

Committee meeting of the Invercargill Contract Bridge Club Wednesday 16th April 2025 7.00pm.

MINUTES

Present

Kate Ramsay, Pauline Sutherland, Janice Hodson, Christine Dallas, Tony Winters, Judith Lawton, Fred Warnaar, Lynn Darnill, Janet Thomas, Greg Buzzard, Jane Carroll,

Apologies

Grant Milne, Jan Brown

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Confirmation of Minutes of committee meeting 19 March 2025

Moved: Judith Lawton **Seconded:** Lynn Darnill **Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE: *To be dealt with as read.*

Inwards:

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| • 23 Mar 25 | O/S Bridge | Regional Challenge Teams trials – Fwd ALL |
| • 24 Mar 25 | Gore Bridge | TWIG Notice Sunday 15 June – Fwd ALL |
| • 31 Mar 25 | ILT | Application received |
| • 01 Apr 25 | NZ Bridge | Masterpoints Reports – Fwd ALL and NB |
| • 01 Apr 25 | G Buzzard | Signed sublease from ICC |
| • 03 Apr 25 | H Chesterfield | Notice for notices re booklets – Fwd Notices |
| • 04 Apr 25 | Jack King | Use of carpark – August 15 |
| • 04 Apr 25 | Gore bridge | Notice Gore/Intermediate Pars 24-25 May – Fwd ALL |
| • 07 Apr 25 | NZ Bridge | Youth Weekend 25-27 July – Fwd NB |
| • 07 Apr 25 | NZ Bridge | Bridge Teachers conference 18/19 Oct – Fwd CommTL JM
T Lundin to attend |
| | | <i>Moved G Buzzard Seconded Jan Brown</i> |
| • 08 Apr 25 | G Buzzard | Wed night consultation email – Fwd TW |
| • 09 Apr 25 | Reg Of Inc Soc | Reminder to re-register Dline 5 April 2026 – Fwd Comm |
| • 10 Apr 25 | OZ Bridge | Panama Canel Bridge Cruise – Fwd ALL NB |
| • 10 Apr 25 | G Buzzard | Rubber Bridge Entry - cc Judith L |
| • 13 Apr 25 | Picton Bridge Club | National Pairs 20A 21 and 22 June – Fwd NB |
| • 13 Apr 25 | Te Anua Bridge | Open B Tournament Sat 17 May – Fwd ALL NB |
| • 13 Apr 25 | NZ Bridge | North Island Pairs 2-3 Aug – Fwd NB |
| • 13 Apr 25 | Christchurch Bridge | Canterbury Bridge Congress 17-18 May – Fwd NB |
| • 15 Apr 25 | Y Hughes | Car Park use – Fwd Janet Thomas |

Outwards:

- 14 Apr 25 S Scott

Response to Swiss Pairs Query

Matters arising from Correspondence:

That the Inward Correspondence be accepted and the Outward Correspondence be approved.

Moved: Pauline Sutherland **Seconded:** Jane Carroll **Carried.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Financial report tabled for 31 March 2025

Matters arising from Treasurer Report:

Investments have been done – 2 x 25K (not renewing at the same time).

12K still at SBS

Treasurer report accepted with Accounts Payable of \$1221.14 to be paid

Moved: Christine Dallas **Seconded:** Tony Winters **Carried.**

MATCH REPORT

Handicap System reviewed twice a year.

Team on 24 April moved to 7 May 2025.

OTAGO/SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Regional champs 3 and 4 May – one entry from our club.

One Rubber Bridge entry from this club.

Whitcoulls – To qualify, play each of the 4 nights with a different player

HEALTH & SAFETY

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Property**
 - Cleaner duties – J Lawton
 - Fans have been put in toilets x inside systems – 2 fans in each – Hold invoice
- **House**
 - Judith has Murihiku tournament under control
- **Bar**
 - Fred receiving extra help via Chris McDonald and Susan Burgess

- **Masonic Lodge**
 - Meeting next month – lease extension, 2 names for bar, heat pump invoice
- **Membership Club Promotion:**
- **Computer:**
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- **Concerns & Feedback**
 - Letter x Y Hughes re car park use at weekends by ??? – Tony to liaise with Triathlon people, Janet to respond to letter
- **Constitution Sub-committee – 2025 Greg, Tony, Jane and Judith – EXP 12 April 2026**
 - Judith to get constitution template
 - Jane to set a time for meeting to draft new constitution

