MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAMARU BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED HELD AT CLUBROOMS STEWARD STREET OAMARU 16 October 2024 at 7pm

PRESENT:

Liz Drew ¹	Margie Baird	Junelle Edmonds	Graham Mills	Alison Brówn
Theo Jordens		Lyn Dunlop	Peter McLellan	Peter Simpson
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1. Apologies

Bev Conlan.

Moved: GM Seconded: TJ - carried.

2. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of 11 September 2024 were circulated.

Moved: LynD Seconded: AB- carried.

3. Matters Arising

Health and Safety

No matters were raised.

Working Bee

Working Bee is start 10am on Saturday 23 November. A list to go up for people to indicate interest.

Charge for Learners Lessons

MB advised that after looking at the costs for the learners lessons her recommendation was that the fee should remain unchanged at \$50 for the lessons followed by the \$25 sub for the remainder of the year the learners join in. The recommendation was accepted by the Committee.

Improvers Lessons

MB is aiming to have a refresher lesson for learners and Bronze players on 15 Jan 2025. Lessons for improvers likely to start March and may use John Sheehy and Shirley Newton, depending on timings.

Friday Competitions

The letter from D. Appleby was discussed. This raised issues around ineligible partnerships earning C points in Friday competitions. C points are generated automatically from the results in Scorer. To change them requires individual requests to the Secretary of New Zealand Bridge on each occasion a change is wanted. This is clearly time consuming and impractical.

After discussion it was agreed that players would be encouraged to play in accordance with the rules for a particular competition. If an "incorrect" partnership turns up to play, as well as obviously being ineligible for that particular competition (as is already the case), the players will be required to enter a dummy number into the tablet. This will mean that they will not receive any C points against their

¹ Liz Drew abbreviated to LD; Lyn Dunlop to LynD

actual number. Directors will need to allocate a series of dummy numbers as required at each session.

Bar Manager

PMcL advised he had spoken to J. Knight who will remain as the titular Bar Manager until her licence expires in October 2025. He will take over the buying duties in the New Year and will arrange to have his licence issued prior to the expiry of J. Knight's.

Facebook Page

JE confirmed it has been deleted.

Stop Cards

The feedback received was to dispense with the Stop cards. It was agreed to remove the Stop cards from the tables.

Moved: MB Seconded: LW- carried.

4. Correspondence

AB noted a letter from W. Hollows in her in-tray relating to promotion to Silver. It was agreed that this should be deferred until the November meeting where promotions are on the agenda. She also noted the thank you card from Age Concern/Driving Miss Daisy noting the \$1795 raised from the Club's tournament.

Moved: AB Seconded: JE- carried.

5. Treasurer's Report

GM presented his financial reports and the accounts for authorisation and ratification. He noted that there would be some minor adjustments following the stocktake of the bar on the weekend but the net profit for the year would be around \$3,700. This needed to be placed in the context of losses from previous years as well as known increases to rates, insurance and power charges for the forthcoming year.

It was also agreed that the examiner should be paid \$150 for his examination of the accounts.

Moved: GM Seconded: AB- carried.

The Treasurer then moved to his recommendations for table money and subs for 2025. He noted that the NZB player levy will increase from \$23 to \$27.60 for the 2025 year and will increase again for the 2026 year to \$32.20. He therefore recommended that 2025 subs be increased from the current \$100 to \$110 (and non home members from \$77 to \$87) to accommodate the NZB player levy increase and to provide a small additional margin to meet our anticipated increased costs for 2025. Table money to remain unchanged at \$4 per session.

After discussion the recommendations for 2025 subs and table money were accepted for putting to the AGM.

Moved: GM Seconded: TJ- carried.

6. Learners, Continuing Education and Directors

No further items were noted.

7. Maintenance

DvB to spray the weeds around the building.

General Business

• Issues around lack of change for table money were raised

Next meeting -13 November at 7pm

Signed as true and correct:

President

Dated: 13 November 2024