

## **Minutes of the Taradale Bridge Club Committee Meeting held in the clubrooms at 11 am on 13 August 2024**

**Present:** Linda Smith, Alison Hucker, Clodagh Norris, Teresa Thorn, Sally Woods, Colin Dolley, Sarah Kilmister, Viv Pinkham, Debbie Gibson, Robyn Andersen, Karen Randell, Raelyn Henderson and Helen Kemp.

**Apologies:** Ruth Spittle, Meg Rodel and John Sowerby.

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and it was moved by Debbie that they be taken as true and correct. Seconded by Sarah.

### **Financial Report**

Robyn presented her financial report. It was moved by Linda that payments totalling \$3726.56 be approved. Seconded by Teresa.

Balances as at 31.7.24

Chq account \$28,109.9

Savings \$13,324.75

Term Investments: \$110,000 includes \$10,000 for future maintenance

Note:

A selection of a person to sort the sponsorship for the club would have to be made as soon as practicable as we will have to organize the booklet.

The revenue we receive from sponsorship is:

\$3975 + GST = \$4571.25

plus \$500 received from Ryman in advance sponsorship for 2025

### **Maintenance Group:**

New batteries to the front door lock installed. Les repaired another roller blind. John Sowerby and Raewyn Cooper to do the cleaning while Glenda is away for two weeks. They are both to receive four packets of yellow tickets each. Sally to send an email thanking them.

### **Membership**

New Associate member since last meeting: Susan Emmerson

Resignations: Annelies and Gus Van der Linden

New member: Anne Baines

### **Social Almoner -**

4/7 Bev Withers. Hospital with a small stroke. Card to home.

9/7 Maggie Reddington. Bad infection requiring intravenous antis. Card and surplus tournament food.

10/7. Barbara Johnstone. Move to rest home and very poorly. Small silk bouquet and Card.

16/7 Michael Mountcastle - Transfer from villa to serviced apartment. Card and visit.

25/7 Helen Grant. Fall and broken nose. Card and visit.

29/7 Adrienne Cudby - Heart attack and surgery in Wellington. Card to home.

30/7 Clodagh Norris. Covid and card delivered to special club worker.

1/8 Mary Burney. Chest infection and confined to bed. Card, soup and visit.

Carol has picked up paper daffodils for Cancer Society, will collect donations and take money to the Cancer Society

### **Health & Safety Report:**

New first aid box on top of cubby holes.

Members have tripped on the plastic mat in front of the servery. Talk of using velcro to hold the mat down. Debbie is to investigate prices of rubberised mats.

### **Inwards Correspondence**

Newsletter No 4 from NZ Bridge

Hokowhitu Daffodil Day Charity Flyer

Mt Maunganui Congress Quiz

NZ Bridge Congress Extra-Curricular Events

Hastings Bridge Club newsletter

Email from Les re fixing roller blind over French doors

Westshore Surf Life saving club thank you for donation

Changes to Charities Services webinar

Email from NCC re club's postal address

Thank you card from Kathleen

Feilding Intermediate tournament flyer

Event Marketing kit from NZ Bridge

NZ Bridge AGM 2024- Agenda, Authorised Delegate, Proposed General Item, Proposed

Remit and instructions for Authorised Delegates

Bridge records from Jo Hayes

Hastings Bridge Club – passing of Life Member, Doug Couchman.

Online Improvers lessons flyer

Constitution of NZ Bridge and covering letter

Club Constitutional Changes Zoom call on 22 August

Email from Annelies and Guss van der Linden re resignation

Taranaki Cystic fibrosis Charity Tournament flyer

Dannevirke Contract Bridge Club Daffodil Day Charity Tournament

Levin Contract Bridge Club Inc Multigrade 8B Swiss Pairs flyer

Havelock North Bridge Club Intermediate Pairs 3B Tournament flyer

Havelock North Bridge Club Junior Pairs 5B Tournament flyer

NZ Bridge new website administration upgrades

Email from Napier Bridge club requesting the loan of 9 bridge pads for a tournament

Havelock north have asked if Taradale still happy to play Haverdale trophy on Sunday 8 September

### **Outwards Correspondence**

Email to Kathleen and Anne re Director Monday night sessions

Email to Carol Fraser thanking her for offering to update our history book and informing her that the Committee is happy not to send cards for members who get covid.

