

MINUTES OF THE 44th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE TAIRI BRIDGE CLUB INC. HELD AT THE CLUBROOMS AT 6TH NOVEMBER 2017

Present: Eve Beardsmore, Joan Robertson, Barbara Wilkes, Christine Samson, Val Wilson, Robyn Gillespie, Sheila Fenton, Frank Gradon, Ryan Sonntag, Alec Ansett, Nancy Hawker, Jenny Magee, Pam Wood, Barbara Chilman, Judith Smeijers, Kim Stewart, Peggy Rowe, Mary Jamieson, Diane Carruthers, Jean Wallace, Pat Scanlan, Linda Withers, Leona Pine, Deidre Bruce, Alice Thomson, Keith Spence, Roger Gudsell, Phyllis Stewart, Moira Law, Baukje Blok, Colleen Fletcher, Jen Macartney, Pauline Mee, Nancy Waters, Rosemary Pickersgill, Alan Lewthwaite, Dale Cameron, Irene Morrison and Kristin Collins.

Apologies: Dawn Brieseman, Olga Corlett, Wilma Burrell and Jean Young.
Moved by Barbara Wilkes, seconded by Val Wilson

Minutes of Meeting of 7 November 2016:

Read by Barbara Wilkes, Secretary. Confirmed as a true and correct record.
Moved by Ryan, seconded by Nancy Hawker. Carried Unanimously

No Matters arising from the Minutes

President's Report:

The chairperson, Eve Beardsmore, read the President's report and moved its adoption. A copy is attached.
Seconded by Joan Robertson. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer, Joan Robertson, presented her report and the Annual Financial Accounts and moved it for adoption.

Joan made the following comments

Income and Expenditure Account: Donations have increased this year due to Donna organising Cadbury Carpark fundraiser. Interest income has increased by \$1,043.00. It was pleasing to see that table money has increased by \$2,516.00. This has given us an overall increase in income by \$4,595.00. The main decrease in expenses is in the playing materials (\$1,494.00). The surplus for the year is \$7,529.60 which is an increase of \$5,413.72.

Statement of Financial Position - The Prudent Reserve for Heating upgrade had \$10,000.00 put towards heating. \$15,000.00 is with Southland Building Society. Although the balance was expected back from Strategic Finance a letter arrived stating that we would not be receiving any more payouts. As per the account the estimated loss of \$4,457.00 will be written off.

Seconded by Robin Gillespie. Carried unanimously.

The fees will remain the same as last year as there has been no increase in levies.

Pauline Mee requested the Club to reimburse Director's rule books. Val Wilson passed motion that the Club reimburse Directors any expenses incurred while directing. Seconded by Linda Withers. Carried unanimously.

Barbara Wilkes suggested that Directors should receive more than just a free night – in fact a further free night would be appreciated. Eve Beardsmore said this could be taken further and all volunteers to receive a free night. Val Wilson firmly disagreed with this and said that the club is run by volunteers and that we should keep the status quo.

Auditor:

It was moved by Eve Beardsmore and seconded by Barbara Wilkes that Christine McNamara be appointed again as honorary Auditor for the ensuing year. Carried unanimously.

Reimbursements for Office Bearers and Auditor:

It was moved by Eve Beardsmore and seconded by Barbara Wilkes that any reasonable reimbursements be paid as required to office bearers and the auditor. Carried unanimously

Election of Officers:

As there was only one nomination for each of the Office Bearers, they were elected unanimously as follows:

President: Eve Beardsmore proposed by Val Wilson and seconded by Bob Gillanders
Vice President: Jenny Magee – proposed by Val Wilson and seconded by Jen Macartney
Treasurer: Joan Robertson - proposed by Jenny Magee and seconded by Jen Macartney
Secretary: Barbara Wilkes - proposed by Jenny Magee and seconded by Bob Gillanders

Committee:


Judith Smeijers	- proposed by Barbara Wilkes and seconded by Pauline Mee
Bob Gillanders	- proposed by Jen Macartney and seconded by Christine Samson
Jen Macartney	- proposed by Barbara Wilkes and seconded by Val Wilson
Dale Cameron	- proposed by Eve Beardsmore and seconded by Jen Macartney
Christine Samson	- proposed by Barbara Wilkes and seconded by Eve Beardsmore

The Chairperson duly declared all nominees duly elected.

