

Minutes of the Orewa Bridge club meeting held on 8 January 2024

Present: Judith Hollyer, Cath Boughtwood, Nicola Timms, Paul Baldwin, Mary McQuoid,  
Bridget Gorinski, Sandra Cooper, Cherrie England, Bronwyn Walker

Apologies: Caroline Goodall, Amanda Richards, Joanna Willis

Minutes from the last committee meeting were read. It was moved by Bridget, seconded by Sandra that they are true and correct record.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Pass cards done (stop, alert cards need to be looked at in the near future).

A letter to be written to Jenny Robinson to confirm the discussions she had with the committee at the October meeting.

The front path has been completed.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from New Zealand Bridge regarding

Tournament grades for 2024

Rating points for 2024

Reactivating former player records

Updating of club contact details. The invoicing treasurer is to be changed from Allison Beer to Bridget Gorinski.

Board nominations received for NZ B close February/ March if anyone is interested.

NZB requires feedback regarding online and inter- provincial tournaments. It was decided that our club is not a tournament club.

We have had no reply from Alister (NZB) regarding Sandy Regan's Australian directorship qualification. It was decided to send another email to Alister requesting an answer. At present Jenny Robinson is our only active director.

NZB sent a letter re changes to legislation of an incorporated society. Bridget is to look at this.

NZB advised a change of laws a 73 and 89 which will be put on our noticeboard.

An email was received from NZB promoting a teachers conference discussion group. Jenny Robinson is interested in partaking.

An email was received from Grant Jarvis saying he has resigned from the regional committee. Jane Stearn is his replacement.

An email was received from Joanna Willis regarding the privacy act. Our club meets all the requirements (we do not publish email addresses).

Grant from the regional committee advised the club is entitled to \$300 for lesson advertising. It was decided to accept the \$300 but not contribute to the media advertising.

Moved Bridget, seconded Cath.

Jenny Robinson has organised 20 lesson books from Mal, the marketing lady.

Online tournament information is to be put on the noticeboard for those club members that may be interested.

The President brought up the matter of charging \$100 for lessons and membership. She considered this to be too much but as the committee has made a decision it must stand.

Joanne Willis advised that the long-standing cleaner, Judy Lucy, resigned as at 16th of December 2023. Judy did mention that she would be happy to be a backup tea lady for \$40 per session.

From here on in the 8% holiday pay for casual staff is to be added to each pay period (monthly). The committee agreed that anything of a financial nature must be referred to the treasurer i.e. quotes etc.

#### GENERAL

Paying the tea lady on public holidays was discussed. Currently tea lady is paid time and a half with a day off in lieu. Bridget proposed that instead of time and a half and a day off in lieu that we pay her 2.5 times and no day off in lieu. Discussion was held but no decision was made.

Two quotes have been received from commercial cleaners to clean the clubrooms.

Best Cleaning Company - \$125 + GST per clean

Crest Cleaning Company - \$3869 p.a. (\$93 per week). They will send monthly invoice. A unanimous decision from the committee was made to employ Crest Cleaning Company.

Membership - we have 194 financial members and have had several resignations from non-playing members.

Financial - Bridget and Paul to discuss budget figures. Treasurer's report was tabled and approved. Moved Bridget, seconded Cherrie.

Social Bridge - Tuesday and Saturday social bridge is to be removed from the website. Discussion was held about providing a Tuesday social bridge session. It was decided that Jenny's Tuesday evenings are more appropriate for the Bridge Club.

Maintenance - Paul advised that the gables on the building need to be repaired and repainted and the back path needs to be brought up to the standard of the newly repaired front path which was repaired very well. Paul is to get quotes for both jobs.

Bridget pointed out that the drains also need to be cleared.

Kibbutz - it was suggested that new and social members sitting silently and watching an experienced person playing bridge would be helpful to them. Judith is to put this in the January newsletter.

Lessons - when the beginners lessons are halfway through the President will attend an evening and explain the workings and activities of the club.

Tournament - Judith to check the tournament explanation. Is it restricted or is it open? Judith, as

tournament secretary, needs to have access to the Club Tournaments bank account. Before the February meeting the tournament will have been advertised and at the next meeting the afternoon tea and other matters regarding the tournament will be discussed.

Sponsorship - all sponsors from last year have paid. Campbell Cave still to pay his sponsorship for 2024. Sponsorship is to be updated. Mary will do this.

Air conditioning - in the President's newsletter it is to be stated that the air conditioning will be on during the summer months and if people feel the cold please bring a jersey. This was passed by the committee.

Hui - The club was approached by Jane Stearn from the regional committee to ask if they could hire our clubrooms for their Hui, which is to be held in August 2024. The committee agreed as long as there was no clash of dates.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6:12 pm.

Judith Hollyer  
President