Email to Phyllida re tea coffee and biscuits

Email to Ash thanking him for Pianola reminder to members

Email to Jo thanking her for passing on previous Bridge records

Email to Annelies and Gus van der Linden

### **Matters Arising**

**Room hire.** Debbie and Colin met with the Country Club regarding their room hire fee. It was agreed that from 1 September the Country Club's rental will go up to \$100 per session. Sally to email the Country Club to confirm. The Country Club reiterated their invitation to join them on the 2nd and 4th Sunday every month at approx 1.00pm \$4 includes afternoon tea.

Sally only to print Central Districts flyers. No need to record in the minutes.

Colin spoke to Jo re applying for ECCT Grassroots fund for operating expenses. Jo said we wouldn't qualify for a grant as the rules have changed.

**Website:** Colin rang Steve Baron and informed him that we are going to use Pianola to create a new website. Colin has had help from Hastings Bridge club using Pianola to develop new website. Once that is done, we need to involve a couple of people who are interested in maintaining the website and who would have a link to the Committee. Colin has spoken to Ash and asked him to close the old website.

Logo on club door organised by Debbie. Will be completed by next Wednesday.

Sponsorship – Linda suggested the role could be split into two. One person dealing with Tournament Sponsorship and the other with sponsors in the Membership booklet. Raelyn expressed an interest in taking on the role. Colin will talk to Mike.

Mini Bridge at Taradale High school is going well. Unfortunately, students had to cancel two of the sessions. Meg had mentioned the possibility of offering a class after school. Alison asked if students could be told about the beginner lessons starting next March.

Linda will put up a schedule of directors in the office. Timetabling of directors is now steady.

Jo has provided past records of TBC.

Improvers' lessons went well. There were 11 tables. Another lesson is happening on 7 September and possibly on 5 October. Jo will do 5 October as Alison will be away. Dates for improvers lessons and fun afternoons to be added to next newsletter. Link to a learning point being considered to be added to next newsletter.

Etiquette and Values Trophy –Meg has agreed to put forward a proposal of how this might work.

Colin has given Carol Fraser read-only access to the Admin area of Pianola.

## **General Business**

### **Convenors for next term:**

Monday am – Colin will check with Jim Brown and Anne Dempsey

Monday pm – Helen new convenor. Sally will check with Anne. Kathleen stepping down as convenor but happy to ring and encourage members for Monday night sessions.

Tuesday pm – Linda will check with Trish

Wednesday pm – Linda will check with Ruth & Viv

Thursday am – Teresa will check with Margaret Vaughan

### **Committee for next term: (???) need to be confirmed)**

Resigned - Clodagh, Meg, Robyn, Helen, Karen ???

President Colin

Vice President Debbie plus Colin suggests we try and get another Vice president who would be happy to become President

Hon Secretary Sally, Membership booklet

Linda Smith Tournament Secretary, Director Liaison???

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| Teresa | Hon Treasurer???   |
| Alison | Beginner lessons, Tournament helper, Beginner Member support |
| Sarah  | Membership admin/Masterpoints??                              |
| Viv??  | Club captain??   |
| Raelyn | Sponsorship ???  |
| Debbie | Vice President, Club room hire, Catering team                |

Nominations or offers for committee, sub committee, helpers to be asked for in the next newsletter.

**Create a list of helpers:** (??? need to be confirmed)

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| Sheryn              | Dealing teams??   |
| Margaret V          | Stock control ??? |
| John S              | Maintenance ???   |
| Library             | Karen ???         |
| Carol               | Social Almoner    |
| Promotion/Marketing | ???               |
| It Support          | Pete Hug???       |
| ???                 | Health & Safety   |
| ???                 | Newsletter        |
| Ash???              | Website Admin     |

Review Bridge programme

Monday night sessions 2025 – Offer a series of a Junior playing with a Novice (like Shires) in November next year and possibly this year. Also look at offering a one off session where an Open player plays with a Novice or Junior player.

Adding emails to NZ Bridge – Teresa is happy to add missing emails to NZ Bridge, but wondered about privacy implications. The Committee agreed that Teresa is to add a field to the application form which members tick to indicate they are happy for their email to be sent to NZ Bridge. Notify members via the next newsletter that email addresses will be forwarded to NZ Bridge. It is the policy of the Club not to forward email addresses to any other organisation.

Viv will let Havelock know we're happy to play for Haverdale trophy on Sunday 8 September. She will organise a team from Taradale and take the cup to the event.

Debbie to organise sale of Village Press Oils for October.

Christmas lunch – Debbie to get prices from her friend Di and possibly Jackie from Napier Bridge club.

The meeting closed at 12.45 pm

Next meeting: 10 September at 11 am.