

MINUTES of the Taradale Bridge Club Committee Meeting held at The Lodge 11.00am
Tuesday 18th August

Present: Jo Hayes, Trish Patterson, Carolyn Yeomans, Margaret Hall
Chris Hagen, Margaret O'Leary, Doreen Nunn, Margaret Williams,
Ash Fitchett, Sue Lambourn, Ruth Spittle, Jan Davis

Apologies:

The minutes of the last meeting have been circulated. Moved: Jo Hayes they be taken as true and correct. Seconded: Jan Davis

Matters Arising

In Committee discussion

Building Updates

Meeting Notes of Meeting at Napier Pirates Rugby & Sports Club Rooms 14 August 2020 at 1400 hours

Present: Napier City Country Music Club, Pirates Rugby Club, Hawke's Bay Indoor Bowls, Taradale Bridge Club, and Debra Stewart (Napier City Council).

Matters Discussed:

- Debra shared copies of the Proposed Park Island Master Plan and an aerial photo of the same area. The intended building site was clearly identified.
- Debra said that the Council was fully supportive of establishing a Northern Community Sports Hub at Park Island and that whilst the groups are interested in being part of this development, it didn't mean they had to all go/develop the buildings at the same time.
- The Northern Hub has had full approval in the Council to be developed and that included that Pirates could have training lights set up over a training ground.
- Amenities such as sewage/water/power/gas/fibre optic is usually provided to the boundary of any building - with the cost to extend into the property being built lying with the different clubs. In this instance this could be from the HBRU building, however this could be negotiable as it was acknowledged that parking would be needed for sports grounds adjacent to the club buildings. The sports grounds would also require changing facilities for visiting teams. In summary there would need to be detail on who pays for what
- Parking - this is part of the building development and a shared cost by the clubs based on the size of their building. A Paper would need to go to Council as it is planned for a 160-car parking facility for the sports grounds. The parking could be deemed a core business cost (\$2.5K/park) of Council as exclusive car parking for a club is not supported by Debra.
- Lease - the clubs would have a 15-year lease agreement which would be automatically renewable for an additional term of 15 years. In Debra's opinion, Council has and never would terminate such a lease after the 30 years. Any lease agreement could include a clause that if Council refuses to renew after 30 years, they will pay for the club to relocate to a suitable site. The lease amount is based upon the rateable value of the land (possibly including some required car parks) minus the inappropriate costs. This calculated figure is further discounted for sporting clubs providing their services to the Napier community - e.g. rugby gets a 60% discount whilst Napier Bridge gets 12% discount(!). Any price increase of the lease would be based upon the yearly price increase of the rates.

- Car Parking - there was some discussion on this cost. Debra said it is all up for further discussion and final agreement and it may be that clubs contribute to the initial capital cost and Council pay the maintenance going forward.
- Timelines - the development of the Norther Hub is currently funded for 2025-6 financial year. However, if Pirates were to move sooner than Debra suggested that the timeline and funding could readily be adjusted so they have the rugby fields for practice and presumably play.

Where to Next: Debra suggested all clubs detail into a brief what their requirements including kitchen - but excluding toilets and car parking as these are regulated according to the size of the building. Include the “nice to haves”, and the potential to share facilities. This brief can all be sent to Debra by the individual clubs - possibly by Friday 4 September hopefully!

Following the brief, a concept plans can be drawn up by the Council people.

Financial

Margaret Williams moved the Treasurers Report be accepted and payments of \$5622 for June be paid. Seconded: Chris Hagen
Inventory and Insurance have been updated since the move to the Lodge.

Items for Discussion

Possibility of allowing members to prepay their \$20 ticket purchase by internet banking.
Sound out Directors to see whether they would mind being paid by internet banking.
Put information re paying for tickets by internet banking in the newsletter.

Open Tournament figures

Discussion and clarification of costs.

Tournament Director to be offered \$100 to replace lost envelope providing the envelope has not been recovered.

