

# Minutes NGC EC Meeting 30 September 2020

Summary of EC meeting, 30 September 2020, held at St. Gilles. All EC members participating. Treasurer via VTC. Agenda distributed on 20. September 2020.

On the agenda itself:

## Minutes last meeting.

The minutes were approved, and will be uploaded on the NGC Website.

# Latest update on COVID-19 restrictions.

The EC continuously monitor the changes in the COVID-19 restrictions related to our NGC golf-events in Belgien, and we will continue to apply them for each event as applicable. Decisions on necessary changes in format or composition of each event will be made preferably no later than 1 week prior to scheduled tee off.

More generally, it was discussed and agreed that cut off for signing up for events will be one week prior to the event. This way, we can free the reserved tee times at the Golf Club hosting the said event, thus giving the host club a chance to let other players on the course.

## Next AGM.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM 2021) is scheduled to take place on 29. January 2021. The EC discussed the meeting in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the resulting limited places for conducting the event. It was agreed that the President should contact the Restaurant at the Brabantse Golf Club and investigate, if they would host a dinner event for 20-40 people. If so, the EC would conduct the AGM as an integral part of this dinner. If not, the EC will have a look at some fallback options, e.g. The National or someplace else.

# **Assisting Captain/Club Secretary.**

The previously discussed need to groom a new Club Captain was discussed. Additionally, the need for a Club Secretary was briefly addressed. It was agreed that the Club President would address the issue in an upcoming update on the NGC Webpage (Newsletter), that all members automatically subscribe to. Following this the EC would decide on a short list and start contacting potential candidates.

# Corporate memory.

A corporate memory initiative has been decided, through which NGC relevant information will be collected and stored on the webpage thus creating an easily accessible and transparent interface between members and the NGC, and simultaneously display the collective corporate history of the NGC, incl. previous Club Champions, Presidents etc.. Work is in progress, and will be implemented successively.



#### Finance.

The potential of offering different payment options for membership and the connected administrative challenges for the treasurer of the NGC was discussed, including rolling 12 month membership. It was decided, that given the already very limited annual fee, and the already existing options of reduced membership fee (½ fee from September, and following year included after November), the advantages of implementing more options would not outweigh the accompanying administrative and bookkeeping challenges.

The Treasurer and the Captain are investigating the potential of the Accounting Software, and options for introducing Double-Entry Bookkeeping are being considered.

In order to have an updated membership list the Treasurer will try to identify members, that are no longer active, or simply have not paid their dues. It was agreed that after a 30 days grace period, members not paying their dues or otherwise reacting to club communication, would be deleted.

Finally, on GDPR compliance, it was agreed to finalize the Data Privacy Notice prepared by the President, and subsequently publish the policy on the NGC Webpage. The President circulates the draft with a view to have it updated, finalized and published soon.

#### Club Kit Status.

It was discussed how to best facilitate financial transactions related to sale of NGC merchandize during events and tournaments. It was agreed to investigate how we can make best use of the website and the options that lies within the website, in order to limit the numbers of manual and/or redundant steps in handling both payments, inventory etc. related to the NGC Store.

All NGC Trophies were inspected and options discussed. It is a fact that more of the NGC trophies are worn both as a consequence of age, but also from being circumstantially "roughly" handled. Moreover, it has proved very expensive and laboursome to keep the engravings of the different Trophies updated. It was thusly decided, that for future events we should stop engraving the various Champions on the Trophies, but instead let them get their individual price winning photo with the applicable NGC Trophy on the Webpage for the sake of both publication and preservation of Club history. As we approach coming events, the EC will decide on the future of the individual trophies, with a view to have new trophies for all NGC events over the coming years at a pace of 1-2 per year. It was decided that the first two new trophies will be the NATO Cup Trophy and the Club Championship, Cat. 1, Trophy., and for our coming EC meeting, suggestions and prices estimates will be obtained for discussion and decision.

## **Captains Corner.**

The Captain will move ahead and finalize the 2021 event calendar for decision at the coming EC meeting.

The idea of having members promote special events or privileged access to golf courses in and/or outside Belgium will be promoted through an upcoming NGC Captains Newsletter through the website.

Finally, procedures for the longest drives and closest to the pin were revisited. It was agreed to test a new concept, where the player hitting the longest drive leave his headcover behind as proof, and consecutive flight will either replace by own cover, or collect for the price winning ceremony. On



Closest to the Pin, a laminated card has been produced and a Permanent Marker acquired for easy handling at the expense of the previous well-known metal sign.

Putting Competition inside stroke play tournaments with max. score. It was discussed how to handle putting competitions inside a stroke play event with max. score. It was decided, that if a player reaches max. score without having holed out, a total of 3 puts should apply in the putting competition.

Finally, it was decided to investigate if the NGC could facilitate practise and/or training opportunities/Clinics for members (e.g.: ½ day events or the like). It was decided that the President should contact the Pros of Brabantse Golf Club and discuss options.

## Next meeting.

The president suggested the following date for the future meetings of the EC:

WED, 14 OCT. (Discuss next year's Calendar of event. Issues for the 2021 AGM). THU, 03 DEC. (Discuss 2021 AGM). FRI, 29 JAN 2021. AGM

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