

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE TAIERI BRIDGE CLUB HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS AT 7.30 ON TUESDAY
8TH OCTOBER, 2013.

Present: Barbara Wilkes, Val Wilson, Ryan Sonntag, Jenny Magee, Christine Samson,
Pam Wood

Apologies: Judy Robertson, Donna Ruwhiu

Absent: Christine Kerr

**Minutes of meeting of
09 Sept 2013:**

Correction – Graded Tournament not Cancer Tournament that didn't have
results forwarded to National Office.

Ruby Marshall paid fees after minutes typed.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

Ryan/Pam

Matters arising:

Update on advertisers for 2014 Programme Book – Shaws going to reduce
to ½ page. Val to check with Campbell & Sons Funeral Directors to see if
they are interested in advertising. Could also look at dentists, vets.

Water taps - now installed by John Livingstone – no price available yet but
quote was for \$300 plus GST.

Correspondence:

Inwards

Snail Mail

Ricoh – introducing new minimum cost of \$40 + GST per month. Barbara to
find out more information about photocopier (replacement cost, who puts
in toner etc).

Email:

Otago Southland Provincial Pairs Championship flyer for 27/10/13 (rec'd
24/09).

Proposed increase in NZ Bridge Levy & Tournament Session fees – facing
operating deficit of \$53K for 2nd year in a row partially due to decreasing
membership numbers. Membership levy to increase \$4 resulting in extra
\$53K income and tournament session fees up \$0.50. (Rec'd 23/09).

West Otago Annual Social Tournament on Sun 20/10/13. (Rec'd 23/09)

Minutes of NZ Bridge Board meeting 02/09 – (rec'd 23/09)

Napier Bridge Club 10A Open Pairs Tournament Sat/Sun 9th/10th Nov. (Rec'd
23/09)

Email from Alec Weaver saying that he has written to National Secretary as
master points have not been updated since June. (rec'd 23/09). Need to
find out how often C points are updated. To be mentioned in newsletter

than any concerns members have should be directed to a committee member first.

New Grand Masters update Sept – (Rec'd 23/09)

Bridge Teachers Conference – Christchurch – 1st/2nd Feb. Applications close 14/1/14. (Rec'd 16/09)

Babich Wines NZ Pairs 2013 Flyer

Balclutha Bridge Club Tournament reminder (rec'd 10/09)

One Off Teams 15A Christchurch Flyer 2nd 3rd Nov – entries close 23/10. (rec'd 10/09).

Advice that Auckland/Northland have new website
<http://www.anrcbridge.org.nz/> - (rec'd 10/09)

Advice that all Canterbury Tournaments can be entered online

Outwards:

The inwards correspondence was acknowledged.

Jenny/Ryan

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report is attached.

Cheque Account balance - \$ 6,180.55

Total Investments \$36,422.61

Accounts to pay \$ 571.58

Roger Watson, Elaine Sabiston, Linda Pollock now assumed as resigned. Christine to contact Jos Smeele and Noeline Pettit to see if they still wish to be active members.

It was agreed by committee to recommend to AGM that we no longer offer prompt payment discount as it was never monitored anyway. Also recommended that the subs for 2014 be \$65.00. The increase is partially due to the proposed levy increase.

The Club has received an anonymous donation of \$1,000. We would like ideas of what special thing we could do with the money from members. To be in the newsletter.

The report with its recommendations was adopted.

Pam/Christine

Committee Reports:

Building

Everything is all up to date.

Bar

Bar Steriliser – there was a twist in the host that pumps water.

A note is to be put up in the bar reminding people to turn the heater after use.

Equipment

Need to purchase a spare cartridge for printer in office. Recently purchased are 144 pencils which should last a long time.

Library

Need to check if there are any duplicate books for the bridge club that was looking for them.

Membership

A sympathy card was sent to the family of Graham Such.

Programme

Decision on replacing individual nights with teams nights – decided to leave programme as is and may look at changing next year prior to organising the 2015 Programme book.

Membership numbers – thinking of creating a survey that could be sent to members who have played very little this year for any ideas that may entice them back. Survey could be sent with account. Also thought about creating a flyer to be put around in various places. Could look at having an open day to see if we can attract new members.

World Wide Pairs – Friday night, 8th November – to be held at Otago Bridge Club. This is to be advertised in the newsletter.

Labour Weekend Fun night – Christine to organise. We decided not to have a raffle this year.

Looked at changing names in the programme book of some sessions but decided to keep status quo.

Scoring system grading – would like more information on how this works.

General Business

AGM is to be held on Sunday 10th November at 1 pm – followed by a few hands of bridge. It will need to be advertised 14 days before AGM in Midweek newspaper as well as our own newsletter. Any remits to be notified prior to AGM. Nomination forms to be made available at least 14 days before meeting. Existing members happy to be nominated: Barbara, Jenny, Pam, Ryan, Judy and Val.

Looking for ideas for theme for the Xmas party.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th November 2013.

Treasurer's Report

October 2013

Account Balances

Cheque account opening balance	6,180.55
Cheque account closing balance	6,770.65

Investments

Simple Saver	5,043.33
Westpac Term deposit	19,882.74
Heartland Investment	11,496.54
Total	36,422.61

Accounts to Pay

J Elfield (cleaner)	141.40
IRD (PAYE)	33.60
Powershop DD Paid	274.03
Vodafone	76.55
RICOH DD	46.00
Total	571.58