Social Almoner

Cards to Margaret Vaughan – sister passed away, Clodagh Norris – thankyou for the Scarecrows that we raffled, Sonia Whale – illness, family of Kingsley Dep who passed away

Membership

Marie Spiers	New associate, member Napier	0211304737	mariez54@hotmail.com
Merv Buxton	Resigned		
Megan Dravitzki	New full member	835 5155	Megan.dravitzki@gmail.com
Dave Dravitzki	New full member	835 5155	dave.dravitzki@gmail.com
Alice Dravitzki	New full member	835 5155	alicedravitzki@nghs.school.nz
Phyllis Patrick??	New associate, member Napier	No application form yet.	

Correspondence Inwards

2020 Inter Provincial Selection

Email from Cherie Summerset – re. Junior Tournament – thanking Neil for the results and apologies she could not attend the prize giving

2020 Inter Provincial Selection – Francey Rolls

Club Director examinations postponed until November

NZB Minutes of NZB board Meeting 9th July

Email from Andrew Graney PaknSave re sponsorship – agreement to sponsor our Open Tournament. The arrangement for vouchers for Tuesday afternoon will not resume until we can provide suitable advertising for PaknSave – so can be negotiated when we have our new rooms. (Copy of Agreement)

Ongoing correspondence with NBC re meeting with TBC

Email from Ray Monck to Trish confirming Monday nights available from August 1st at the Lodge

NZ Bridge Newsletter No 6 for 2020

NZ Bridge update on National Congress 2020

Thankyou card from Noeline Buchanan

Napier BC response to Meeting held with TBC Sunday 9th August

Covid 19 Advisory Number 9

Response from Debra Gibson re catering

NZB Regional Committee Minutes meeting held 26 June 2020

Meeting notes from TBC meeting with NBC from Peter Ramsey

Correspondence Outwards

Email to Francey Rolls, unable to hold Zelda in 2021

Email to Cherie from Summerset re Junior Pairs thanks for sponsorship and results (Neil McDonald)

Email to Richard from Unichem, thanks for sponsorship and results (Neil McDonald)

Email to PaknSave re sponsorship – Neil McDonald

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Thankyou to Debra Gibson for catering

Trish Patterson moved the Inwards and Outwards Correspondence be accepted. Seconded Ash Fitchett

Other Business:

Christmas Party – recommended that we go to the RSA for lunch, 6th December, Jan to make enquiries. 12.00 for lunch and bridge at 1.30pm.

Committee 2021 all present have indicated they will stay on. Ruth to advise.

Club Captain role to be further investigated, Trish to send email to Committee with suggested tasks provided by Jo for this role and the job descriptions that currently overlap with these.

Ngaire Bright Memorial – suggestion of recipient. Discussed and decided.

Sales table not to be continued. Keep \$50 raffle going

Roster system (one table per session drawn at random) get our own mugs and wash our own dishes so that we do not have to use the sterilizer.

Revision of tournament prize list

Carolyn and Sue to get together to discuss guidelines for Prize money.

Tournament Management – Sue to give the job of tournament help to Margaret O’Leary. Need someone to take charge of organizing the catering, not necessarily a person on the Committee.

Tournaments 2021 – Junior and Intermediate could be held in the Lodge rooms. Email Bryan Green to see whether these can be changed to the Sunday
Trish to write to Peter Ramsey to see if we can hold our Lawson Jugs, Tierney Teams and Open Pairs in Havelock North.

We could offer to store the Lodge chairs in our lockup.

Charity Tournament – cancel for 2020

Novice Tournament – Sunday 8th November. Sue to find further details.

Interclub – Clayton Cup 6th Sept to be hosted by Taradale, Carolyn has organized an Open team, Chris organizing Intermediate and Junior teams. Trish to remind the Clubs this is on and confirm their participation.

Lessons update – Ruth has twelve people who are really keen, two more lessons than practice play. Promote a session on a Wednesday afternoon that our members could come and play and support the new players until the end of the year after which they could join Monday evening bridge.

