

Committee meeting of the Invercargill Contract Bridge Club Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2025 7.00pm.

## Minutes

### Present

Christine Dallas, Tony Winters, Janet Thomas, Jane Carroll, Grant Milne, Jan Brown, Janice Hodson, Lynn Darnill, Kate Ramsay, Fred Warnaar, Greg Buzzard, Judith Lawton

### Apologies Pauline Sutherland

### Matters arising from the Minutes:

Confirmation of Minutes of committee meeting 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025

**Moved** Lynn Darnill **Seconded** Fred Warnaar **Carried**.

### CORRESPONDENCE: *To be dealt with as read.*

#### **Inwards:**

● 19 Sept 25	Jack Stocken	on-line beginner classes
● 19 Sept 25	Anita Cloete	No Disciplinary action to be taken
● 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept 25	Marianne Frisby	New pairs format – total and absolute rubbish
● 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Crazy Domains	Free parking to now with crazy domains
● Sept 25	Prostate cancer	awareness month – have put notice in Men's
● 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Anne Barrowclough NZ Bridge	reminder to re-register as incorporated Society
● Sept	ICC	Notice of renewal of Manager's cert – Grant Milne
● 7 Oct. 25	NZ Bridge	Master points
● 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Counties Cleaning	Lux on its way
● 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Anne Wards	No objections to the pair's changes, thanks to committee
● 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Stats NZ	Annual enterprise survey to full in by 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 25
● 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Audiology South	Business has been acquired by Bloom Hearing Ltd
● 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Kiwi bank	term deposit confirmation
● 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	NZ Bridge	call for Nominations NZ Bridge board – sent to committee
● 14 Oct. 25	Otago Southland regional meeting	Junior winner, \$250 donation for teacher's conference
● 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Lou Smith	change of phone number
● 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	NZ Bridge	reminder levy's increasing next year
● 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Te Anau -	Twig date, 25 <sup>th</sup> July 26
● 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bridge NZ	Service booked in for Feb 26, earliest they can do it
● 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Evelyn Adamson – (post Box)	formal complaint

#### **Outwards:**

● 18 Sept 25	Tony Winters	All members - New pairs format 2026
● 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept 25	C Dallas	Lee Davies - Thank you email for tea towels
● 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	C Dallas	Jan Williams – sympathy e-mail
● 19 Sept 25	C Dallas	All members - AGM Notice
● 22nd Sept 25	Jan Brown	Marianne F acknowledgment of e-mail
● 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	C Dallas	Michael Mackway-Jones, - financials ready for review

- 25<sup>th</sup> Sept Jan Brown Anne Barrowclough – NZ Bridge
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct Tony Winters October newsletter
- 7<sup>th</sup> Oct Jan Brown BridgeNZ, dealing machine service
- 7<sup>th</sup> Oct C Dallas Greg, Anne, Moss, Marilyn – Master points
- 07 Oct C Dallas New Silver players, if they want to join the silver messenger page

### **Matters arising from Correspondence:**

Evelyn Adanson – followed up by Tony  
 Marianne Frisby – Tony to send e-mail

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

**Moved:** Grant Milne    **Seconded:** Fred Warnaar    **Carried.**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** Financial report tabled for 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025

### **Matters arising from Treasurer Report:**

Treasurer report accepted with Accounts Payable of \$2193.77 to be paid

**Moved:** C Dallas    **Seconded:** Kate Ramsay    **Carried.**

### **MATCH REPORT**

Minutes as tabled

Vote for starting Monday and Thursday at 7.15pm, Greg voted against

### **OTAGO/SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE UPDATE**

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

#### **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Property** – garden edging to be purchased – Judith/Grant
- **House** – Janice has 1<sup>st</sup> November in hand
- **Bar** – Karen Palmer Hall to renew licence
- **Masonic Lodge** – meeting in November to renew lease
- **Membership**
- **Computer:**
- **Concerns & Feedback**

- **Constitution Sub-committee – 2025 WIP – EXP 12 April 2026** – draft to be sent out 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct for any feedback, then to be put to the AGM for approval

#### **ACTION ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD:**

Action	Responsible	Update
Fire Drill	Grant	Next fire drill 03 December 2025.
Dealing Machine	Jan	Martin can do in Feb, will contact us with a date
Car Park	Judith	Has contacted ICC, waiting on a reply
Constitution	Greg/Jane/ Tony	Draft completed, to be sent out 23/10/25 for feedback before AGM
Next Year Programme	Match Committee Tony	Remove 8B tournament, e-mail to be sent to Otago Southland committee. Teams considering moving to a Wednesday
Tournaments	Greg	Charity 2026 – Jubilee Budget Advisory
Bridge Computer	Jane	Quote for new computer - WIP
Masons	Committee	Lease renewal – Nov 2025

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

It was decided to cancel the Post box, when the next invoice is due for payment, only mail we get now is from NZ Bridge, certificates. Will let Jill know for programme book

Prizegiving – Christine will order 200 pens

- **AGM – to do**
  - Sub increase to \$85
  - Constitution
  - Friday increase table fees to \$5, Moved Tony 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan

**Meeting concluded at 9pm pm      Next meeting Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

**SIGNED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD**

Signature: 

Date: 19/11/25

(Invercargill Bridge Club President)

**Match Committee Notes**  
**Monday, 20 October 2025, at 6.30 pm**

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

**Apologies:** -

**Saturday Foveaux Communications Tournament:**

Noted there had been a score change to Board 8, which ultimately changed the EW result – switching placings 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**2025 Programme Book:**

Discussed the layout. Agreed there should be no changes – the rules are to remain in the front part of the book.

**Format for 2025 Pairs:**

After discussing some options, the following format was proposed for adoption by the Committee:

1. Members may play any four of the first seven nights of bridge to qualify for the Pairs Trophy.
2. There is to be no “dropping of scores”. The average score across all nights played will be used.
3. Rules for series will not change, irrespective of these two series being used for qualification purposes.
4. There will be no carry-over following the qualifying rounds.
5. Those who do not play in the qualifying rounds will automatically play any bridge on those nights in the Plate competition.
6. The top 14 pairs will form the Trophy group.
7. Eight out of 11 nights will count in the competition round.

**Start Time for Monday Nights:**

Discussed this again, and there was some concern expressed that it keeps on coming back on the agenda, when some felt there was not a demand for change.

After discussion, it was agreed that there would be a call at this evening's bridge, for an indication of preference for start time, without committing to any change. Tony to do.

**Whitcombe & Tomb/Doris Hanan Series:**

Agreed to try and connect these two series in the programme for 2026.

Also agreed to try and connect the Swiss competitions in the programme for 2026.

**November 30:** Noted currently the programme has Teams for this night, but that competition has been finished. Proposed that this will therefore become a first night of holiday bridge for the 2025/6 year.

**Teams Format for 2026:**

No decisions taken on this until the entries are known. All are encouraged to promote Teams, and Tony urged all Match Committee members to pull a team together.

**Interclub Teams:**

Tony checked in to see if there was interest in this continuing. He was disappointed at the lack of numbers, but it was noted there could well be a second team from Invercargill next year. More promotion to occur, and to check in with other clubs to assess interest in it continuing.

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