

MINUTES OF THE HOWICK BRIDGE CLUB MEETING 9 JUNE 2024 AT 3PM

PRESENT: Leo Sim, Jane Thomlinson, Mary Wood, Dave Christian, Peter McLean, Richard Andrew, Pat Williams, Alan Sheath

APOLOGIES: Rose Isherwood, Heather Green, Lenice Clarkson

MINUTES of the previous meeting held 19 May 2024

Moved and seconded the minutes be accepted

Leo / Jane

MATTERS ARISING

- Answerphone message still to be installed
- Descaling of steriliser has been carried out
- Peter McLean and Leo will be standby for Hospice Tournament

CORRESPONDENCE

Circulated and discussed. All upcoming tournament info displayed in club room.

- Pat will forward PDF of Ultra Tournament poster to Dave
- Leo will attend online meeting with Jane Stearns in lieu of Rose's absence

MEMBERSHIP (Jane) as emailed to all committee

- 182 members (+ 2 on last month)
- 1 returning member – Elly Day and 1 youth who was missed off list
- Dave and Jane have reconciled NZ Bridge's member list with our Compass list and believe they are now both aligned.
- Membership breakdown – 4 Life member – 9 Youth, 3 Secondary, 170 Ordinary
- 1 new member from lessons still to pay \$25 joining fee, Rose will follow up
- Ivy and Johnson archived and reinstated in same week, going away again and will pay sub on their return. In the meantime if they play they will be charged as visitors (\$10 each).

FINANCIAL REPORT (Jane) as emailed to all committee

As expected, the painting cost (\$8700) and insurance renewal (\$8036) wiped out our net profit and ate into our cash reserves. Our \$10,000 term deposit matures on 10/5 to cover these costs. Our three sponsors have all renewed their support and have confirmed the same amounts as last year. Jane managed to get a \$600 reduction in insurance premium. Next year we will look at increasing excess (currently \$500) with a view to reducing premium.

YTD Key Financial Results

- Total income \$73,278 (\$2027 ahead of budget)
- Total expenses \$76,429 unfavourable to budget due to the R & M
- Total interest income \$2,087
- Total Net Loss **\$1063.52**

Moved and seconded the Financial Statement be accepted

Jane / Leo

CLUB EVENTS (Dave)

- Dave will email all HBC members who qualify for Ultra Tournament
- Tournament 29 June, entries ongoing
- Hospice Tournament currently 15 tables, Peter directing and Richard scoring.
- Nicky and Peter will direct for Dave in his absence
- Dave will check with Chris (Tinkler) when he is away and will direct for him with perhaps Kevin and Lysandra on 'standby' if required.

PUBLICITY/LESSONS (Rose/Leo)

- Leo and Peter will put lesson advertising boards up Monday 24 June.
- Rose has organised Digital copy for local paper
- Richard and Leo will fill in for Rose in her absence

HEALTH & SAFETY (Heather)

- Automatic doors checked 5/6
- Defibrillator serviced
- Ventilation also checked

RENTALS (Lenice/Alan)

- Alan checked out Tenancy Agreements/Terms and Conditions online.
- Need to meet with Lenice to check what is required.

R & M (Leo)

- Painting checked by Leo and Richard
- Signage – Roger will quote
- Honours Boards – ongoing for acceptable gold colour match

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Tuesday pm - Staggered start has been 'fixed' with two sections to accommodate newbies.
- (Dave) - great feedback from members re Constitution, Dave will update
- (Dave) – excellent feedback from Thursday evening play survey – on-line more popular. Richard happy to do Thursday f2f and on-line simultaneously, combined scores. Richard/Kevin/Dave/Leo, need to discuss dual aspect, feedback required.

Sponsors (Alan)

- All current sponsors have renewed.
- Need to look after sponsors, invite to Christmas/Birthday party
- Alan will update Sponsorship information in Manual.
- Peter will be looking after Sponsorship, renewals and new

Intermediate Lessons (Leo/Dave)

- Dates 11th, 18th and 25 August – 10:30 start – gold coin donation.
- Topics – Stayman and transfers – Leads – 3rd in play – signalling – declarer play in suit contract
- Leave half hour free to discuss 'problem' boards.

Meeting closed at :30pm – Next meeting Sunday 14 July 2024