General Business:

- A motion was put forward by Frank Gradon to change rule 20 to remove the word minimum. Discussion was held and it was agreed that a sub-committee would be formed to look at all rules to be changed and to be made coherent. This would be passed on to the new committee to sort. It was also suggested that the sub-committee could also include general members. Carried unanimously.
- Colleen Fletcher requested that all handicaps for a Monday night would be regularly checked every 2-3 months and changed. Barbara Wilkes mentioned that this would be a very large job if undertaken manually. Jude Smeijers suggested that it could be an option to adopt the same system that Otago Bridge Club uses which is done by the computer. The incoming committee to look at this.
- Alec Ansett – requested that the bar be open automatically every night of play for at least 10 minutes. It was agreed that more volunteers would be required for this to occur.
- Alec Weavers requested that as our club had large reserves that table money be reduced to \$3.00. Further to this comment Peggy Rowe requested that members receive a discount according to the membership years. Baukje Blok requested that as old members had built up the reserves then they should benefit from reduced table money. Discussion was also made by Kristin Collins that funds should be spent on membership recruitment. Bob Gillanders suggested that the club should spend money on recruitment and that the club should look at reducing the table money for 2018. These ideas would be discussed at committee level.
- There was also a suggestion by Eve Beardsmore that the Club would run 4 Sunday afternoon seasonal sessions (free of charge) and members could just turn up to play. The incoming committee is to organise this.
- Peggy Rowe also made a suggestion that members just being able to turn up for one of the fun nights but with the new rules that many of the older members are unfamiliar with it makes this suggestion a bit tricky.
- A vote of thanks was made to Eve Beardsmore for the great job she has done in the past year.

Meeting closed at 7.25 pm

Signed:  .

Dated: 6th November 2017.

Taieri Bridge Club President's Report 2017

The year has passed very quickly with our committee having had a very busy time. In February we again recruited new members by having flyers printed and distributed locally. Many thanks to Robert Cowan and John Sheehy for covering the cost of the first advert and to Barbara Wilkes who organized the printing of the flyers. This resulted in 13 prospective new members joining the Bridge Club lessons in March. These were successfully run by Kristin Collins.

We have been very busy with our various tournaments and charity tournaments as follows:

- In March we ran an Open B Tournament which was well attended.
- In May we ran the 'Otago Hospice Tournament'. The room was nearly full and \$1,030 was raised for this great cause.
- In June we ran the 5A Tournament which was well attended with 13 tables.
- In July we ran the 8B Graded Tournament which was also well attended with 16 tables.
- In August the Club ran the 'Cancer Society Tournament'. We gave them nearly \$1000.
- Not to forget the 'Fun Nights' that Christine ran throughout the year that were also very successful.

I must take this opportunity to thank our generous sponsors for the prizes, raffles, etc. They were Cadburys, Wal's Garden, New World, Agora and of course not forgetting our own members who gave items for the raffles. It has made a great difference having entries online – thanks to Jude Smeijers for instigating this. Jude also organised the tournaments.

Thanks must go to Donna for the generous donation of \$1,310.00 collected from her 'Cadbury Car Parking' efforts.

In August we also welcomed 8 learners into our Monday club sessions. They seem to be settling in well.

The attendance on Wednesday nights has increased a little since last year which is pleasing to see. Those that came always had a treat for supper as Robert Cowan, a great baker, would bring along scones, muffins, etc. Many thanks Robert.

Looking over the Financial Accounts, I am pleased to see an increased surplus recorded. Thank you to Joan Robertson who has now been our treasurer for the year. Thanks also to Christine and Donna for collating the year end Accounts for the Auditor.

Ryan Sonntag is retiring from the committee. Ryan has been organizing the bar for quite a number of years as well as being an active committee member. Many thanks Ryan.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Committee, Contractors and Volunteers for the excellent work they have done throughout the year. This has ensured the smooth running of the Club by them carrying out duties such as: Organising Tournaments, Newsletters, Directing, Room Set Up, Scoring, Dealing, Spring-cleaning and Tidy Ups, Kitchen Duties, Bar Duties, Rubbish Disposal, Building and Gardening Maintenance, and distributing flyers for the Bridge Classes around the Taieri. Without all this help the Club would not be in such good shape as it is to-day. A special thank you also to our very capable Secretary Barbara, Vice-President Jenny and to our computer manager Jude. Many thanks also to everyone else for all your support and contributions.

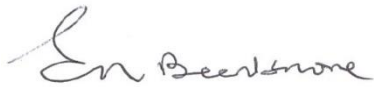
The following items were donated to the Bridge Club:- A Vacuum Cleaner by Bob Gillanders, Embroidered Bridge Table Cloth by Baukje Blok, and a Large Colourful Plate (platter) by Val Wilson. Thankyou all.

The Bridge Club Lease with the DCC expired in 2014 and is at present being renegotiated for a further 20 years. As part of that Lease we will have the exclusive rights to the car parks. However, the Community Board and DCC

want a Kerb and Channel Footpath for pedestrians along side our building and this is in it's design stages at present.

We were very happy that the Taieri High School were able to find two capable girls for making the tea. They have proved to be very efficient.