ACTION ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD:

Action	Responsible	Update
Lessons with Moss/Marilyn	Greg	Monday Nights – to be scheduled
Fire Drill	Grant	Next drill 12 June 2025
Dealing Machine	Xmas Break....	Needs Serviced (software download?)
Car Park	Grant	Private Sig to be erected in Carpark
Ventilation Fans	Grant	Quote x inside Systems to get
Drains	Grant	To be checked by camera
Constitution	Greg/Jane	To get skeleton draft x Otago Bridge
Bar	Grant	Drain blocked
Masons	Greg	2 more names for Bar
Bridge Computer	Pauline/Jane	Password/Access
Lease resigning – copy	Greg	ICC and Masons
Bridge Computer	Pauline/Jane	New email address for complaints?
Teams Winton Gore Clubs	Tony	Sept 2025
Cleaner	Judith/Christine/Janice	Copy of duties
Masons	Greg	Lease renewal – Nov 2025
Car Park	Tony	To contact triathlon people re use
Masons	Christine	Heat Pump Invoice
Letter From members	Janet	Respond to Y Hughes email 15/04

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Car Park Flooding – Judith to email photos to Greg
- Removal of notices form noticeboard by ??? – notices only to be removed by secretary.
- Emails – Jane to look at files again
- New office chairs – 2 new chairs to be purchased – *Moved Jan Brown Seconded Janet Thomas*

Meeting concluded at 8.22 pm Next meeting Wednesday 21st May 2025

SIGNED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

Signature: 
(Invercargill Bridge Club President)

Date: 21/5/2025

Match Committee Notes
Monday, 14 April 2025, at 6.30 pm

Present: Judith Lawton, Greg Buzzard, Jan Brown (late), Tony Winters, Jane Carroll, Geoff Eyles and Jill McMeeking

Apologies: Jan Brown for lateness

Minutes: *Did the last lot of minutes get signed off?*

Silver Reserve Promotion Blockage – Meeting Update:

The meeting was briefed on the attendance and matters discussed last Wednesday evening, when the club members were invited in to discuss and try and come up with solutions to the current blockage at the top of Silver Reserve due to refusals to accept promotion to Silver.

Matters discussed included provision of handicaps

Bringing promotions forward

Inviting reserve players to play on a Monday night, with the exception of Pairs nights.

Tony Winters will provide the full Committee meeting with a briefing on this matter at the next meeting. Points agreed:

- The handicap system we have is the best we could have – no changes to be made at this time.
- Ultimately NZ Bridge will bring in a nationwide handicap system and that will be adopted by the Club at that time.
- The majority of people's play within the club does not change significantly to affect handicaps on a monthly basis. To leave the updating of handicaps to twice a year.
- Deadline for promotions could be brought forward to the last pairs in October.
- The possibility that all players who were asked to accept promotion this year, but declined, be again offered promotion at the end of this year – particularly given the number of new players likely to come into the playing room.
- To be advised that if they do accept promotion, handicapped results will be provided on Monday nights, but prizes will only be awarded for winners "off the stick".

Teams Night – 24 April 2025:

A suggestion was made that, given the holiday period, that Teams not be played on 24 April, but be moved to 8 May 2025. This will result in Teams being played two nights in a row. The meeting supported this suggestion and recommends it to the Committee.

Rubber Bridge:

To date only one pair entered from Southland. To be promoted further within the club.

Murihiku 5A Tournament:

Director Confirmed.

Prizes confirmed – to be first, second and third placings, plus top intermediate for Teams and to add in a Junior prize for Pairs (so long as the number of entries support this – discretion to be left to Match Committee decision once numbers confirmed).

Teams prizes 1st=\$80; 2nd=\$60; 3rd=\$50; Int=\$30; Pairs prizes: 1st \$100; 2nd \$80; 3rd \$60; Top Int \$30; Top Jnr \$30

Entry information is on the website.

Need helpers for the event – Judith making personal approaches, and whiteboard to also be used in support, as well as notices and newsletter;

Need Scorer confirmed as appointed.

Need Bar support people on both days.

Termination: There being no further time to discuss anything else, the meeting closed at 7.15 pm.