

(Unconfirmed) Minutes of the Meeting of the Taieri Bridge Club Committee held at the Clubrooms at 7.30 pm on 11 December 2012

Present: Donna Ruwhiu, Christine Samson, Frank Gradon, Ryan Sonntag, Jenny Magee, Pam Wood, Val Wilson, Judy Robertson

Apologies: Glennys Fuller, Rosalie Douglas.

At this point, the question of the immediate past president's position was discussed. It was agreed that the person in this position (Christine Kerr) remained on the committee until a new president is appointed.

Minutes of meeting of 9th October, 2012

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

Val Wilson/Judy Robertson

Matters arising

Backing up our computers - Donna advised of a system (Carbonite) costing US\$58 which would do this daily. It would mean the computers would need to stay turned on. It was agreed that we try this system. Donna to attend to. We will need to consider updating the present security of our computers.

Flash cards for directors – Donna advised Kristen was reviewing and updating these. We may be able to get these later next year.

Special meeting held 7 November 2012 (minutes attached)

A complaint was made about the behaviour of Norton Moise, a visitor from the Otago Club, on Saturday 3 November. At the meeting the committee unanimously agreed that he be banned permanently from our club and this was conveyed to the president of the Otago Club. Following on from this, concern has been expressed regarding the permanency of the ban. Donna suggested that provided Norton sent a written apology, the ban would be limited to 6 months. The committee agreed to this.

Correspondence

Inwards

Snail Mail

Letter dated 2 Oct from David and Dorothea Stewart requesting they remain country members of Taieri (they have moved to Queenstown.) This was agreed.

Resignation from Elma McRobbie dated 5 November -accepted

Email

Several tournament notices (all up on notice board)
Canterbury Website now up and running

Various emails regarding the printing of the programme
NZBridge Sept Quarter Master Points
Updated 2013 tournament schedule (no change
needed to our programme)
NZ Bridge Qualified Directors
Various membership emails to Baukje
Babich World Wide Pairs Results
Minutes NZ Bridge 5 November 2012
December newsletter
Suse Kearns – Norton Moise complaint
Lyn Hellyer -change of address
Powershop
Vodafone
Ricoh Photocopier
Otago Southland Regional Committee
Junior League Rules
Junior League Form
Additional tournament 2013
Results Intermediates / Juniors 2012
Director Training 2013
IP Trial rules and conditions 2013
Rubber Bridge notice
December Newsletter
Bridge Teaching Conference -23 February

Outwards

Email to Nina Hewitt Advising of Norton Moises ban cc Norton
Email to Suze Kearns in response to email about Norton
Email to Ricoh advising of reading

The inwards mail was accepted and the Outwards mail approved
Gradon/Ruwhiu

Treasurer's Report

Report for the previous 2 months was presented by the Treasurer.
(copy attached)

Cheque Account balance - \$ 2,472.45

Total Investments - \$ 32,948.94

Judy advised 2 further "accounts to pay" – Powershop \$283.70 and
Pens (several years supply for prizes) \$552.00. She also advised that
the purchase of 5 Dozen glasses did not include the cost of
engraving.

The report with it's recommendations was adopted.
Robertson/Wilson

Committee Reports

Building – a working bee was organised to tidy up the garden

Equipment – nothing to report

Library - nothing to report

Membership - application received from Dianne Carruthers . Approved. Secretary to issue letter together with subscription.

Baukje has agreed to continue as membership secretary for the 2013 year. Jenny to learn.

General Business

Booklet prepared by Frank, the first 40 years of the club.

Frank has advised Donna that he has had 5 quotes for the printing of this booklet. Two are round \$2000 and three are round \$1000 (all excluding GST and freight). The quote is for 200 booklets. Donna suggested that the club pay for materials, labour, binding, etc. She has been asking round, and thinks she can get the cost down to something like \$500/600. Donna will get a copy made up and present it at the February meeting, when it can be discussed further. Frank moved (seconded by Ryan) that Donna's suggestion be taken up, and this was agreed.

Increase in table money

This was raised at the AGM. Our table money has been \$3 for many years. In the meantime costs have continued to go up. In particular recently, electricity, insurance and C-points costs have gone up substantially. Frank had done some costings and calculated that present table money a session (on average) was \$96. Costs were \$67 a session not including insurance and other overheads. After some discussion, Judy moved that the table money be increased from 1 February 2013 to \$4. This motion was seconded by Val and agreed by the rest of the committee.

Increase in hire charges

As part of the above discussion, the committee agreed that hire charges for the clubrooms should be increased to \$60 a session applying from 1 February 2013. Secretary to write to the 3 Probus clubs and advise them of increase.

Update regarding the 40th anniversary celebrations

Nancy Hawker has spoken with Blackie (Mosgiel Railway Station Restaurant) and confirmed him as caterer. However, the cost has increased to \$37 a head. The committee agreed that the subsidy remain at \$10 and the cost to the members will now be \$25. Christine S requested that the secretary send letters to Robert Cowan and Michelle Kerr thanking them for their quotes and advising them we will not be requiring their services this time.

Committee meal

The committee agreed this would be a good idea and an opportunity to try the Railway Station. It was agreed sometime in Jan/Feb –probably a Sunday (partners welcome).

Cleaning clubrooms

Donna said she would arrange the persons to do this. The club will supply the equipment. Cost will be less than \$200. To be carried out prior to 12 January when bridge sessions start again.

Monday prize giving

Ryan raised the question of having a separate prize giving for Monday night attendees. It was decided to look at this again later next year.

Duties and Responsibilities for 2013

Refer attached for details. Points of note:

- Pam Wood will be responsible for the sending of condolence, get well and other cards.
- Donna to check with Rosemary Pickersgill (kitchen and certain purchases) and Jean Young (bar) and ask if they will continue with these duties. Also Donna to ask Rosalie if she will look after the library.
- Newsletter editor- Kaye will continue for a short while but we need to find someone else to take on this responsibility.
- Lessons – Christine S volunteered to be back-up to Frank with this job. Donna suggested Christine attend the teaching seminar in February to be held at the Otago club. (the point was raised that the new members from this year were still using their notes at the bridge table. Frank to inform them not to do this in future)
- Handicapping – to be done by Frank, Ryan and a co-opted member(one of those who had expressed dissatisfaction with the handicaps)

Donna

- Advised she would organise training next year on BridgePad for Pam, Judy, Val and any others interested
- Two other issues she wanted to concentrate on are directing/directors and funding/grants.

Meeting closed about 9.50 pm

Minutes written by Christine Samson