

MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAMARU BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED
HELD AT CLUBROOMS STEWARD STREET OAMARU
12 October 2022 at 7pm

PRESENT:

Junelle Edmonds	Liz Drew ¹	Alison Brown	Theo Jordens	
Doug Appleby	Lyn Dunlop	Julia Knight	Peter Simpson	
Louise Whitelock				

1. Apologies

Graham Mills and Peter McLellan.

Moved: AB Seconded: DA - carried.

2. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of 14 Sep 2022 were circulated.

Moved: DA Seconded: LW - carried.

3. Matters Arising

2023 Sponsorship

JE advised that she has contacted the Oamaru Licensing Trust and is about to lodge an application with New World. JE will also follow up with Driving Miss Daisy. GM to report at the next meeting his actions re sponsorship.

4. Correspondence

AB noted that Jan Davidson had responded 12 Oct confirming she will teach the 2023 lessons.

With this addition the correspondence was accepted.

Moved: AB Seconded: TJ – carried

5. Treasurer's Report

In the absence of GM the finance report was circulated. TJ noted an additional payment due to St John's (\$99) for defibrillator pads which was added to the payments for authorisation.

The finance report was accepted and the accounts/invoices presented for ratification and authorisation were approved.

Moved: TJ Seconded: LynD - carried.

6. XClub

JE noted that she will try publishing results on BridgeScorer this Friday which uses the same programme as the Scorer programme which should make it relatively easy to do. The benefits of

¹ Liz Drew abbreviated to LD; Lyn Dunlop to LynD

using this website for our results is to allow more than one way for members to access their results. We will continue to keep XClub in mind.

7. Learners, Continuing Education and Directors

It was noted that Jan Davidson has agreed to take the learners' lessons for 2023 and the Educational Subcommittee (LW/JE) will contact her to work out the best format for the lessons. The subcommittee will also make the best possible use of Sonya Adams (NZ Bridgemate) to boost learner numbers.

8. Bronze Champ Pairs

After discussion it was agreed that the recommendation put forward re promotion rights (from Bronze to Silver) in relation to the Bronze Champ Pairs be accepted so that:

- the right of automatic promotion for winning the Bronze Champ pairs is removed
- promotion for a Bronze player will be solely on the existing criteria
- the restrictions on who can win, or how many times they can win, the Bronze Champ pairs are removed

So for promotion from Bronze to Silver the criteria will be as follows:

Promotion to Silver Criteria

Bronze players must have over the whole year (Monday nights only):

- (i) achieved an average score of 55.00 or more as worked out by the Scorer Programme; and*
- (ii) played on at least 10 nights (excluding Teams competitions); and*
- (iii) played with 5 or more different partners.*

The reasoning for the change is that this is the simplest way of ensuring that Bronze players who go up to Silver have reached the required standard of play is for the same rules to apply to all.

The change to the rules takes effect from 2023 and will be communicated to members through the Newsletter and Programme book.

Moved: DA Seconded: TJ - carried.

9. Subs 2023 and Table Money

The finance report and the current deficit, around \$6,000, were discussed. The reasons for the deficit were canvassed being mainly numbers, and sessions played, being down because of Covid restrictions. The options open to the Club to bridge this gap were carefully considered. It was noted that numbers are now picking up and it is hoped that numbers will improve back to where they were pre-Covid. On that basis we can carry part of the deficit anticipating that things will even out during the course of next year.

After discussion it was agreed that the Committee would recommend to the AGM an increase in the subs from \$80 to \$100 (\$57 to \$77 for non home members), noting that the subs were actually reduced to the current \$80 some time ago, but that there should not be an increase in table money or bar prices at this stage. A close eye will be kept on the finances and if they do not improve next year it was noted that it may be necessary to revisit whether or not to raise bar prices.

Moved: LynD Seconded: TJ - carried.

10. Maintenance

11. 2023 Programme

TJ, AB and LW to be tasked to finalise the Programme for 2023. It was agreed that the wine and cheese evening be a combined Bronze/Silver event in Jan 2023.

General Business

- A further discussion of what bidding should be allowed on Fridays was had and it was agreed that all bidding should be as simple as possible and at a basic ACOL level and generally in line with the System Card for ACOL learners. If in doubt a player should discuss the issue with the director who can rule whether the bid is permissible for Friday play
- It was agreed that the Riding for the Disabled should have their tournament in May 2023 and the fundraiser should occur in Sep 2023

Next meeting 9 Nov 2022 at 7pm

Signed as true and correct:



Junelle Edmonds
President

Dated: 9 Nov 2022