

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE TAIERI BRIDGE CLUB HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS AT 7.00 ON TUESDAY 11th NOVEMBER , 2014.

Present: Barbara Wilkes, Val Wilson, Jenny Magee, Bob Gillanders, Pam Wood, Judy Robertson, Judith Smeijers

Apologies: Christine Samson, Ryan Sonntag, Donna Ruwhiu

Minutes of Meeting of
14th October 2014:

Confirmed as a true and correct record by Judy , seconded by Pam.

Matters arising:

Microsoft Office - has been installed

Barbara has been rung by Frances Sheehy for numbers on those attending Regional meeting next weekend. Has Kaye Wilson been asked yet to attend on our behalf? Frances thought we should have more than just her attending. No-one is going to attend. *Meeting has been called off.*

One substitute for some competitions is now noted in 2015 programme.

Correspondence:

Inwards

Snail Mail

Email:

Canterbury Regional Bridge Committee – flyer for South Island Teams 20A tournament on 14th and 15th Feb, entries close 6th Feb. (rec'd 11/10/14)

Alexandra Bridge Club - request to change our tournament date from 14th March to 21st March (rec'd 10/11/14). *Have emailed them to confirm it is too late to swap as our programme book is at printers.*

NZ Babich Wine winners (no-one from the South Island – rec'd 10/11/14).

East Otago Club – request for our Charity Tournament dates to put in their programme book – (rec'd 10/11/2014). *Val to supply dates.*

NZ Bridge – withdrawal of support for AutoDealer 3 Dealing Machines = does this apply to us? (Rec'd 3/11/2014). *Yes this does apply to us. No parts available from mid year. Will look at having our machine serviced – could look at funding for future needs next year. May look at getting a quote next year if funding to be applied for.*

NZ Bridge – Agenda for Otago Southland Regional Committee – (rec'd 2/11/14).

NZ Bridge – Board meeting minutes 20th Oct – (rec'd 2/11/14)

Wellington Bridge Club – Flyer for Open 3A Tournament on 22/11/14, entries close 19/11/14. (rec'd 2/11/14)

NZ Bridge – Board meeting minutes 24/08 – (rec'd 02/11/14)

NZ Bridge – list of qualified directors – (rec'd 2/11/14)

Invercargill Bridge Club – entry form for Swiss Pairs on 22/11/14, entries close 18/11/14 – (rec'd 2/11/14).

Reply from NZ Bridge re changing our tournaments. Answer was as follows:
"A club is entitled to hold 1 8B event so there would be an issue I think in down grading the 5a to an 8B. As an alternative you could look at changing to a 3A which has the same Board requirement of an 8B. You would need to run any requests by the Regional Committee too." Decided to leave our tournament as is.

Christchurch Bridge Club – flyer for Canterbury Region Charity Pairs on 23/11/14, entries close 19/11/14. (rec'd 20/10/14)

NZ Bridge – list of new Grand Masters – (rec'd 20/10/14)

NZ Bridge – list of Baden Wilson, Ranks, and Top 100 Masterpoint Earners Reports – (rec'd 20/10/14)

Waitemata Bridge Club – Flyer for 8B Restricted Tournament on 22/11/14, (rec'd 20/10/14).

Outwards:

Letters of acceptance for new members to Noeline Adams and Iris Faulkner .

Letter to Shaw's Plumber thanking them for their quote.

The inwards correspondence was acknowledged: Moved by Barbara, seconded by Pam.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report is attached.

Cheque Account balance - \$11,056.90

Total Investments - \$40,810.05

Our term deposit has rolled over for 3 month period at best rate.

Reimbursements were agreed by committee for ensuing year.

Babich Wines gave us a profit of about \$300.00.

The report with its recommendations was adopted.

Moved by Judy, seconded by Barbara.

Committee Reports:

Building

Toilets – work starting this week – hoping to only take a couple of days.

Workbee – still to be organised.

Lights in back office have been fixed.

Bar

Equipment

Checking if any purchases are required. Will need to check prizes, cups and glasses for prize giving.

Library

Cards Sent

Card sent to Kristin Collins

Membership

All computing aspects of membership are up to date.

Programme

Labour Day fun night – 40 people attended. Food was really enjoyed and good to see not too much food left over at the end.

The 2015 Programme book is now at the printers.

General Business

Community Expo – Thursday 30th October. Had a reasonable amount of interest. Thanks to the 8 people that helped. Would like to follow up next year.

The Theme for Xmas party is “Dress to impress!!” Members to bring a plate.

There was discussion on how to promote the club. Suggestions included:

- Mail drop but felt this was a lot of work for not much result.
- Advertising in Taieri News.
- Have feature in paper to show support for Cancer Society from our tournament.
- Have an Open Day at the start of the year – where people could drop into the club rooms – perhaps on a Sunday.
- Advertise that people could come and sit it and watch some hands on a Monday night.
- Check to see if we could set up a table inside New World and see if we can attract people.
- Approach RSA possibly with same idea of having people playing bridge at a table.
- Would need to have a sign made up.

Christine Samson is interested in taking bridge lessons next year.

Directing and setting up the computer for start of play – some people were interested from the AGM. Will look at having a night of instruction on Tuesday 27th January – running both sessions at same time. Need to have expressions of interest.

There has been a suggestion that we could benefit from being a Charitable Trust – Val to investigate.

It has been noticed that the water is draining slowly from the dishwasher and sink. This could be attended to by plumbers when they are fixing up our bathroom.

Trellis is broken at front entrance.

Taieri Bridge Sign is looking run down – need repairs done to it.

Vice President position to remain unfilled.

Please remind me members to treat all others courteously – especially newer members – so that we actively encourage them to want to come back.

Meeting closed at 7.55p.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th January 2015 at 7 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

November 2014

Account Balances

Cheque account opening balance..... 10,456.06

Cheque account closing balance..... 11,056.90

Investments

Simple Saver..... 7,768.07

Westpac Term deposit..... 21,038.33

Heartland Investment..... 12,003.65

Total..... 40,810.05

Accounts to Pay

J Elfield (cleaner)..... 112.70

IRD (PAYE)..... 27.30

Mercury Energy DD..... 293.82

Vodafone..... 79.54

RICOH DD..... 46.00

Officemax stationery..... 8.74

Total..... 568.10

Westpac Term Deposit of \$21,225.08 will be reinvested at best rates for 3 months.