

Golf Club of the European Union Club de Golf de l'Union européenne

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Brussels, 19 February 2022

## Draft minutes of the EUGC committee meeting on 25 January 2022, 12h30, Il Ramo Verdee, Rue de Toulouse 46, 1040 Bruxelles

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In attendance: Peter BAADER, Christian EHLERS, Chantal JACQUES, Victoria PAGADIGORRIA, Emilio RODRIGUEZ,

Excused Filip VERCRUYSSE

1. Golfing programme 2022 (state-of-play)

The Secretary, Chantal Jacques, presented the draft programme for the golfing season 2022. The draft programme would be updated regularly and published on the EUGC public website.

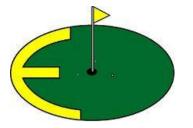
2. <u>Membership situation</u>

At the time of the meeting 108 players had renewed their membership.

3. Preparation of the General Assembly

The committee decided to organise the general assembly according to the draft agenda attached (see annex 1).

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### 4. Slow play

Based on the earlier review of the situation in 2017, at the time prepared by the Captain Michel DUPON, and Peter BAADER's written contribution, the committee adopted the attached text (see annex 2).

### 5. Incident in the Pierpont bar on 15 January 2022 (Winter Cup III)

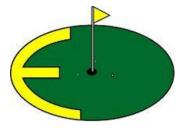
On 15 January, at the fringe of the EUGC Winter Cup an incident occurred between Dominique DOYLE and the manager of the Pierpont bar. A vivid exchange of views took place between the two persons concerned, which Dominique considered rather offensive. His views were supported by other members of his flight. These members submitted their views in writing to the committee. The Pierpont bar manager also commented in writing.

The committee regretted the incident and emphasised that politeness and courtesy should be observed at all times! The President offered to speak with the bar manager with the view to avoiding such situations in future.

### 6. AFGOLF competitions

- Marshall (see annex 4): The President and Vice-President are interested in following this training. They would probably take part in the training organised in La Bawette.
- Challenge de Printemps Seniors: AFGOLF has published the dates for qualifiers. The dates would be included in the EUGC golfing programme.
- Ladies' Championship: The President mentioned that the Ladies European Tour would return to Belgium in 2022: The MITHRA B ELGIAN LADIES' OPEN would be staged from 27 to 29 May in the Naxhelet Golf Club. The EUGC would register for

the AFGOLF Ladies' Cup.



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➢ Men's Cup:

The President pointed out that the European Tour, soon to become DP World Tour, would return to Belgium: The SOUDAL OPEN would be staged from 12 to 15 May in the Rinkven International Golf Club. The EUGC would register for the AFGOLF Men's Cup.

- Women's golf (GLF PWR): AFGOLF proposed several workshops in early 2022 (please consult the AFGOLF website: <u>https://afgolf.be/espace-ladies/</u>)
- 7. Promotional material

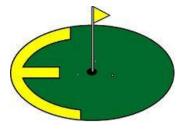
Nothing new to report.

8. Miscellaneous

The next committee meeting would take place on Tuesday, 5 April 2022, at 12h30 in the restautant "Il Ramo Verdee", 46 ue de Toulsouse, 1040 Brussels.

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### Annex 1

# *European Union Golf Club Club de Golf de l'Union européenne*

General Assembly/Assemblée générale - 17 February/février 2022<sup>1</sup>

Restaurant Il Ramo Verde, Rue de Toulouse 46, 1040 Bruxelles drinks/apéro18h30, dinner at 19h30, dîner commence à 19h30

### DRAFT/Projet de l'AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the agenda/Adoption de l'Ordre du Jour
- Activity report by the President, Christian EHLERS, followed by questions and answers about the golfing year 2021 Rapport d'activités du Président, Christian EHLERS, suivi des questions/réponses sur le déroulement de l'année sportive 2021
  - Filip VERCRUYSSE, Captain/Capitaine : Website and club outfit/site web et vêtements du club, newsletter
- 3. Review of the 2021 financial year, Christian EHLERS, Treasurer Résultats financiers de l'exercice 2021, Christian EHLERS, trésorier
- 4. 2022 golfing calendar, Chantal JACQUES, Secretary Calendrier golfique 2022, Chantal JACQUES, Secrétaire
- 5 Discharge of the EUGC Committee Décharge du comité du CGUE

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<sup>1</sup> Documents related to the General Assembly can be found in the members' section of the EUGC website. Vous pouvez trouver les documents liés à l'assemblée Générale dans la partie réservée aux membres du site CGUE. (www.eu-golfclub.eu).



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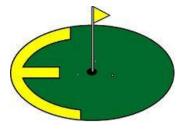
6. Election of a new committee<sup>2</sup> Election d'un nouveau comité

> (The outgoing committee proposes the following EUGC members for the committee: President Christian EHLERS, Vice-President Emilio RODRIGUEZ, Captain Filip VERCRUYSSE, and Secretary Chantal JACQUES, Peter BAADER, Victoria PAGADIGORRIA. Any member who wishes to work as a committee member should send a letter of motivation to the President before 15 February 2022.)

