

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS - Including ongoing matters

Bar: Nil report

Property: Main doors were left unlocked at the previous weekend.
A bollard has been pushed over outside and will be set back in at a later date.

House: The club cleaner of the last two years has resigned.

A quote for cleaning the rooms was received from Phoenix Services Limited for \$484.73 per week. This was deemed expensive and the job was advertised.

It was recommended that Michelle Harvey be employed on a 90 day trial with a review of the hours after that time.

Moved: J Lawton

Seconded: J Brown

Carried

Match:

21 January - Otago Southland Regional Swiss Pairs, Otago/Southland Regional Committee members run the tournament, Invercargill is the host club and will provide food within the agreed budget.

16 February - Teams start, need to push this to get more entries we aim to have three separate sections if possible.

18 February - Neurological Foundation tournament, notices will be sent out by Yvonne who is liaising with that organisation.

28 February - Next Learners class, spread the word

4 March - Rae Dorricott will direct the Southland Real Estate Junior and Intermediate Pairs and Inner Wheel will do the catering, entry fee will be \$30.

Handicaps will be updated quarterly March, June, September and December.

The handicap list in alphabetical order showing averages for 2016 will be printed and put on display. And the same listing for Silver is to be erected, as that for Silver Reserve.

Geoff Eyles has put a lot of work into the computer and we appreciate it greatly, there is still some ongoing work and he is looking to change the gmail to work through Outlook, the email will remain the same.

Action Items

Action	Responsible	Due	Update
Life members photos	Judith	Dec 2016	Photo frames have been delivered to some life members, work ongoing.
Record Books	Janet	Dec 2016	Lindsay Glover has kindly offered to take the record books on and will scan them onto a usb stick.

Office Computer upgrade	Anne		New computer is in place and working, Geoff will continue to get all applications running smoothly.
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GENERAL BUSINESS:

Club Development

- Upgrade of the 25 year old kitchen was discussed in particular the ovens and the cupboards. Costs will be investigated by Lindsay and reported back.
- There is a request that the big screen for the learners group to use, be brought through to the learners' room. Assistance with the cabling is required and an approach is being made to a club member for this.
- More scorers are required. Will call for them on Tuesday night.
- Cup Donation – there is to be a cup donated in honour of Betty Davis, the Friday Bridge members will be asked to provide input into what they would like it to represent.
- NZ Bridge have arranged advertising for a month at our local Cinema. A price for advertising the Learners Classes in the Sthld Express will also be sought.
- Concerns were raised around the number of people needing to sit at the moment. With an aging population this may change the type of movements that are played in the future.
- Silver players are able to ask for a regrading to silver reserve if they wish. Two have been known to go down in the past.
- The Treasurer will take over the maintenance of the membership database as it is in the job description.
- More photos of prize giving's and tournaments are required, as there are very few photos of recent years.
- Sponsorship situation is reasonably good.
- **ILT Grant Application** - The secretary is to apply for the ILT grant, \$1500 in total. \$1,000 for Murikihu and \$500 for the ILT Club Tournament in October. Moved J Lawton, Seconded T Winters. **Carried**
- It was clarified that no-one should be offered refunds on table vouchers, they are for a game of bridge and do not have a specified monetary value.
- Some NZ bridge members will be using the clubrooms next Friday, 20 January 2017 at 4.00 pm to discuss with any members wishing to attend, some of the issues with the proposed restructure proposals of NZ Bridge.
- Richard Beauchamp will be asked if he is interested in sanding and re-varnishing the stools. To be reimbursed for expenses and a sheet of Bridge vouchers.
- Two new members were accepted as Members of Invercargill Contract Bridge Club:
Richard Michael HISHON
Jennifer WHITE

Moved: Y Hughes

Seconded: M Jackson

Carried

Promotions

The issue of some discontent regarding the silver reserve promotions at the end of the year was raised.

It was explained that the criteria has been in place for 10 years and displayed in the foyer. At least 3 times in recent years only one of a partnership had been offered promotion. It was pointed out that no complaint about the last decisions, or request for consideration of promotion has been received. It was agreed that the promotion of one and not the other pair's partner for the 2016 year end, was fair and within the current criteria.

There was further discussion about the various criteria changes over the years and methods other clubs used and whether both members of a pair should be promoted. The match committee were asked to review the current criteria and report back.

It was put to the committee that on the first Tuesday's play, a copy of the promotion criteria be given to each silver reserve member, by putting them on every table at the beginning of the night, so those interested know what they are working towards and it is clear for everyone.

Moved T Winters Seconded J Elton. Vote 10 for, 1 against **Carried**

The meeting was declared closed at 9.15pm

SIGNED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

DATE _____

Next Meeting 15 February