

## MINTHIS HILLS GOLF CLUB

### MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON : MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

<b>Present</b>	Neil Storer ( NS )	Captain & Competitions' Secretary
	Bob Windsor ( BW )	Vice Captain
	Bill Martin ( BM )	Treasurer
	Roy Peach ( RP )	Greens' Secretary
	Gill Cackett ( GC )	Committee Secretary
<b>In Attendance</b>	David McKibben ( DM )	Club Professional
	Chris Furneaux ( CF )	Head Greenkeeper

#### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Peter Taylor ( PT ) Social Secretary and Joke Alexandrou ( JA ).

#### **2. Previous Minutes**

The Minutes from the previous meeting held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February were read and approved.

#### **3. Matters Arising**

- a ) The 'play off' procedure if required in the Club Championships, was discussed. The Committee were asked to consider 3 options :
- i) countback
  - ii) best of 3 holes
  - iii) sudden 'death'
- and to communicate their preference to the Secretary ( GC ).
- b ) DM confirmed that the new stroke allowance tables showing the allowance for handicaps greater than 36 had been ordered.
- c ) CF confirmed that the number of white stakes behind the 5<sup>th</sup> green had been increased.
- d ) NS reported that the renewing and joining procedure for Top Quotes Golf Insurance had been implemented.
- e ) NS confirmed that the Knockout Draws and cut-off dates for each round had been completed. The draw has been posted on the website as previously discussed.

- f) DM confirmed that a lapsed handicap can now be re-activated by the submission of 1 card. Those members with a lapsed handicap will be informed of the procedure to reactivate their handicaps. ( Action NS and GC )

#### **4. Committee Matters**

a) The Captain thanked and welcomed the Committee members. BW agreed to organise the inter club matches with RP to deputise. BM as Treasurer will be assisted by BW. RP agreed to remain as Greens' Secretary and GC as Committee Secretary. PT had agreed to be Social Secretary and NS will combine Competitions' Secretary with the position of Captain.

b) NS proposed the Operating Plan 2016 for approval by the Committee. It was confirmed that the Medal prizes would be Parker pens for the next 3 months and that the ' Super Medal' competitions would continue to be held every quarter with enhanced prizes using the excess prize fund from the previous Medal competitions. The meal vouchers for Gabriel's Tavern will continue to be awarded to the overall best net score in each gender. The Stableford competitions will also be sponsored with a 30 euro voucher for Palia Ilektriki. These will be awarded to the best overall stableford score across all 3 divisions.

The eligibility for consideration for the most improved player ( % handicap reduction ) was discussed. It was proposed that this trophy, sponsored by BM, will be open to members who have had an active handicap for the previous 12 months.

The Committee duly approved the Operating Plan 2016

c) The new Handicap Committee will comprise of NS, BW and GC. The Handicap Committee agreed to meet with DM in March to review the handicaps of new members and those members who are currently reducing their handicaps, in line with the recommendation made in Sections 3.11 and 3.16 of the EGA Handicap System Handbook.

d) In light of the fact that EGA Handicaps can now be as high as 54, the Committee discussed and agreed that all competitions would be held with a maximum handicap of 36 as a condition of entry.

#### **5. Competitions**

a) NS explained the various fund raising ideas that would be held on Captain's Charity Day. Members will be asked for donations for raffle prizes. ( Action GC )

b) As previously reported, the MH Mixed Open will be advertised and organised by Management. It was agreed that trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places would be purchased from the entry fee funds.

c) The competitions for March and April were reviewed.

#### **6. Social Events**

a) The date for the 'Meet and Greet' evening is to be finalised and it was agreed that all new members would receive personal invitations to the evening.

b ) In the absence of PT, the Captain discussed the proposed social event schedule with the committee. The schedule of events is in the folder for members to view and sign for. It was suggested that non-members could be invited to events which require a minimum number to ensure viability of the event.

## **7. Golf Course Matters**

a ) RP asked whether the white and yellow tees for the 12<sup>th</sup> hole could be levelled. CF confirmed that the work had been approved and should be completed during next winter.

b ) CF confirmed that the approaches to the bridges over the 15<sup>th</sup> hole ditch will be asphalted as soon as the asphalt is back in stock to provide a more permanent solution. ( Action CF )

c ) RP asked whether flag stones could be put on the steps leading up to the 6<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> tees. CF felt that this was unlikely but would investigate the possibility of putting in a handrail for additional safety. ( Action CF )

d ) NS had received a request for a buggy to be left near the 15<sup>th</sup> green to transport players up to the 16<sup>th</sup> tee. This would be considered should a buggy become available.

e ) BM reported that several members were unsure of local rules regarding boundary walls, hazard walls 13<sup>th</sup> hole procedure and newly landscaped areas. NS said that the website does explain some of these rules but it was felt that this was still insufficient. It was decided that RP will survey the course with DM and CF to identify the areas which cause most confusion and a ' rules sheet ' explaining and clarifying these will be produced for members. ( Action RP, DM and CF )

## **8. Financial Matters**

a ) It was agreed that the new Bank Mandate will name the Captain ( NS ), Vice Captain ( BW ) and Treasurer ( BM ).

b ) NS asked the committee to consider ideas to use the excess money in the budget for the benefit of all members.

c ) NS explained that there were concerns about how the Cyprus Betting Law 2012 may affect some of the fund raising events. Minthis Hills' Resort Manager offered to have Pafilia's Solicitors study the list of activities used to raise money for charity to ensure that these are legal. This offer has been accepted.

d ) The February Accounts will be completed by the Treasurer. ( Action BM )

## **9. Date of the next Meeting**

The date of the next Committee Meeting will be Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April.