

**MINTHIS GOLF CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**HELD ON 5th APRIL 2021**

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| <b>Present:</b> | Graeme Nichol (GN)             | Captain/Comp Secretary  |
|                 | Colin du Cann Crowther (CduCC) | Vice Captain            |
|                 | Carol Powell (CP)              | Secretary               |
|                 | Di Fairbairn (DF)              | Treasurer               |
|                 | Sandra Pope (SP)               | Charity Secretary       |
|                 | Roy Peach (RP)                 | Greens                  |
|                 | Peter Hunter (PH)              | Committee               |
|                 | 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 8th March 2021 were read and approved.

**3 Matters Arising:**

- (GN) advised that until the AGM is held, the bank signatories could not be changed. It was confirmed that the signatories for the 2021/22 golf year would be (GN), (CduCC), (CP) and (DF).
- (GN) to confirm the date for the "Greenskeeper Day" social competition.
- (GN) advised that course hazards and rules of playing from various stakes have been reviewed. (DM) confirmed that the CGF have looked at the areas of the course under review and (DM)/(CF) are to propose suitable wording for the clarification documentation. Once this has been finalised, this will be placed onto the website, circulated to members and displayed in the cabinet located at the 1st tee box.

**4 Competitions:**

- (GN) advised the Mens Medal Winners Medal 2020 was played on Saturday 27th March. Congratulations go to the winner Karl Warren. The Ladies should be played shortly.
- The Motherball social golf day is going ahead on 7th April with seven teams of 4.
- (GN) confirmed that the Blevin Franks sponsored St George's Day competition has been cancelled. They are still wishing to sponsor an event, therefore this will now be the Jack/Queen/King/Ace fun competition scheduled to take place on 13th October.

- It has been confirmed that the Knockout matches can be played, assuming all those involved in the game are happy to go ahead.
- (GN) advised that a couple of fun fixtures have been swapped round in December. The Xmas lunch is now taking place on 15th rather than the 8th.
- It has been agreed to cancel the Secret Valley Interclub match due to be played at Minthis on 15th April. The proposed rescheduled date is 5th August. This will be confirmed once Secret Valley have agreed the date.
- (GN) awaits confirmation from the CGF who are approaching KOA to advise whether qualifying competitions can be played.

## 5 Social Matters:

- Both the Captains BBQ and Xmas Lunch menu's were reviewed and agreed looked an impressive buffet menu.

## 6 Golf Course:

### (a). Course Report (CF)

- The Spring aeration of the course has now been completed.
- Most of the tree removal plan has gone ahead, the only outstanding work being clearing the trees between the avenue of Cypress's from Hole 11 to the Monastery. This will provide a clear avenue to the Monastery once finished.
- There are plans to plant further trees between the 1st and 9th to separate these holes, also tidy up the trees along the right hand side of the 1st fairway.
- Good progress has been made with the new tee box on the 1st hole. Turfing of the yellow and white tee box will take place this coming week and once the asphalt is laid the surrounds will be seeded. The final decision on the new hole extension will be made by the architect and Minthis Directors. It is anticipated that the hotel and tee box will open at the same time which should be by the end of June.
- Ongoing turf repairs have taken place on the worst areas of construction damage, therefore the nursery green will shortly be reseeded to ensure that new turf is available when required next season.
- All greens have been treated with pre-emergent herbicide and plant growth hormones to try and prevent any weed from coming through. It is hoped by May that the new greens will be consistent with the old.
- Repairs to the academy course are due to be worked on.
- The drop in the height of the cut on the new surrounds will be carried out next week.
- Given the longer winter than normal, there has been a difference in the growing season resulting in one month behind in warm season grass growth. (CF) is waiting for warmer temperatures for things to pick up.
- The bald areas in front of the 16th surrounds may require turfing.
- (CF) highlighted that there is plenty to do and has a busy month ahead of them.

### (b). Course Matters (RP)

- (GN) asked about the damage to the edge of the steps approaching the 16th tee box. (GN)/(CF) to speak to Mr Stelios.
- (RP) mentioned the tufts of grass on areas of the fairways, (CF) stated that the summer grass is beginning to come through but needs the warmer weather in order to choke out the tufted spots. (CF) will deal with the tufts but has to be patient.
- (RP) talked about the areas approaching the tee boxes. (CF) confirmed that these will be turfed later in the season.
- (CduCC) asked about the condition of the 10th tee box. (CF) advised that it still needs a couple of weeks for the dormant Bermuda grass to wake up.
- (PH) mentioned the entrance to the green on the island hole taking a lot of hammering. (CF) believes he can keep on top of this situation throughout the year with regular hand watering.

## **7 Financial Matters:**

- The Monthly Accounts were reviewed and approved from the new summary format which was regarded as far easier to understand.
- (DF) highlighted that given the cancellation of competitions to date, this will obviously have an impact on the end of year figures.
- (CduCC) advised that the charity cheques from 2020 are being held until a presentation is possible.
- (GN) advised that Jackie Lee, an ex member was holding €250 from the previous “9 wine and dine” social competitions. Jackie has now donated this money to the Captains Charity as this event is no longer held.
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## **8 A.O.B.:**

- (GN) advised that the AGM will be held at the earliest opportunity. Mr Stelios will advise a date ASAP.
- The Meet & Greet event will again be held outside and Mr Stelios will once again confirm when this is possible. The Awards Presentations will be presented on this evening.
- (DF) asked whether bar/restaurant bills should be paid outside on the terrace rather than crowding inside to pay. (MK) confirmed that due to members using cards for payment, it is recommended by management that members pay at the bar 1 person at a time.
- (GN) should be able to confirm shortly when equipment will once again be able to be left at the club house.
- (MK) asked if (GN) could update the members emailing list to ensure that only active members receive updates.

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 1500 hrs

The date of the next Meeting is on Tuesday 4th May at 1.00pm.