7. Miscellaneous/Divers.

<sup>2</sup> Article 8: "The Committee to be elected by the General Assembly for one year is composed of at least 5 members, who can be re-elected. The positions in the Committee include the following: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Captain." Article 8 : « Le Comité à élire par l'A.G. pour une année, se compose d'au moins 5 membres qui sont rééligibles. Les fonctions à prendre en considération au sein du Comité sont les suivantes : Président, Vice-Président, Secrétaire, Trésorier et Capitaine. »

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Annex 2

Brussels, 30 January 2022

# Slow play

## ... and how to avoid it

(by Peter BAADER on behalf of the EUGC Committee

- Before starting the round, **be ready for the round**: pitchfork (!), balls and an extra ball in your pocket for playing a provisional ball, tees, ball marker, golf glove, food, and drink.
- If you are **unfamiliar with a course**, buying a stroke saver booklet in the pro-shop might be a good idea.
- Always respect the golf **etiquette** (i. e. know the rules of golf, show up on time, don't talk while others are hitting, don't stand or move behind a player who is about to hit his/her ball, be familiar with the lost-ball-rules, avoid slow-play, switch off your mobile phone, shout FORE if a ball you mishit could endanger other players, obey the cart path rules) !
- Before starting a round, agree within the flight to play "**ready golf**" (in stroke play/Stableford, i.e., to play a ball first that is closer to the hole than another ball).
- Walk up to your ball as early and as closely as possible (without putting yourself at risk) while other players get ready to execute their strokes. Be ready to play when it is your turn.
- **Plan your next stroke** even before reaching your ball (distance, club selection, line of play, etc.). Do not loose time putting on your glove only when it is your turn to play. Once ready to play, you have **max. 40 seconds** to execute your shot!
- **Play a provisional ball** if you are unsure whether your original ball is lost (outside a penalty area) or out of bounds.
- Two or three practise swings are more than enough!
- Watch the trajectory of other players' balls in your flight to assist them finding them, if needed.

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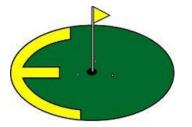
- If you need to **search for your ball**, remember that you have **no more than three minutes** from when you reach the area in which your ball might be (look at your watch, also to put other players in your flight 'on the clock'!)
- If several balls must be found or any other reason prevents your flight from moving forward swiftly, don't forget to wave the flight behind you through.
- **On the green**, benefit from the other players' putting when examining your own line of putt.
- For **shortish putts**, always ask if you may putt out first instead of marking and lifting your ball. If in match play the hole or your next stroke has been conceded, pick up your ball and move on.
- Once a hole is completed, move away from the green as swiftly as possible (discuss any issues, fill in the scorecard and rearrange and clean your clubs by the next teeing area).
- Be aware of **relief procedures** in order not to lose time by thinking about your options, determining a relief area, and putting a ball back into play (penalty areas, abnormal course conditions, unplayable ball, etc.) read the rules, watch YouTube on golf rules.

### Always remember:

## Your position on the course is just behind the flight in front of you, and not just ahead of the flight following you!

### Internal Rules of the European Union Golf Club:

- A flight is out of position:
  - On a par 3, when players are not on the tee box when the previous flight has already left the tee box of the following hole.
  - On a par 4, when players have not left the tee box when the previous flight has already left the green.
  - On a par 5, when players are not on the tee box when the previous flight has already reached the green.



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- A maximum time allowed per shot is 40 seconds. The 40 seconds start when it is the player's turn to play, and he has had sufficient time to reach his ball and to be able to play without distraction or interference. On the green, the timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair ball marks and clear loose impediments on his Line of put. Time spent looking at the line in preparation of the putt counts as part of time taken for the next shot. The marker should verify that this rule is observed.
- On average, a flight of 2 players should be allowed 3h36' (average 12' per hole), a flight of 3 players 4h12' (average 14' per hole) and a flight of 4 players 4h30' (average 15' per hole) to complete a round of 18 holes. A flight is considered out of time if after appropriate assessment of mitigating circumstances by the committee the flight has exceeded the max. time indicated.
- All players are obliged to mark the time when he/she left the 18th green. Thereby the committee will be able to establish when and where slow play begun when reviewing and registering the scores.
- The committee may impose, once the competition is completed but not yet encoded, the following penalties for slow play in accordance with the Rules of Golf:
  - 1. First transgression of max. time: warning
  - 2. Second transgression of max. time: 1 penalty stroke
  - 3. Third transgression of max. time: 2 more penalty strokes
  - 4. Fourth excess of max. time: disqualification
- If the committee cannot identify the responsible player, the penalties will be applicable to all players of the flight causing the delay.
- Players declared "out of time" will not be able to receive any prizes or points in the context of individual competitions or series of competitions i. e., Astérisque, Winter Cup, etc. Their scores, however, remain valid vis-à-vis the Royal Belgian Golf Federation.