

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THE INVERCARGILL
CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB**

Held in the clubrooms, 46 Elles Rd, Invercargill at 7.00pm on
Wednesday 20th September 2017

PRESENT: A Somerville, J Brown, J Elton, L Glover, T Winters, H Shepherd,
S Elton, M Jackson, Y Hughes, C Dallas, J Lawton

APOLOGIES: G Milne, J Brown attended and left at 8.10

MINUTES:

That the minutes of the meeting held 16th August 2017 be amended to correct the record about membership fees.

Moved: Tony Winters

Seconded: Christine Dallas

Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

It was agreed that membership status and fees would continue to be reviewed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

- Carol Scott – letter re help with gardening – Nola Cavanagh and Pat Tippen have offered to help. Two hours on Saturday 30th will be tried, dependant on weather.
- Evelyn Adamson – resignation – at Gore club now
- New member – Sheila Todd – wait two weeks
- New member – Donna Skoropada
- Karen Palmer-Hall – meat or other more substantial raffle prizes and she would spend more – noted. Different approaches being tried.
- Natalie and Ray Harpur – thank you card for get well card last month
- NZ Bridge – updated website user guide – forwarded to committee
- Spark – want 3 months free? Give them a call – not relevant
- Jane Stearns – RBM offer of support to clubs – noted Anne will continue to communicate with Jane Stearns regarding help that may be offered thought them to help attract and retain new members. Suzanne Pinckney, from the Winton Bridge Club is the RBM for Southland.
- NZ Bridge – minutes of board meeting re: funding of RBMs
- NZ Bridge – Email to say copies of 2017 annual report posted 11/9. Any attending delegates to take copy to AGM – discussed later in the meeting.
- Pianola – forwarded to match committee – Jan and others to meet rep Thursday 21^s
- Certificate of compliance for new stoves
- Babich NZ wide pairs – to be hosted at Winton this year
- Baden Wilson competition results available

Outwards:

- Flemming Jensen – get well card
- Sue and Fred – thank you letter re garage sale
- Eileen Hughes – re: table fees for Friday bridge – discussed later in the meeting.
- Jane Stearns – apology email for lack of response from RBM discussion
- Lorraine Oliver – get well card
- Maureen Forde's family – sympathy card
- Martin & Lobb – thank you plus invoice

Inwards correspondence received outwards correspondence approved:

Moved: Tony Winters

Seconded: Jan Brown

Carried

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

A financial report for the period ended 31st August 2017 was tabled for the meeting. That the accounts of \$4060.18 as presented be approved for payment, and the financial report adopted.

Moved: Christine Dallas

Seconded: Tony Winters

Carried

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bar: None

Property: None

House:

It was agreed that money left over from garage sale would be used to replace some of the table cloths and foam underlay in the playing room.

Match:

Retention of learners - with mentoring as one possible avenue to consider. It was agreed that the committee would research possible modus operandi to achieve this goal.

Discussion around the lack of commitment for the Learner's Anniversary pairs on Thursday nights. Jan had personally spoken to all the learners and matched up those she could with senior players, but there was little enthusiasm from many. Should we consider a different format for Tuesday nights to cater more for learners entering the club room without being last each week? Handicapping was one suggestion. Should the learner's Anniversary Pairs be held on Tuesday nights? More discussion is needed around this.

Friday Bridge: Junior rules apply as per meeting decision in May 2012

Yvonne read out a decision made by the committee in July 2016 where it was agreed that when Winton was hosted for the annual Friday Social bridge competition, table fees would be waived for all players. As this happened on this occasion, no change was required. It was agreed that this item should be highlighted to the incoming committee to ask them to resolve.

Membership fees: It was moved that we have a class of temporary membership at the discretion of the committee at the rate of \$7 a month. This membership would be in addition to table fees which are still required to be paid on each occasion.

Moved: Tony Winters

Seconded: Jeff Elton For 10 / Against 1

Carried

Action items carried forward:

Action	Responsible	Update
Heating research	Lindsay	To get third quote for ht pumps
Quotes	Grant	Internal auto doors Car park lights
Lindsay Trophy history	Judith	Will write a note to go with trophy
Rule books	Anne	To buy 20 from Sydney
Pianola	Jan	To report back after her meeting with them
Regional Bridge Mates	Anne	Further discussion with Jane Stearns and RBM

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Delegate for NZ Bridge AGM: Tony Winters will attend.

Moved: Lindsay Glover

Seconded: Yvonne Hughes

Carried

Membership fees: This needs further review. Further work needs to be done on confirming what current fees are, and considering whether there is a need for any changes, in time for the AGM.

Rule Books: It was proposed that Anne purchases 20 x 2017 rule books from Sydney. The club will reimburse this purchase.

Moved: Marilyn Jackson

Seconded: Tony Winters

Carried

SIGNED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

Signature: _____ DATE: _____