# MINTHIS GOLF CLUB MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6th JUNE 2022

Present: Colin du Cann Crowther (CduCC) Captain

Graeme Nichol (GN) Comp Secretary

Carol Powell (CP) Secretary

Di Fairbairn (DF) Treasurer

Roy Peach (RP) Greens

David McKibben (DM) Professional

Chris Furneaux (CF) Head Greenskeeper

Mariya Kovela (MK) Management

# 1 Apologies:

Apologies were received from (PH) and (SP).

### 2 Previous Minutes:

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd May 2022 were read and approved.

## 3 COVID:

Further to discussion at the committee meeting, we would request that any member testing positive to please withdraw from any members competitions to protect other members of the club. We understand that this is not a legal requirement but ask that you use common sense in protecting others. We would request that spouses/partners also withdraw from competitions until the positive member has had 2 negative rapid tests and also that spouse/partner also has negative rapid test. We thank you all for your understanding as we have an ageing membership and we must try to maintain their safety. This does not stop any members from playing any non competitive golf as government legislation allows you to play. This request also is not mandatory however please respect your fellow members.

### 4 Matters Arising:

- (CduCC) confirmed that Tony Didlick successfully completed his sponsored "36 hole" event on Sunday 5th June. Tony has raised a total of €1,385 in aid of the Captains Charities. Thanks and congratulations goes to Tony on his achievement.
- (CduCC) advised that Mr Stelios has confirmed that it will not be possible to hire a buggy for using on the 10th and 11th holes only. Buggies can be hired for a minimum of 9 holes.
- (CduCC) mentioned that the volunteers list for helpers at the Juniors Open being held on 25th June is on the board in the Caddy Masters office should there be anybody else able to assist.
- (CduCC) has spoken to Mr Stelios regarding the Ex Members "Country Membership" suggestion by (SP). Mr Stelios likes the idea and will discuss further.

# 5 Competitions:

- The Administration Sheets for July, August and September have been reviewed, (GN) will place these in the folder along with the sign up sheets.
- (CduCC) confirmed that the Summer Open taking place on 9th July will be a Minthis sponsored charity event in aid of Ukraine. A raffle will take place along with an auction for an "overnight stay in resort". This is a one-off event with an entry fee of €5 which will go to the charity.
- (CduCC) was pleased to advise that for the first time in the "Captain versus Vice Captain" Competition, the Captain's team won with a result of 6 1/2 to 3 1/2.
- (CduCC) confirmed the Ladies Shootout winner was Di Fairbairn for the third year running.
- (CduCC) mentioned that the sign up sheets for the Captains Charity Day Competition and BBQ evening are in the folder. The format will once again be a Captains Scramble. (DM) and (CF) will again undertake the "1000" Ball Hole in One Challenge for charity.
- (CduCC) announced that due to poor response, it has been decided to postpone the Dukes Cup to a later date of 22nd October when hopefully there will be more members available to play.
- (GN) to push the numbers for the Greenkeepers Revenge Competition.
- (CduCC) confirmed that the result of the Interclub match against Aphrodite was 8 1/2 1 1/2 with an overall result of 12 1/2 7 1/2 in favour of Minthis. There were some concerns with the food, (CduCC) will feedback to Gina.
- (DM) advised that there has been 81 Individual Extra Day Cards and 136 Competition Qualifying Cards submitted within the last month. This totals 800 cards year to date (499 Competition and 301 Individual).

#### 6 Social Matters:

• (CduCC) advised that he will be organising a Tsangarides Wine Tasting evening followed by a meal at Letymbou Tavern in September.