Finally, congratulations to all our members who have had success at the competitions the Club has run over the year. We issued Certificates last year to the winners and this new idea has proved to be well received. This is a marvellous Club that has a very good reputation for being warm, friendly and providing great hospitality. We can now look forward to 2018 with the new in-coming committee continuing the good work that has enabled this club to become 'Very Special'.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Eve Beardsmore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Eve Beardsmore
President

Taieri Bridge Club
Income and Expenditure Report for Year to Aug: 2016/17

Income		Actual	Prev Year	Difference
021	Donations	1,390.40	375.82	1,015
022	Interest Earned	17.22	22.64	(5)
023	Investment Interest	1,632.02	589.26	1,043
027	Rent	1,913.05	1,817.40	96
031	Advertising Income	718.48	565.24	153
041	Table Money	19,273.15	16,757.38	2,516
042	Subscriptions	5,818.14	5,863.69	(46)
051	Bar Sales	2,923.22	3,050.01	(127)
061	Tournament Income	3,273.92	3,762.60	(489)
081	Sundry Income	530.43	91.48	439
Total Income		37,490.03	32,895.52	4,595
Expenses				
101	Property Expenses	651.78	1,031.15	379
103	Rent	848.50	827.81	(21)
105	Electricity	3,088.68	3,047.35	(41)
111	Cleaning Wages	1,516.72	1,298.15	(219)
112	Cleaning PAYE	363.28	326.25	(37)
113	Cleaning Sundry	89.21	-	(89)
204	ACC Levies	29.88	-	(30)
301	Office Expenses	2,175.31	1,719.37	(456)
302	Water Rates	140.93	165.26	24
304	Telephone	763.78	746.45	(17)
305	Insurance	1,554.76	1,554.76	-
306	Reimbursements	913.05	913.04	(0)
307	Accounting Software	65.22	-	(65)
400	Playing	-	54.40	54
403	Levies & Charges	3,119.60	3,287.80	168
407	Prizes and Engraving	499.17	211.13	(288)
409	Playing Materials	22.52	1,516.26	1,494
501	Bar Expenses	2,126.74	2,131.56	5
601	Tournament Expenses	2,027.01	1,989.96	(37)
701	Kitchen Supplies	1,347.45	1,143.56	(204)
703	Kitchen Wages	2,760.00	2,802.70	43
801	Sundry Expenses	719.22	400.71	(319)
850	Depreciation Buildings	3,098.41	3,098.41	-
851	Depreciation Plant	2,039.21	2,513.56	474
		29,960.43	30,779.64	819
Surplus		7,529.60	2,115.88	5,413.72

**Taiari Bridge Club
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 August 2017**

CAPITAL		
Club Balance	This Year	Last Year End
Plus Current Year Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	123,530.08	121,414.20
	7,529.60	2,115.88
TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDS	131,059.68	123,530.08
REPRESENTED BY		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cheque	7,159.83	9,129.81
Kitchen	384.06	411.05
Prudent Reserves Carpet Flooring - Bonus Saver	11,545.77	9,041.56
Prudent Reserves Heating Upgrade - Investments	30,937.42	20,370.66
Bar Stock	747.40	797.40
Floats	250.00	250.00
GST Paid	0.00	246.83
	51,024.48	40,247.21
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Estimated Loss Investments Strategic Finance	4,457.56	4,457.56
Sundry Creditors	37.78	27.30
GST Holding	776.28	832.19
GST Received	0.00	548.18
	5,271.62	5,865.23
NET WORKING CAPITAL	45,752.86	34,381.98
TERM ASSETS		
Prudent Reserves For Roofing Upgrade	22,751.87	21,978.38
	22,751.87	21,978.38
FIXED ASSETS		
Buildings	149,996.00	149,996.00
Buildings - Provision for Depreciation	(91,514.54)	(89,067.08)
Plant & Equipment	49,430.99	49,430.99
Plant & Equipment - Additions	522.85	
Plant & Equip. - Prov for Depreciation	(45,880.35)	(43,190.19)
	62,554.95	67,169.12
NET ASSETS	131,059.68	123,530.08

Accounting Policies and Notes

1. Accounting Policies are prepared excluding GST
2. Sundry debtors and creditors have not been taken into account except for GST, PAYE and Bar
3. The only stock taken into account is that of the bar
4. Income is included in the year of receipt, & payments in the year of expenditure
5. All Fixed Assets show full costs less depreciation
6. Investments are recorded at cost. The investment of \$5,370.56 with Strategic Finance has been placed under trading halt. We have estimated the write down on the loss of investment further based on latest correspondence from the receivers.

Audit Certificate

I have audited the financial statements of the Taiari Bridge Club Inc for the year ending 31 August 2017 in accordance with the New Zealand Audit Standard. In my view these accounts give a fair view of the club's financial situation at that date.

Signed:



Christine McNamara, C.A.