that qualifying competitions can be held while playing with the Winter Preferred Lies. (GN) to scan and issue the rulings to members.
- (DF) asked about the committee nomination forms. Mr Stelios confirmed that the nomination forms that all incoming committee members should complete 2 weeks prior to the AGM are held in the Pro Shop. Therefore for all those concerned, please could you complete one of these forms asap.
- (CduCC) confirmed that all trophies have been engraved prior to the presentation evening.
- Discussion took place regarding the replacement of the Minthis Team Shirt. It was agreed that (PH) should carry out a survey before this goes ahead.
- (CduCC) said a Big Thank you to Mr Stelios and the Committee for all their help and support during his Captaincy years. (GN) said on behalf of all members "Thank you and Well Done" to (CduCC) for carrying out a great job under difficult circumstances.

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 14.15 hrs

The date of the next Meeting is on Monday 13th February 2023 at 1.00pm.