

## **Minutes for the Taradale Bridge Club Committee Meeting held at the clubrooms on 11th July 2023 at 11am**

**Present:** Debbie Gibson, Meg Rodel, Clodagh Norris, Alison Hucker, Ruth Spittle, Robyn Andersen, Viv Pinkham, Sally Woods, Linda Smith

**Apologies:** Jo Hayes

**The minutes of the last meeting:** Meg moved they be taken as true and correct. Seconded Robyn.

### **Matters Arising:**

Meg has completed final copies of agreement contracts. People using the rooms already haven't signed. Ruth will talk to Jo about this and discuss Mahjong situation regarding charges with her as well. Charges may be revised for next year for Mahjong and Country music club at end of September.

Phone. Bridge Club cellphone in office. Number is 027 4380 383

Previously reported damaged in men's toilet. The NCCMC have looked at the damage, have accepted responsibility for it and will have it fixed. Ruth will talk to Ron about getting it fixed and we will charge NCCMC. (Is NCCMC fixing it or are we fixing it and charging NCCMC?)

Club delegate for AGM at National Congress. No one has offered.

Ideas for introducing youth bridge at our club. Perhaps mini bridge for starters held late Fri or Sat afternoon or Sunday when room is not used by NCCMC. Perhaps have an intensive course from 9-12 noon for a week in the next school holidays and aim to get school children involved perhaps with Alice's help. Sally will make up a flyer to go to High Schools to let them know this is going to happen from 25-29th September. Discuss at next meeting.

Any offers for membership/Admin person or Tournament helper. Alison will be tournament helper.

Online director training. Ash is doing this.

Teresa Thorn and Alison Lott also training to learn scorer along with Shona, Chris H, Ash and the Williamsons. Chris successfully scored the first week of supported bridge.

**Maintenance** group formed - John Sowerby, Ron Humphreys, Raewyn Cooper, Darin Underhill. Date for working bee to place gutter brushes etc. Ideas for letter box.

Ruth will ask Ron

- who is in charge while John is away
- if he can report to the committee
- to get quotes for electricity and gas and getting a maintenance diary underway.
- to get someone on the maintenance committee to paint a yellow strip of paint on front steps.
- about a suggested lock box to hold a master key – Keyholders list.

### **Taradale Bridge Club Building Update**

Code of Compliance Certificate – Sorted.

Roller doors have been fitted to the kitchen and the bar. Covers have been installed and doors are now operational. After raising or lowering, the control needs to be positioned on the '0'.

John Sowerby in charge of hot water situation whether gas bottles replaced or HWC. Ruth liaising with John to see what can be done to secure the padlock, as it appears, due to cost the gas bottles will stay.

Door bell has been installed and is being used.

## **Financial**

The current bank balances are:

Cheque account: \$20,695.73

Savings: \$118,235.80

Monthly payments to be made \$9700.00 (includes Homeplus payment of shutters \$8423.00).

GST refund for June \$2411.54.

Alice Fundraiser \$1047 was deposited into Dravitzki account.

Junior Tournament: 9 tables \$900.

Prizes total \$350. Wine session prizes \$120.

Less groceries expenses, director & NZ Bridge charges.

No raffle.

Profit: \$241.00.

Gifts to be approved by committee before they are purchased.

Ruth approved above amount for June be approved for payment and Clodagh seconded.

## **Social Almoner**

Cards have gone to Adrian Rotherham, Maggie Reddington (both unwell) and Joy Rose (husband died).

## **Membership**

New associate members Marie Bymolt, Chris Burns, Lorraine Burns, Pam Ballantyne, Jeremy Ballantyne

## **Correspondence Inward**

Tax invoice from Rock Gas - to replace stolen cylinders

Derek and Lyn Evans, NCCMC - invitation to attend 9/7/23

Secretary NZB - NZ U21 Youth Team 2023

NZB - minutes of NZB Board meeting held 16/5/23

Margaret Williams - comments for the committee. Constitution - see in General Business.

Bridge NZ - closed from 28July - 21 August

NZB - Junior/Intermediate discounts offered for first timers to National Congress

NZB - Mel Auld appointed as new Marketing and Communications resource.

The Blindstore - blinds being delivered on 28/7/23 to Debbie's.

CD Regional Committee - Management of 15A & 20A Events in 2023 and beyond. We are not hosting any of the events so it doesn't apply to us.

Registrar of Incorporated Societies: July update on law changes for societies

Coresteel - Warranty Document

## **Correspondence Outward**

Francey Rolls - TBC will continue with FTF lessons

Darren Kendall @ Aon - advising theft of gas bottles. from Robyn

Rodney Green - from Ash.

Bridge NZ - order for bridge pads, replacement red board, and numbers. From Chris Hagen

## **General Business**

Discussion on lesson timing for next year. Perhaps lessons at night as well as daytime Further discussion next time.

Margaret Williams comments re Charities register, constitution, change of address. Robyn can confirm that the Charities register has now been updated with all the new member details.

Change of address has been done on Charities register and Incorporated Societies Register.

At the AGM in November 2022 members were asked to vote on a new class of membership - **Non Playing Membership**. Ruth will talk to Jo about this as this category of membership will probably not apply from next year.

**This needs to be updated for Non Playing Member Category and needs to be filed with Incorporated Society.**

The updated constitution then needs to be filed with Incorporated Societies and Charities Commission. NB A rule change only comes into effect once the updated constitution has been filed. This change has nothing to do with the general review of the constitution needed at a later date. See note above.

A rule from the incorporated society website states any changes to the constitution must be filed otherwise existing rules apply. (This info is from Margaret W).

Re the constitution: the government has made changes to the Incorporated Societies Act. These changes mean our whole constitution has to be reviewed and changes made. Off hand I can't remember the deadline for this. Ron Humphreys has done some work on this but we were hoping that NZ Bridge would put out a model constitution (they have indicated they will) to give us something to work on. I did ask Alister Stuck about this a little while ago and it was still a work in progress then. All incorporated societies are affected by this. Jo

Under the Funds heading, the constitution needs a minor change to reflect that cheques are no longer legal and replaced by internet banking.

Another query from Margaret. Should all committee members have signed a document stating that they are of sound character and capable of being on a committee? Ruth will talk to Jo about this.

Bridge Supplies. Bridge NZ closed from 28 July-21 August. Any supplies need to be ordered and paid for by 21 July. Email forwarded to Chris Hagen. More bridge pads have been ordered.

Membership fees for rest of year: \$30 for associated members. \$45 for full membership.

Hireage of bridge pads. Ash has a note of hireage on bridge pads.

How to get novices and juniors more involved. Two tournaments for novices and juniors to be held on 12/8/23 and 17/9/23. Alison to ask Chris Hagen to do flyers for these.

Linda is inquiring to NZB about lack of B points awarded for Junior tournament.

**Sitting Rights:** Johanna Schinkel has asked for sitting rights due to a back problem. Alison will update the list.

Warranty Document - next time

Viv will start to make a list of people available for the Haverdale tournament.

Thank you letter to go to Bruce and Nat's handyman services for their donation to the opening tournament. Viv will write a card to them.

Meeting finished at 12.30 pm

Next meeting Tuesday 8th August at 11 am.