## 7 Golf Course:

(A) Course Report (CF)

### **MAY REPORT:-**

- Mainly concentrated on mowing, golf course presentation and bunker maintenance.
- Completed a small greens renovation involving light aeration and verti-cutting.
- Continued Spray program. All golf course was treated with fertiliser, wetting agent, plant growth regulators and insecticide.
- 2 x irrigation audits completed. Revealed 18 faults then 13 faults two weeks later. All have been corrected.
- Mainline irrigation pipe to driving range was re-routed due to Pafilia construction works. Subsequently additional problems occurred involving numerous sprinklers and valves at the practice area blocked with stones. This has now been remedied following 10 days repair work.
- Continued the maintenance of landscaped areas. Oak trees on hole 16 right hand side were all pruned.
- One member of greens staff contract was terminated, has not yet been replaced.
- Greens, tees and 11 fairway all treated for mole crickets and granular insecticide.

#### JUNE OBJECTIVES:-

- Construct new hotel practice green plus complete the construction of 10 white tee.
- Install new sprinklers to problem areas starting with 1 fairway.
- Seed and top-dress fairway patches.
- · Complete another irrigation audit.
- Continue applying fertiliser, bio-stimulants insecticide and wetting agent's to the golf course to keep the grass healthy.
- Continue with the maintenance of landscaped areas, prune path overgrowth and low hanging tree branches.
- Golf environment organisation (GEO) verifier will visit on 24/6/2022 for assessment.
   We aim to achieve accreditation and renew our GEO certification for a further three years.

# (B) Course Report (RP)

- (CduCC) commented on how wet the course is at the moment. (CF) said that they are watering through the night, however the humidity levels fluctuate a lot. (CF) is constantly monitoring the wet areas and adjusting the sprinklers.
- (GN) mention about the amount of long wispy grass on the fairways and the churned up areas after being cut. (CF) said the mole crickets are continuing to create issues on the fairways and that the knives on the cutting machinery need to be sharpened more often.
- (SP) asked about the situation when balls drop in the lakeside red staked area to the left of the lake on the 9th. (DM) confirmed there are two options, either play from the drop zone or from where the ball was last played.
- (GN) asked about the ladies 10th and 14th tee, whether these could be tidied. (CF) will address.
- (RP) asked when the irrigation system on the 1st fairway will be completed. (CF) said he still awaits delivery of the cabling.
- (RP) asked (CF) what his current staffing levels are. (CF) mentioned he is down to 10 staff and awaits replacement of one member, however he has easily enough work for a team of 15 staff.
- (GN) highlighted a members comment that the greens are looking superb at the moment however they are beginning to become slower. (CF) said that they are getting more growth at the moment.
- The loose impediments around the course was discussed and (GN) to issue email concerning playing options.
- (GN) asked about access to 10th tee and Golf Academy. (DM) confirmed that
  construction is now ongoing on the final layout, with kerbs being laid however, there is
  no timescale for completion.
- (GN) mentioned that the access to the ladies 3rd tee is dangerous underfoot. Mr Stelios informed a member that it would be addressed however to date this has not been done, (CF) confirmed that the path will be levelled.

#### 8 Financial Matters:

The Financial Accounts were reviewed and approved.

## 9 A.O.B.:

- (GN) advised that it has been raised by a member that a democratic decision was not made following the recent survey on how to deal with a rollover on the result of no 2's being achieved on the day of a 2's competition. In addition some members have also expressed that they appeared to have voted for the wrong way forward as it was a Yes/No vote and now realise what they voted for the wrong thing. The committee therefore think the way forward is to have a new vote where the decision you vote for is clarified (not Yes/No but Rollover/Charity) and that the winning decision will be the one with most votes. GN will issue new clear details of the Vote for members to respond.
- (CduCC) confirmed that all menu's in the restaurant have been updated however (CduCC) is meeting Mr Stelios, Resort Manager to discuss the update of the 19th Hole Menu.
- (GN) asked when the Pro Shop/Sports Bar changes will be carried out, (MK) confirmed once the resort is finished.
- (RP) asked (MK) for the Twilight members tee times. (MK) confirmed 12.00 pm onwards, however if it not busy, bookings can be slightly earlier.
- (CF) asked again if members can ensure that they rake the bunkers and tidy up after themselves.

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 1420 hrs

The date of the next Meeting is on Monday 4th July 2022 at 1.00pm.