

MINUTES OF THE HOWICK BRIDGE CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING 14 SEPTEMBER 2025

PRESENT: Rose Isherwood, Lenice Clarkson, Pat Williams, Lana Ashley, Dave Christian, Jane Thomlinson, Richard Andrew

Quorum requirements not met per Constitution so meeting differed from formal format.

APOLOGIES: Peter McLean, Mary Wood, Heather Green, Geraldine Rose, Leo Sim

REGISTER OF INTERESTS:

- Pat, Jane, Dave and Richard are employees of the club.
- Lenice has Ryman shares.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Replacement cups discussed, eg “Dawn Built Memorial Cup” – replacement cost about \$250 with square base. All agreed this was necessary. We will retain old cups for now, but it was discussed they can be sold and melted down for the metal. Winners of these cups are recorded on Honours Boards so there will be nothing lost.
- Nat has asked that “trophies” be awarded to winners of “Club Player of the Year” (member for 10 years) and “Veterans Trophy” member for 25 years) Cost of trophies \$20 - \$25 each.
- Tony Turner has indicated he will donate trophy in honour of Bruce, Rose looking at wooden swamp Kauri propellor, which would be particularly relevant memorial for Bruce. Perhaps to be awarded for “Most Grand Slams”.
- Rose will organise repair of oven door (or replacement, depending on cost)
- As well as replacing velvet table covers and rubbish bins.
- 65 inch TV for back wall will be purchased this week from Noel Leeming with 3 year warranty. Total cost of \$1874.05 will include TV cost, delivery, tilting brackets, installation and setup.
- Another set of table numbers will be printed by Richard and Rose.
- Future New World vouchers presented for prizes will increase from \$10 to \$12.50 value.
- Rose thanked Richard and Dave for getting Tournament winners sorted.
- The threshold for Auditing is \$140k. As we don’t have to have accounts audited, we will not do so. (criteria :if you don’t earn over \$190,000 it is not necessary).
- Membership 189
- Financial Report emailed to committee by Jane.

CLUB EVENTS:

- Club session results will be emailed to players, unnecessary to have reams of paper results on back wall
- New session report (for Directors) designed by Dave and copy in file
- Papatoetoe and Howick clubs will combine for Loveblock (17 October) to be held at Papatoetoe this year. Entry page now on NZ Bridge website under Papatoetoe Bridge Club.
- Tournaments - No 3As next year. June we will have a 3B next to a 5B – September a 3A Restricted next to a 5B.
- Undecided on Drawn Pairs – further discussion required.
- Monday handicap seems to be working.

HEALTH & SAFETY (Lana)

AED strap broken but it doesn’t make any difference to us.

RENTALS (Lenice).

Lenice to advise tenants that because of the Hot Rod show 20/21 September, parking will be at a premium.

Meeting closed at 4:30pm

Next meeting Sunday 12 October 2025 at 3pm at the clubrooms