

Minutes of the Orewa Bridge Club held on Monday 18th of August 2025

PRESENT: Caroline Goodall, Cath Boughtwood, Judith Hollyer, Mary McQuoid, Paul Duffy, Bronwyn Walker

APOLOGIES: Janice Gillam, Peter Furness

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Due to time restraints the proposed changes to the Teams Event has been deferred to 2026
Approved Mary, seconded Cath

MATTERS ARISING:

Heartsaver - fully operational, new pads put in machine

Econowaste - the club is keeping Econowaste

Hui - Cath circulated information and also pointed out that we can claim \$300 for lesson advertising, etc.

Tablets - Mary reported that the tablets are working well, 7 more to be programmed and she is hopeful that fibre will be connected next year with 2 new wi-fi stations.

Ladies toilets handrails - completed

Asset Register - the Asset Register is now up-to-date. A hard copy is to be kept in the office. Amanda as treasurer is to manage the register. After the AGM a backup person will be named to help her.

Water Cooler - work in progress

Membership Application Form - Cath has circulated the form which is now compliant.

As there were no objections: the form is now to be used.

FINANCIAL:

The financial accounts are very nearly complete.

A monthly table money statement is to be sent to all members. Money is to be moved from the 01 to the 00 account bi-monthly.

Paul Baldwin spoke re the change-over to Bridge NZ saying it has gone relatively smoothly. Reporting is still to be finalised. He is to meet with Cath and Leslee for debrief.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Auckland Council - coffee cart application to use car park - No.

Luca Harnish - received an email from Luca Harnish (Carol Harnish's granddaughter). She wishes to join the club sometime next year. She will be attending the August Sunday tournament and Cath will partner her.

Room Hire - request from Amy Adams to use the club rooms for a weekly Parkinsons exercise group of approximately 30. More information is to be requested from her but generally the committee were happy for the group to go ahead at community rates.

UPDATES

MEMBERSHIP - Amanda Cath and Mary are finalising roles. Barbara Fitzgerald has applied to become a full member. No new members this month

STRATEGIC PLANNING - information is on the club website

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Intermediate lessons to be held last Friday of the month, 10.30-noon. The first one will cover multi 2's, tartan 2's and unusual 2's. \$5 per person.
- Paul has spoken to Jenny re the above and she is quite happy. Jenny wishes to concentrate on beginners and has ideas to encourage them to play and become members of the club. For example, 1 day of a weekly session juniors play their own competition; A Buddy system - draw a name out of the hat for partners for a session.

CONSTITUTION

As the latest constitution filed is the 2020 version, there may be an issue with the date of the AGM. Lawyer is to advise.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

- Amanda presented a quote from drainlayer to create proper drainage outside front entrance. It was decided that it would be appropriate that the work be done over the summer break. The committee will look at again later this year.
- Amanda and Cath have removed the bromeliads from the front garden. \$500 was approved for the purchase of appropriate plants to be planted. Kath Clark has said she is happy to maintain the garden.

BRIDGE NZ

The scoring system is going well. Cath to investigate the scoring procedure for teams and tournaments.

SPONSORSHIP - Mary has this matter in hand and is looking, always, for more sponsors to come on board.

GENERAL BUSINESS

LOVELOCK PAIRS - it has been suggested that we hold it at Orewa this year. Mary is to see if it could be sponsored. An email (via the newsletter) to be sent to all members to gauge numbers.

NORTH HARBOUR TEAMS CHALLENGE - Orewa won the competition this year and has the pleasure of hosting next year's challenge. It was agreed that membership rules be relaxed a little as per Warkworth's summing up of the challenge.

ANRC NEWSLETTER - this will be put on the website.

ALCOHOL LICENCE - getting there!! "Servewise Qualified" is required by all who serve behind the bar. It is a free qualification which is available on the above mentioned website.

A Visitors Book is required to sign in guests.

Cab notices must be displayed in 3 places.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Caroline presented Paul Baldwin with a dinner voucher as a thank you for the tremendous amount of work he has put into the club.
- Mary Mennie - to be held Sunday 14 September, Sandy to direct. We enter 3 junior teams and 3 intermediate teams.
- 2026 programme Booklet – discussion was held re format for next year. Cath to start work preparing the booklet.

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

Caroline Goodall
President