

Minutes of the Orewa Bridge Club Committee meeting held 17 February 2025

PRESENT

Caroline Goodall, Janice Gillam, Cath Boughtwood, Bridget Gorinski, Judith Hollyer, Mary McQuoid, Paul Duffy, Bronwyn Walker, Peter Furness

APOLOGIES

Amanda Richards

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Approved Cath, seconded Bridget

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Building WOF -\$500 to test the fire alarm. We do not need a full-service management charge. Peter will liaise with the alarm testing company.

New cloths for tables - Mary to measure for felt underlay, purchase and have seamstress cut to size. The seamstress is to cut one, initially, to make sure the size is correct, and then cut the remainder.

Sanitary product receptacle - Bridge is still trying to get in touch with Alisco.

Crest Cleaning - Cath looking for another quote. Stools need to be cleaned.

Fouled Boards - Janice to refer to NZB re fouled boards. Alison's email suggesting using 'skip' for fouled boards is not a fair system for all players. An assigned score needs to be entered, instead of zero, Director should make a scoring decision at time of play or use 'skip' pending scoring at the end of play. This will be mentioned in the newsletter.

8 February Tournament - a very successful tournament with 19 tables playing.

Phantom Positioning - will be changed, e.g. n/s for a series, e/w for the following series.

Bidding cards - new cards have been in play for a few weeks and Bridget advised that the remainder of the cards could be purchased. Cath to organise.

PASS cards – these have been ordered from the printers

Task Allocations - Cath to give each committee member a copy of the task allocations list.

FINANCIAL

Bridget gave her financial report and stated there is an amount of \$4817.39 from Somerset and other sponsors to be allocated for spending. A thank you letter to all sponsors to be sent later in the year advising how their sponsorship money has been spent.

Approved Cath, seconded Bronwyn

CORRESPONDENCE

Sharon Downey, from a knitting and spinning group, requested hiring the rooms once a week for 12-15 people, happy to pay \$30. It was agreed that this was not suitable for the club.

Alison Beer's email re charges for Improver lessons. Janice is to reply saying the committee will stand by the charges agreed upon.

MEMBERSHIP

One new member and one resignation.

Protocol for new membership. The completed form is to be handed to Nicola. When the form has been processed, Nicola will forward an email to the new member advising them of their membership.

"You must consent to be a member of the club" needs to be put on all future application forms for signature.

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Advertising for beginner lessons needs to be posted on our Facebook page. Amanda to do this. Flyers for this year's lessons are to be handed out in as many places as possible.

CONSTITUTION

Mary advised that the sub-committee have almost got the wording sorted for the amended constitution.

It is worth noting that Committee members are liable for problems arising within the club, so liability insurance needs to be sorted.

SPONSORSHIP

Somerset are happy to donate more sponsorship money

Harrison's Flooring wrote saying they would be happy to become a sponsor. An exterior noticeboard was suggested.

Ideas on spending sponsorship money are to be forwarded to Mary.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

The back door has been fixed. Thanks Amanda.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Compass System update - being upgraded and will be ready next year. Cath will advise of any further developments.

Trophies - a cup to be created for the novice with most C points – Cath to organise.

Bronwyn proposed that Heather Moore and Neils Olsen be made life members. This was agreed by the committee. Cath to organise a certificate and Caroline will organise two gift baskets. These will be presented at a future bridge session.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.55pm

NEXT MEETING - Monday 17 March

Caroline Goodall,
President