

Taradale Bridge Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at the Taradale Bridge Clubrooms
4.45 p.m on Tuesday 17th April 2018

Present: Jan Davis, Trish Patterson, Carolyn Yeomans, Ruth Spittle, Sue Lambourn, Jo Hayes

Apologies: Chris Stack, Ash Fitchett, Chris Hagen, Jim Brown

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and Trish Patterson moved they be taken as true and correct. Seconded: Sue Lambourne

Financial

Ruth Spittle moved her Treasurers Report be accepted and payments of \$3,902.00 be approved. Seconded: Jo Hayes

Matters Arising

Intermediate and Open dates for 2020 need to be looked at– Trish to email Brian Green

Social Almoner

Cards to Celia Crombie, Ellen Herrick and Julie Haslett

Membership

Imminent resignation from Jim Brown from Committee and TBC

Correspondence Inwards

Winter Break Holiday Bridge Program – Denise Ohlen
Lawson Jugs Evaluation – Denise Ohlen
NZ Bridge Newsletter No 4
Radio Advertising Denise Ohlen
NZ Bridge Social Media Best Practices
NZ Bridge Opportunities to assist as a Tustee
New Grand Masters NZ Bridge
NZ Bridge Players 2017 Toplines Gradings & Tournament Task Forc
NZ Bridge Minutes 20th March
Club Level Director Exams
NZ Bridge Newsletter No 5
NZ Bridge Central Districts Meeting minutes

Correspondence Outwards

Email to Phyllida Isles re Intermediate Tournament from President Chris Stack
Letter of thanks to New World for sponsorship of the Lawson Jugs – Neil Mcdonald
Letter to GJ Gardiner requesting sponsorship
Letter to Beth Shan requesting sponsorship for the Tierney Teams

Other Business:

Volunteer of the Month (keep on agenda) Jo Hayes moved that we consider a club member

Committee Job Descriptions (keep on agenda) Check to see who needs to complete

Honoraria (keep on agenda) Trish to check the constitution. Jo to check the incorporated Societies criteria for office holders.

AGM timeline (keep on agenda)

Pianola – leave this as a shelved item, new website will resolve our posting of results

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problems.

Website - Email update from Ash

I have had emails/conversations with Murray MacLaren from ClubHub over this past week.

- I need to add pdf writer software to the bridge computer. I spent some time there on Friday afternoon - the computer certainly loads a lot slower than my iMac. In future, we will be adding a pdf file onto the website under results.
- I have contacted Alan Haslett and Chris H for the fantail logo - both have sent me a slightly blurred version which we may have to go with for the website. I will also phone Arthur Bennett to see if he has a better copy
- I have been asked to not add anything to the current "live" website. I have been adding them to the new version which has highlighted some issues which I have discussed with Maurice. He is to get his tech people to fix
- I will be down in Christchurch next week and James, one of Maurice's tech people, will be there also so I might set up a face to face to run through the new website editing requirements - especially photos which I could learn more about. Maurice charges \$90/hour (I skyped him for 1 hour last Friday).
- I think, if all the dots continue to be ticked and aligned, we will switch to the new website version after next Thursday week morning session (26 April).
- The adding of results will be different (as I explained to the committee by email earlier this year) and I will have to make up a failsafe method for all the directors. The information with the bridge results apparently is more detailed for the players to analyse their individual play.
- I asked Maurice if changing to Pianola would affect how we get the results onto the website. He said he thinks another of the bridge clubs he deals with has Pianola so it "should work".

Earlier closing of Taradale Club – Wednesday starting at 7.00 and the Director needs to keep the room moving.

Charity Tournament – Ruth moved St John Ambulance, Seconded Carolyn Yeomans

Tierney Teams. - Ruth has done the budget, Marjorie is directing, all on track.

Nesting Pairs - from Jo Hayes

There has been general agreement amongst the participants that they will view the remaining seminars in their own time rather than all together at the Bridge Club. Therefore I won't be preparing the practice boards or printing out the bidding notes. While the first two seminars have focussed on Standard American, it appears that the remaining ones cover topics that can apply to all systems, eg leads, signals, RKCB and other versions of Multi 2D. I think they are worth a look, even if you just read the notes that go with them.

Other groups wanting to use our room – email from Brian Lacey – everyone happy with these groups using our rooms, they must provide their own coffee, tea and milk.

Jo to talk to Christine about having a variety of biscuits for Tuesday afternoon.

Club Level Director Exams – we should encourage some of our members to do this. Ash to put this in the next newsletter.

Novice Tournament – re email from Denise Ohlen – Trish to email Denise and tell her we have a Novice Tournament on the 11th November and it will be run by the Club

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as all our tournaments are. Carolyn will ask Marjorie to direct. This information has proved incorrect, Trish will revisit Denise's original email and go with the date she proposed

Adjuncts Meeting report from Carolyn

15 May new operations manager Andre Beniki starts. All staff will report to him, he is a trained chef and was Assistant Manager of the Wooleston Club.

Brian Lacey leaves on the 31st May.

Mary has replaced Sue in the office.

Ron Sim is the new caretaker.

Chefs have resigned and leave 4 & 7th of May, the new chef has good credentials.

Club broke even in February, Tony leaving was expensive.

Gaming room \$40,000 spent. We are the worst performing site in Hawkes Bay, but this has improved from \$5,000 to \$10,500 per month

Defibrillator is sitting at HB Hospital getting checked and signed off. Paul Coe to chase up.
High possibility this will be situated in hall way on the left before you turn into the restaurant.

Bridge: Report from Carolyn to the Adjunct Meeting

Had 2 tournaments so far, intermediate tournament and things went a bit out of control. Sometimes these things happen. The 2nd tournament was excellent. Lesson nights are getting 30 people turning up, they are offered for free in the hope they join the club. New competition Senior/Junior night is a great success.

Couple notes: if the room is going to be used more regularly could we keep an eye on the cleanliness of the room, maybe an extra clean each week. There seemed to be no communication with regards to closing early on a Wednesday night but bridge are going to start earlier to accommodate. GM did point out that the closing times are only a guideline and if there are people using the facilities then things should stay open. Staff should know this also.

Have a tournament in May and Queen's birthday weekend and would like to reiterate that the quality and standard of food needs to be high, wanted it noted now that as there is going to be a change in kitchen staff.

Ruth Spittle has asked for sitting rights until her hip is repaired, this is approved by the Committee.

Flyers

Waipukurau Open 14th April

Hastings Charity 25th April

Feilding Intermediate 5th May

Taradale Tierney Teams 19 May

Hastings Junior 5th May

Wellington Regional Bridge Congress Flyer 21 – 25 April

Meeting closed

Next meeting Tuesday 21st May 2018