

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAMARU BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED

### HELD AT CLUBROOMS STEWARD STREET OAMARU

14 August 2024 at 7pm

#### PRESENT:

Liz Drew <sup>1</sup>	Margie Baird		Graham Mills	Alison Brown
Theo Jordens				Peter Simpson
	Louise Whitelock			

#### 1. Apologies

Lyn Dunlop, Junelle Edmonds, Peter McLellan and Louise Whitelock.

Moved: GM Seconded: PS- carried.

#### 2. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of 10 July 2024 were circulated.

Moved: MB Seconded: GM- carried.

#### 3. Matters Arising

##### *Health and Safety*

TJ noted that the tables in the main room need to be laid out further away from the bar area to avoid congestion. GM suggested that the fire alarm in the kitchen should be a heat one rather than a smoke one - he will follow up with DvB.

##### *Contribution to Interprovincial Competition*

LD noted that New Zealand Bridge has made a contribution to each of the provinces for this competition. Otago/Southland has decided to contribute \$150 to each player representing the region. Discussion was deferred to later in the meeting.

##### *Renewal of Club Liquor Licence*

AB noted the renewal of the licence has now been granted.

##### *Revised Constitution*

AB noted the sub-committee has sent around its recommendations but suggested that further discussion be deferred until all Committee members could be present. She asked that the Committee take the time to read the new draft Constitution and come with focussed questions. The matter was carried over to the next meeting.

##### *Updating of Dummies Guide to Oamaru Bridge Club*

AB noted that this is now completed and it was agreed that a pdf file be kept on the Club computer and copies can be printed off as required.

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<sup>1</sup> Liz Drew abbreviated to LD; Lyn Dunlop to LynD

#### *90th Photo and Supper*

LD advised that this has been set down for Friday 6 September. Play will run through without a break followed by a high tea. Members will be asked to bring a plate and Lynda Clarke will make a cake.

#### *Working Bee*

LD advised that this has been set down for Saturday 23 November and that she is compiling a list of tasks.

#### *Club Captain*

Item to be carried forward.

#### *Fish and Chip Evening (9 August)*

The Committee extended its thanks to Peter Mountain for organising this evening.

### **4. Correspondence**

Moved: AB Seconded: GM- carried.

### **5. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer circulated his report along with the accounts to be approved and ratified. GM noted that the rates bill had increased by around \$330 for the forthcoming year and that we are seeing other price increases which are putting continued pressure on the Club's financial position. He noted he will be recommending that the subs be raised for next year both to cover the increase in the NZB levy and an additional amount to sustain the Club.

In light of the above the financial contribution to be made to members representing the Otago/Southland region was discussed and finalised at \$100 per player (total \$300). It was noted that it is unlikely given current financial trends that the Club will be able to make similar contributions in the future.

The report and the accounts/invoices for ratification and authorisation and the contribution to players (as per the above) were approved.

Moved: GM Seconded: AB- carried.

GM also noted his forthcoming absences and advised that he has set up the pays for the cleaner and the required returns to the IRD.

AB to attempt to action the change of email address and cancellation of the email account with Spark.

### **6. Learners, Continuing Education and Directors**

MB noted that 18 of the learners are playing regularly on a Monday night and that support is continuing to be provided to the learners by way of refresher lessons. She noted that the Committee needs to carefully look at the charge for the learners' lessons to ensure that our costs are being recouped.