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Minutes of Meeting SMGA

Meeting date November 5th, 2024

Present: Keith, Jan Peter, James, Ivan, Mark H., Marc G.

Absent : with notice: Anne-Marie

Absent : Yannick

1. Opening at 19.09h
2. Minutes of September 9th, 2024
   1. Donations were paid to the organizations who indicated they will be present at the X-Mas scramble awards ceremony
   2. SXM Open 2025, Keith will provide sponsor letter in order for us to approach potential sponsors in time for the sponsorship to be incorporated in the sponsors 2025 budget
   3. SXM Sports Federation
      1. Ivan had a couple of good meetings; the organization is a work in progress
      2. Idea is to build up the organization to be able to become part of the Pan-American games and maybe even the Olympics
   4. ECGA, went well: men's senior low net was won by Jan Peter and the men's senior team won 2nd low net. There was some rain delay and the final scoring was a disaster.
   5. Potential new board members for 2025, a few names were mentioned, JP wants to move to Finance as MH will leave – so a new tournament board member needed.
3. Finances
   1. ECGA: total accrued amount will be capped for the moment at USD 15,000, this means that USD 3,254.92 will be listed under the operating account.
   2. Finances were approved by Jan Peter and seconded by James
4. Junior Golf
   1. James mentions that the fall season started with 45 players for 8 weeks involved in 2-hour training sessions
   2. a lot of the youngster now have 3 years or more playing golf
   3. still "golf" is in competition with all the other activities/sports the youth are involved in
   4. Spring season starts in February 2025
   5. R&A eventually didn't come through for 2024 - Keith indicated the application process would be started early in preparation for 2025
5. Concordia Cup
   1. 2 times 9 holes Saturday and 18 holes Sunday:
      1. Saturday's format front 9 "alternate", back 9 "best ball", 75% of handicap applies
      2. Sunday's format: no handicap (i.e. pairing based on similar handicaps)
      3. Ivan is kind enough to regulate drinks and roti, the French will take care of the Saturday and Sunday breakfast , expenses will be shared
6. X-Mas Scramble
   1. December 7th, save the date email will be sent out on Nov. 6th
   2. Prizes and gift balls will be handled
   3. All prizes should be in/known on the Wednesday before the tournament
   4. Marc G. will check with Tortuga
   5. Keith will circulate the critique from last year
7. Closing: 20.57h