

Brussels, 22 April January 2023

# Draft minutes of the EUGC committee meeting on 21 April 2023, 12h30, Il Ramo Verdee, Rue de Toulouse 46, 1040 Bruxelles

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<u>In attendance</u>: Christian EHLERS, Chantal JACQUES, Victoria PAGADIGORRIA,

Emilio RODRIGUEZ, Filip VERCRUYSSE

Excused Peter BAADER

# 1. Golfing programme 2023 (state-of-play)

- The season opening weekend in *Le Touquet* was as successful as in prvious years. The committee decided to make a block booking for 2024.
- ➤ The international team competition in *Wimereux* could rely on a good team spirit, although the EUGC finished in the middle of the pack, rather than among the top teams. The results and photographs will be published on the public website.
- The committee decided that this year category two and three player would go out first during the Club Championship with the view to encouraging the champions to stay for the reception.
- ➤ The XXVII European Parliamentary Golf Tournament 2023 will take place from 10 to 12 July at the Crans-sur-Sierre Golf Club in Crans-Montana, Switzerland. The competition is only open to current or former MPs, MEPs and officials working for a parlimant.



- PUILAETCO ( https://www.puilaetco.be/fr-be ), a private bank expressed its interest in sponsoring an EUGC competition. The committee asked the President to suggest to the ban to sponsor the competition in Ostend.
- ➤ The committee decided to support the "Springbok Cup" organized by Steve KNOWLES together with the South African Chamber of Commerce. The event will most likely be held in Royal Bercuit Golf Club on 4 October.
- ➤ The committee warmly thanked Dominic DOYLE for having contacted several golf clubs in South-East England. He suggests the following trip:

#### Friday Sept 15

Westgate and Birchington Golf Club - <a href="https://westgate-and-birchington-golfclub.co.uk/">https://westgate-and-birchington-golfclub.co.uk/</a> 3 tee times starting at 14h46. 20£ per person.

Check into Prince's

## Saturday Sept 16

North Foreland golf club - https://www.northforeland.co.uk/

Tee times provisionally booked for 14h24

#### Sunday Sept 17

Prince's golf club for 10h00 - https://www.princesgolfclub.co.uk/

## Accommodation

2 nights at the Lodge at Prince's Golf Club - <a href="https://www.princesgolfclub.co.uk/stay/accommodation">https://www.princesgolfclub.co.uk/stay/accommodation</a>

7 x twin rooms, 1 x single room

Includes Breakfast

2 Course evening meal, served in The Brasserie on The Bay \*Complimentary for one night only. We can decide the night.

#### **Travel**

Participants travel by car and Eurotunnel at their expense.

#### Cost per person

2 NIGHTS 1 ROUND @ TWIN OCCUPANCY £330.00 + North Foreland green fee £80 and Westgate and Birchington Green Fee of £20 **Total £430** 

2 NIGHTS 1 ROUND @ SINGLE OCCUPANCY £420.00 - Total £520

The golf clubs expect down payments as guarantee for accommodation and tee-times. Therefore, the committee decided only to go ahead if members confirm their participation by transferring €100 to the EUGC bank account in the near future. To this end, the President will send an e-mail to all members.

# 2. Membership situation

At the time of the meeting the EUGC had 117 members.

## 3. AFGOLF

- The EUGC teams fought hard in the "Challenge de Printemps Seniors" but not always successful. Some matches were highly competitive.
- Victoria PAGADIGORRIA informed the committee that the final of the Ladies' Cup will be played in the Royal Bercuit Golf Club on 25 September.
- Filip VERCRUYSSE confirmed that the final of the Men's Cup will be played in Gomzé on 6 October.

# 4. FRBG Gold Cards

Following the FRBG general assembly of 16 November 2022, the general assembly amended Article 6 of the internal rules as follows:

#### "Article 6. Cartes de libre parcours GOLD et usage entre les clubs

Chaque année, une liste de bénéficiaires de cartes GOLD de libre parcours sera proposée par les instances concernées et approuvée par le conseil l'Organe d'administration. Les joueurs bénéficiaires doivent obligatoirement disposer d'une carte fédérale et respecter les règles édictées par les clubs et notamment le nombre de visites par an.

Outre ces bénéficiaires, les Présidents, Capitaines et Secrétaires ou Directeurs en fonction des clubs membres effectifs de la Fédération disposent également d'une carte GOLD pour pouvoir



<mark>être</mark> soient invités lorsqu'ils visitent d'autres clubs <mark>(maximum 3 par club)</mark>. <mark>Les clubs membres</mark> adhérents de la Fédération ne disposent qu'une carte GOLD à distribuer à la personne de leur choix. »

The Presidents of the EUGC, IGC and MUGS are of the opinion that this change of the internal rules is arbitrary and discriminatory, and therefore illegal. They will request a meeting with the President of the FRBG.

A first exchange of view with the FRBG President will take place in the fringe if the next FRBG general assembly on 26 April. For the EUGC its Vice-President Emilio RODRIGUEZ-CASTRO will attend, as the EUGC President is not on the country.

The aim of this meeting is to understand how the above-mentioned change came about. A meeting among the four Presidents should be scheduled for May.

# 5. Miscellaneous

The next committee meeting will take place on 4 July.

**Christian EHLERS**