Review of meeting with NBC

Napier and Taradale Bridge Clubs – Joint Vision Chairman’s Summary of Meeting

Venue: Napier Bridge Club
Date and Time: Sunday 9th August at 2PM
Independent Chairman: Peter Ramsey

Those present (in no particular order):

Jan Davis	Chris Hagen	Megan Eddy	Sue Lambourn
Ruth Spittle	Jo Hayes	Bridget Willcox	Ash Fitchett
Trish Patterson	Karen Cowley	Carolyn Yeomans	Margaret O’Leary
Margaret Williams	Alison Saville	Julian Herbert	Jane O’Brien
Dave Halliday	Doreen Nunn	Francey Rolls	

Documents available

The following documents had been circulated prior to the meeting and copies were available to all attendees at the meeting:

1. Taradale Bridge Club Vision Statement
2. Napier Bridge Club Vision Statement

Opening remarks

The chairman stressed the following:

1. The purpose of the meeting was to allow both clubs to articulate their visions for the future.
2. Success would be achieved if, by the end of the meeting, everyone present understood the visions that each club presented and had had a chance to ask questions and clarify any points.
3. A formal approach would be taken with all questions and requests to speak going through the chair.
4. That the meeting should be constructive and forward looking.

Common themes

1. Both clubs had consulted with their respective memberships in preparing their vision statements
2. Both clubs wish to provide opportunities to learn and to play bridge at all experience levels in pleasant and safe club environments.

Key points arising from discussion regarding Taradales' Vision

1. The club would like to obtain new permanent premises close to Taradale with safe car parking. (Note some Taradale members regard the Nuffield Road site as being unsafe in this respect). (Also noted that Napier Club is addressing the safety situation through planned live feed cameras, floodlighting etc and that with the adjacent enhanced basketball facilities there is likely to be more legitimate activity in the carpark going forward)
2. The club is on a track of being able to build a new clubroom as part of a community hub facility at Park Island. This would involve Taradale Bridge Club having its own room(s) whilst sharing common facilities such as toilets and kitchens with other clubs.
 - a. At present three other clubs have been identified who may have similar requirements and intent. These are Napier Pirates (rugby), HB Indoor Bowls Club and Napier City Country Music Club. Taradale has been in discussion with these clubs since mid to late 2019.
 - b. As a next step a joint meeting is scheduled with the council and these clubs on Friday 14th.

3. Taradale Club believes it has considerable momentum with the council at present and does not want anything to detract from this momentum.
4. The club is not averse to discussing merging in the future. At present its priority and energy is focussed on working with the council to achieve its goal of new permanent premises. Merger discussions might be appropriate in 12 months or when funding has been established.

Key points arising from discussion regarding Napier’s Vision

1. Napier Bridge Club would like to work with Taradale Bridge Club to effect a merger of the two clubs along the lines proposed in January 2020.
2. Napier Bridge Club sees considerable benefits in merging with Taradale. These are:
 - a. Stronger ongoing financial situation. E.g. Cost savings of one venue, one set of operating costs etc
 - b. Easier to administer one club – potentially more members from which to draw a committee and helpers
 - c. Easier to provide a range of playing sessions and lessons for a larger membership.
3. Napier owns its clubrooms and sees no point in relinquishing its building and becoming a tenant of another club or paying rent for club rooms.

Meeting with Napier Council

After some discussion Taradale invited Napier to attend the joint meeting with the Council on 14/08. (see Taradale Vision 2b above) The short notice of this was noted. The purpose of this meeting was described as “to firm up the other club’s commitment to the Park Island site”

Further actions

- The presidents agreed there were no further actions arising from this meeting

Bar Prices - \$6 for a glass of wine, cost of wine not to average out more than \$15 per bottle.

Petrol voucher with a note for Marjorie for coming to assist with Monday evening setup.
 \$50 Agreed.

Trish to email Mairie Fitzsimons re underlays for tablecloths

Flyers

- Daffodil Charity Tournament Palmerston North Sunday 9th August
- Levin Multigrade 8B Swiss Pairs 29 August
- 3A Fullarton Teams Tournament Hastings BC 15th August
- Dunstall’s Open Teams 5A Napier 29th August
- Rotorua 8B Restricted Pairs Sat 12th September
- Alister Buchanan Tournament Napier Members only 13th September

National Bridge Congress 26 Sept – 3rd October Flyers

The meeting closed 1.30pm The next meeting is to be held 8th September at the Lodge