

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE AUCKLAND BRIDGE CLUB HELD IN THE CLUB ROOMS, 273 REMUERA ROAD, AUCKLAND ON 27th AUGUST 2012 AT 5.30PM

APOLOGIES: T Lewis, G Mansell, A Fitzgerald

PRESENT: R Watt, A Morris, J Collins, T Scorer, R Sweetman, P Mulligan, F McRae, A Hopkins, J Wilson J Atkinson

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd July having been circulated, were taken as read and approved.

MATTERS ARISING: **Side Tables** - These will be delivered and assembled on Thursday 30th August. **RESOLVED:** Members to be asked to donate a table.

P Mulligan, A Morris

A Morris, F McRae

These will not be named.

Website - A presentation will be made at Congress with a new website for bridge clubs. A report will be made to the next meeting. Anthony recommended this be done due to the difference between the Club's website and generic sports and similar websites which were not suitable for our needs.

LOGO: - A prize is being offered for design by students (1st \$200, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50) with September 15th being the deadline. Entries will be displayed and members asked to vote for their choice. Noted that the LOGO is required by mid-October at the latest for the programme book 2013.

Fire Plan: This is still being worked on. The Club has a fire plan currently, but this requires updating.

Subscriptions: In addition to the resolution at the meeting 23/7/12 it was further RESOLVED: Associate Members subscription be \$60.00 with \$20.00 discounted if paid by 31/01/2013.

Junior Members subscription be \$40.00 with \$20.00 discounted if paid by 31/01/2013.

J Wilson, R Watt

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS

IN

- 1 Thanks from SHINE (We donated a set of beginners lessons)
- 2 Auckland Council: Valuation-Still to be assessed
- 3 Auckland Rates – less than last year-refer payables. (Also refer other agenda items re grant application)

4 Offer to donate Heartstart FirstAid defibrillator (St Johns Ambulance)

The Club will seek the professional opinion of at least two GPs or very experienced medical practitioners regarding the value of purchasing a defibrillator. In addition, the Remuera Fire Service will be contacted as to the usage of the defibrillator at the Fire Station. R Nicoll to be advised of the steps being taken before a decision is made about his very generous offer.

5 Notice of NZB AGM

The Club will send a document for general business for NZB to work constructively with clubs in the following areas:

- 1) Websites
- 2) Assistance with purchasing and sponsorship
- 3) The NZB 5 year plan be available for discussion
- 4) Results of the Clubs survey be made available
- 5) Communication with Clubs
- 6) Development of players at all levels

7) An obligation for International players to “give back” to Clubs
A Morris to provide the document to send to NZB for the AGM.
RESOLVED: R Watt be the Auckland Bridge Club delegate to
the NZB AGM with A Morris as substitute if R Watt unable to
attend for any reason.

6 Certificates of Proficiency from NZB

These are to give to players when they have received 5 B Points.

OUT	1	Letter to L Hakansson-Sales on Tuesday PM.
	2	Thank you (+vouchers) D Mitchell-Computers

**MANAGER'S
REPORT:**

New Members : Bill Birdling, Jacqui Broadbent, Kay Hegan, Darshani Jayasinghe, Alastair Jobbins, Nancy Shiach (rejoining), Gill West, Phil West

Resignations:, L Adams, N Matthews, D Scarborough

Obituary: F Punnett

MEMBERSHIP 717 members. (741 last year). From the classes this year we have 12 of 44 enrolled have joined to date. Table numbers are better than last year. This time last year was the Rugby World Cup.

TOURNAMENTS

The Billie Tohill and Rosebowl/Trude Leidl are being held on Saturday 1st September.

Presidents Night- Many positive comments have been received from those attending. Well done to the Committee. Currently this is showing a small profit, but I still have expenses to reimburse.

SPONSORSHIP AND ADVERTISING

These need to be confirmed by the end of September for the programme book 2013.

SIDE TABLES

These will be delivered next week and assembled by My Flatpack. A suggestion has been made that we ask members to donate a table.

COMPUTERS

The upstairs computer still needs the scoring programme to be set up. All other upgrades are networked and running. I still have to "rescue" data from Patricks old PC. This will be done in the next week. Scoring for outside clubs still needs to be resolved, but by old computer is being used temporarily. This leaves Patricks PC which has a problem, the other 2 PCs which are now redundant, and my PC which I will need to cover any information that has not been transferred to date.

CLEANING

As discussed at the last meeting, a breakdown of cleaning costs pin pointed the increased costs to two areas:

Ecolab – provides dishwashing chemicals- there was a reduction in the size of product purchased along with an increase in the costs. This amounted to an increase of \$1864 compared with the prior year.

CoffeeZone- providing general cleaning materials, toilet paper and hand towels. This was an increase of \$4234.31. The increased purchases are toilet cleaner, hand towels and toilet paper.

These items are all attributable to an increase in numbers using the rooms. This can be found in the P&L with regard to tournaments run by the Club. (In the nine months we ran more tournaments due to the Rugby World Cup, and have had an increase in attendance). I do not have the numbers that have attended Akarana, Eastern, Probus, Junior Chess, Chess Power, Melting Pot, Luncheons, and various other rentals. We rent the rooms by hour or set rate and not per head.

I have provided this breakdown to the Auditors, prior to their report.

The Committee agreed the old computers be written off as they have no value.

The budget was circulated prior to the meeting.

**TREASURER'S
REPORT:**

The Treasurers report was circulated prior to the meeting.

The AGM in 2013 will be at a later date as the constraints of preparation do not allow for proper process and consideration of the Annual accounts.

The date for the AGM to be resolved at the next meeting for inclusion in the 2013 programme.

The item regarding cleaning was addressed in the Managers report. T Scorer to discuss cleaning items with A Walpole. Quotes still to be obtained.

Resolved: That the Payables be approved for payment.

A Morris, P Mulligan

REPORTS

Growth Plan.

RESOLVED: People commencing Beginners Classes subsequent to 1st July 2012 will be given membership (subject to Committee approval) and a free subscription to December 2013. This excludes the NZB Levy. This membership will be rescinded if the class is not completed to the satisfaction of the Committee.

A Hopkins, F McRae

Newsletters: Newsletters will be circulated to the Committee one week

prior to distribution to Members for any comment or appropriate change that maybe required.

Vouchers: Session tickets will be available for sale from 1st January 2013 in blocks of ten with a 10% discount being given. (Buy nine get one free). All tickets will be named, have an expiry date and a specific reference. Those purchased will have an expiry date of the end of the month of the following year from purchase and the invoice number of purchase as a reference. Tickets given away will have a three (3) month expiry date and the date of the Committee meeting giving approval as reference.

A Hopkins, J Collins

Please note the phrase vouchers will be replaced by tickets in all future reference.

Honorary Life Members will be provided with tickets clearly labelled HONORARY LIFE MEMBER. All tables will provide either tickets or money for all players. Name badges with acknowledgement of Life Membership will be considered for the next (2013) AGM.

Application to the Auckland Council Accommodation Support Fund.

RESOLVED: The Auckland Bridge Club will apply for relief of the full amount of the rates being paid (\$20949.61).

R Watt, R Sweetman

**GENERAL
BUSINESS**

Thanks to Terri-Ann Scorer for President's Night.

Russell Watt thanked the Committee for their efforts over the past nine months especially the departing committee members: Gary Mansell, Terri-Ann Scorer and Fern McRae

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 17th September 2012.

Date: