

MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAMARU BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED
HELD AT CLUBROOMS STEWARD STREET OAMARU
14 May 2025 at 7pm

PRESENT:

Margie Baird		Liz Drew	Graham Mills	Alison Brown
Bev Conlan	Junelle Edmonds	Theo Jordens	Clare Newlands	Derick van Basten
Jane Windle				

1. Apologies

None.

CN noted her advance apologies for the June and July meetings and GM likewise for the June meeting.

2. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of 9 April 2025 were circulated.

Moved: LD Seconded: CN - carried.

3. Matters Arising

New Zealand Bridge Foundation Grants (MB)

Item to be carried forward to the next meeting.

Health and Safety

No specific matters were raised.

4. Correspondence

Moved: TJ Seconded: MB - carried.

5. Finances - Treasurer's Report

GM advised that the insurance premium renewals are \$4,489.36 based on the revaluation. This is an approximate \$200 increase over last year's rates.

GM noted the appointment of a new cleaner – Dawn Hill – and that as she is under 65 the Club will need to pay into KiwiSaver on top of her wage increasing our costs.

He added the insurance premium payment of \$4,489.36; reimbursement of \$132 to JW for prizes for *Mid South Island Teams tournament* and \$30 to LD for *chocolate fish*. The accounts/invoices so amended and presented for ratification and authorisation were approved.

Moved: TJ Seconded: CN - carried.

6. Learners, Continuing Education, and Directors

MB noted that the learners classes are averaging around 16 and Friday additional practices are continuing.

7. Maintenance

DvB advised he has fumigated downstairs; sprayed weeds around the building; and fixed the problem with the sensor in the men's toilets.

With respect to the water pooling at the southwest end of the building he is now exploring the theory that it may be water coming down the side of the building and moving through cracked asphalt.

He is to replace the burnt out lights in the toilets and arrange for the fire extinguisher to be checked and relocated if thought necessary. He noted that he has checked the defibrillator.

8. Mid South Island Teams Tournament

The Committee went into committee for the discussion on choosing the Club's teams for this competition.

Moved: TJ Seconded: JE - carried.

The Committee came out of committee.

Moved: TJ Seconded: AB - carried.

It was agreed that the following teams would represent the Club:

Open: Francis Sheehy and Peter Mountain; Jane Windle and Dennis Norman
Intermediate: Kerry Kelly and Blair Corlet; Alison Brown and Junelle Edmonds
Junior: Gail Duffy and Carolina Fontona; Sally and Wayne Grant

9. Administrator Access to NZB for the Oamaru Bridge Club

It was agreed that JW and TJ should be the administrators for the Club in respect of NZB. AB to advise the NZB Secretary of the same.

Moved: MB Seconded: GM - carried.

10. Testing of Different Packs of Cards

DvB advised that he had trialled a variety of cards during one Friday session. He noted that he had purchased these cards from Temu much more cheaply than they are sold by Bridge New Zealand. It was agreed that the preferred cards be put into circulation to judge how well they wear over time.

11. Dealing Machine

MB raised concerns that the dealing machine may be being used for other than club purposes. It was agreed that members should be reminded that use of any club property for non club purposes requires prior permission.

12. Computer

After discussion it was agreed that JE to look into any possible grants for the purchase of a new computer and router.

13. Heating

MB advised that, aided by Darrell Sidon and to whom the Committee gives its thanks, a good deal of time has been spent looking into the appropriate level of heating for the main playing room and how to achieve this.

The following settings have been settled on for the current period (autumn):

- The floor heaters are set to 23C and to come on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 5.15pm to 10.30pm. On Fridays they are set to 11.30am to 4.45pm
- The floor heaters also are set to run for 30 minutes Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays
- The wall heaters are on the timer to run for an hour and will be turned on by the director on his or her arrival. These heaters are intended to act as a short term boost and not to run all the time through play
- Fans to be turned on at beginning of play to circulate heated air

General Business

A number of minor items were discussed.

Next meeting – 11 Jun 2025

Signed as true and correct:



Margie Baird
President

Dated: 11 Jun 2025

