

Minutes of the meeting of the Taieri Bridge Club Committee held at the Clubrooms at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 11 June, 2013

Present: Donna Ruwhiu, Val Wilson, Ryan Sonntag, Christine Samson, Jenny Magee, Pam Wood

Apologies: Judy Robertson

Absent: Christine Kerr, Glennys Fuller (see under correspondence below), Frank Gradon (see below)

Minutes of meeting of 14 May 2013

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

Val/Ryan

Matters arising

Back ups for Computer

Donna advised that we have paid for the Carbonite back-up system until January 2014. She also advised the annual cost is around \$70 which she did not consider was great. An issue for the incoming committee to consider whether to continue with Carbonite.

Barpersons Licences – Donna is following up that the manuals, etc will be sent to us.

Follow-up by Glennys of members not coming to bridge

Donna unsure what progress made by Glennys in this respect. Seems to be a bit of a fizzer.

Correspondence

Inwards

Snail Mail

Resignation from committee Frank effective 26 May – discussed under “general business”

Resignation from committee Glennys effective 14 May – see under “general business”

Molly Fulton – Letter of thanks for 40th

Resignation from club – Trudy Woodhead

Email

June Newsletter from Mike

Vodafone Bill

List of updated directors NZ Bridge

Closing date reminder IP – OS Bridge

Examination for Directors

Further clarification of 1NT overcall

Outwards

General Claim form sent to JLT insurers (re bar cooler)

Pam advised she had sent a condolence card to Ruby Marshall

The inwards correspondence was acknowledged and the outwards approved.
Donna/Christine

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report is attached.

Cheque Account balance -	\$ 4,709.58
Total Investments	\$37,797.25

Accounts to pay	\$1,419.85
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Val raised a query regarding Powershop and what our position is in this regard (as Powershop was the initiative of Glennys). The general consensus was that we revert to one of the main suppliers. Donna will investigate further.

The report with its recommendations was adopted.
Donna/Christine

Committee Reports

Building

Nothing to report

Bar

Alec Weavers has agreed to sit the bar managers licence

Equipment

Jenny discussed getting paper for the personal score cards and the type of pencils she was replacing the old ones with. She will check on photocopying paper on hand.

Library

Nothing to report

Membership

Resignation of Trudy Woodhead received and accepted.
Christine mentioned that the DScene article (Taieri Edition 22 May 2013) had elicited three potential new members.

General Business

Rating of the May 5A Tournament - Donna thought we should consider changing the A point rating for 2014. The number of tables we had for this tournament is not high and we may be better to lower the rating to attract more attendees. Donna will find out more about changing.

Tournament July 27th - tournament notices to be sent out. Barbara Cowie has volunteered to phone members to encourage them to enter the tournament. She will also arrange partners, if any required.

Secretary position – with Glennys's resignation, a new secretary is required. A couple of names have been suggested. These folk will be contacted (by Donna and Christine). The point was raised that we did not actually have a written resignation, and it was considered that we should get this.

Frank's resignation – the question was raised whether a new committee member was required. According to the Club's rules "...The committee shall consist of....a maximum of six general committee members." As there is no

minimum number specified, it is not an absolute requirement that a new committee member be appointed.

Probus use of clubrooms – it has been pointed out that Probus membership is up to 140 and the limit as advised by the fire department is 120. Jenny thought that the Probus clubs were aware and were taking steps to ensure member attendance numbers were limited. However, it was decided that a letter should still be sent reminding them of the fire limitations. Christine suggested that we should send an annual letter to organisations renting the premises, setting out the conditions of hire. Donna will draft a letter.

40th celebration – Donna thanked the committee for their assistance with the successful completion of the day. Several verbal congratulations have been received and also Molly Fulton's written letter. The estimated final costs are well within the budget approved by the committee. Donna will prepare a breakdown of costs for the next meeting.

Fun night raffle – the Queen's Birthday fun night was successful as usual. Thanks again to Pam for her generous donation of the raffle.

Sponsorship and other fundraising activities – Donna mentioned that she had approached Countdown to sponsor one of our tournaments. This was not dismissed by them and is to be followed up at a later stage.

Donna also advised in regard to Cadburys, that applications can be made to them at the beginning of the year for:

- donations of chocolate for our charity tournaments
- the opportunity to receive their carpark profits for a Saturday. Requires 2 or 3 persons to man the carpark from 7am to 12.

Another matter for the incoming committee to consider.

Flag 500 – it was mentioned that this event was popular last year and raised a good amount of money. Donna will ask Judy and Jean if they are prepared to organise again this year.

Seating rights list – it was raised that this requires updating. Donna will do this. The general consensus was that persons requiring seating or moving rights should continue to apply to the committee in writing.

Meeting closed at 8.35 pm

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 July 2013.

Minutes written by Christine Samson in the absence of a secretary.