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# European Union Golf Club (EUGC) General Assembly, 18 February 2021, 18h30

(by video conference)

#### **Minutes**

#### 1. Agenda

The President opened the meeting at 18h40. The agenda was adopted unaltered.

#### 2. Activity Report 2020

The President presented his activity report for the year 2020. Referring to the golf programme of the year in question, he regretted that in spring and autumn many competitions had to be cancelled due to the Corona virus pandemic. When courses temporarily opened in summer after the first wave of the pandemic, the committee set up as many fixtures in July and August as possible to offer members the opportunity to play. Usually, those months would have been a quiet period for the club as members would have gone on vacation.

The President explained that when sanitary restrictions did not allow to organise a prize giving, the committee kept the prizes for the winners of competitions. The prizes would be handed over when possible.

During the discussion members bewailed that the 2020/2021 Winter Cup competitions were called off to avoid the propagation of the Corona virus and due to weather conditions. They called on the committee to look for possible playing opportunities in March. The President replied that the Belgian government would review the pandemic situation on 26. February. Should the situation sufficiently improve, the committee would try to set-up playing opportunities.



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In addition, the President highlighted the constructive cooperation between the Association of French speaking golf clubs in Belgium (AFGOLF) and the EUGC in 2020. The EUGC would strive to strengthen cooperation, i. e. by playing in as many AFGOLF competitions as possible.

#### 3. Review of the Financial Year 2020

The President described the membership situation as stable and the financial situation of the EUGC as sound. Therefore, the membership fee would remain at its current level. He emphasized that the committee would continue funding prize tables, subsidising green fees and offering receptions.

The President drew the attention of the members to the password protected section of the EUGC website, where members could consult all financial documents relating to the financial year 2020.

## 4. Golfing Calendar 2021

The Secretary introduced the programme for the next season. She regretted that it would not be possible to play the Winter Cup in 2021. The traditional season opening weekend in Le Touquet also had to be cancelled; hotels and restaurants are currently closed in France. The Secretary pointed to a few courses the club would return to in 2021, like Sart Tilman, Enghien, Palingbeek, and Bossenstein. In autumn the EUGC would organise a weekend in the Netherlands, in Vaalsbroek, sanitary situation permitting.

Members congratulated the Secretary on her efforts.

### 5. <u>Discharge of the EUGC Committee</u>

The general assembly, unanimously, granted discharge to the outgoing committee.



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## 6. Election of the new EUGC Committee

The general assembly, unanimously, elected the following persons as members of the new committee: President Christian EHLERS, Vice-President Emilio RODRIGUEZ, Captain Filip VERCRUYSSE, Secretary Chantal JACQUES, Jeroen VERHAAF, Peter BAADER.

The President added that he would temporarily take over the task as treasurer until a new treasurer could be found.

The President introduced Peter BAADER, the new committee member, who would advise the club on rules related questions, as he is a qualified assistant golf referee with the Royal Belgian Golf Federation.

## 7. Miscellaneous

André MAMBOURG drew the attention of the assembly to a decision taken by the three Belgian golf federations concerning "c-card holders" in December 2020. C-card holders are golfers belonging to a Belgian golf club, which only offers training facilities and no course. In future, these golfers would have to pay a supplement when participating in inter-club, regional and federal competitions. That way they would contribute to maintaining the respective golf course infrastructure.

The President closed the meeting at 19h20.