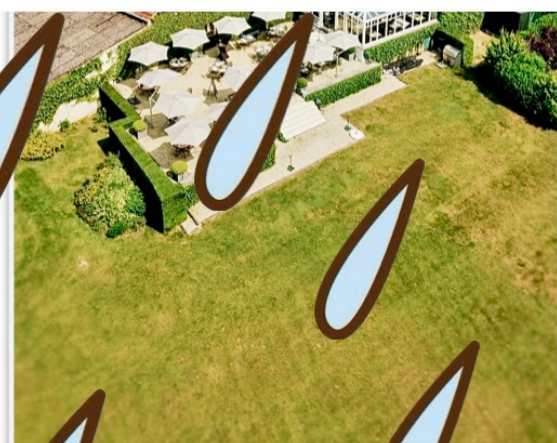


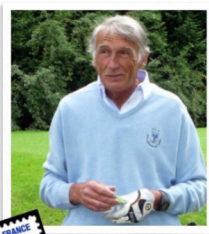


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President's Word

Mormal 13 Aug 2022

When having my F. of the morning - I saw that morning I was

This course must be "cursed"!!!! In 2022 our competition was cancelled due to a heat wave and this year it was displaced from June (absence of the sponsors) to the 24th of July but Buddha was on holiday and didn't care about us at all, the bastard. The locks of the sky opened and the course closed 30 minutes after our arrival. Greens and bunkers were flooded, no way to play in those conditions. Janick talked to the secretary and after inspection by the greenkeeper the course was closed about half an hour later.

So there we were and now what?

And also our BBQ for 31 persons!!!

Of course as good Belgians we found a solution and suggested the BBQ could be held at noon. A quick discussion with the restaurant (around 11:00 already) to ask if they could eventually arrange this and YES it was possible but not earlier than 13:30 due to the necessary preparations required.

A new problem then: some of our players already left and others fell sick a few days earlier or last minute and we couldn't reach the number of 31 as booked. I was bearing in mind that I wrote in the previous newsletter that anyone who cancelled less than 3 days earlier would have to pay anyway!!! A quick discussion with the caterer and he was so kind by announcing me that only those present would have to pay, "ouf". I was relieved hearing this. Yves in the meantime was asking those present if they would stay for the BBQ. We were finally 26 as some members managed to contact their relatives (supposed to arrive in the evening) to come at 13:30.

As the personnel of the bar and restaurant had been so helpful I asked Janick to collect a tip from all of us. The staff thanked me for this extremely rare gesture. But we are a bunch of well-educated and convivial persons, aren't we?

Janick, Yves and myself had a heartfelt discussion with the Honorable Secretary who found a date for us on the 4th of August.

As for those who had already paid their green fees, they received a voucher but limited till the end of the year. But some were not sure to be able to come on the 4th. A new discussion with the Honorable secretary was needed and he gladly accepted to validate their vouchers indefinitely. So once again those concerned were happy to hear this.

The BBQ started exactly at...13:30, but that's not all. Christian Lahaye and Xavier Esch had a wonderful idea. As there is a practice carpet below the terrace pointing to the 9th green they proposed to have a funny approach competition. All were enthusiastic and 14 competitors participated. It reminded me of the days when after our shower we played again a few holes often in jacket, shirt and tie, eventually until complete darkness. Crazy days it were but fantastic souvenirs.

I wish to thank Janick and our committee members present for their help and initiatives. Mark Welby had an "engine failure" (une engine) and couldn't be there. Dany Payeur had a serious health problem a few days earlier and wasn't also able to come. Dany we wish you all the best.

August will be a busy month.

Friday the 4th of Aug : L'Empereur - from 11:30 with 10 flights (no BBQ organized)

Wednesday the 9th of Aug: La Bruyère

Monday the 28th of Aug : Mormal

Faithfully yours, Patrick Swaelens



BBQ PITCHING CONTEST



News from Buddha

