

## MINUTES OF THE HOWICK BRIDGE CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING 14 JANUARY 2025 AT 7:30PM

**PRESENT:** Rose Isherwood, Lenice Clarkson, Leo Sim, Richard Andrew, Dave Christian, Lana Ashley, Jane Thomlinson, Geraldine Rose, Peter McLean, Heather Green, Pat Williams.

**APOLOGIES:** Mary Wood

### REGISTER OF INTERESTS

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

**MINUTES** of the previous meeting held 8 December 2024

Moved and seconded the Minutes be accepted as true and correct.

Pat / Heather

### MATTERS ARISING

- Monday night Handicap system explained in document Lysandra wrote up and handed out to members present.
- Re Thursday evening low attendance, Leo suggested we look at introducing HC system on Thursday as well which may attract some of the Monday night players to attend as well.
- Jujitsu has outstanding debit from October which we are confident will be paid.
- Jujitsu area to display notices sorted by Lenice
- Expect Programme books to be delivered this week. We will consider alternative printer for next year.
- Compass sorted.
- Webpage still to do.

### CORRESPONDENCE

- As distributed and noted on Agenda.
- Dave will circulate Tournament Schedule (NZB request) to selective members.

Moved and seconded the Correspondence be accepted

Pat / Jane

### MEMBERSHIP (as emailed to committee)

- 51% of members have paid their subs (\$9,757 as at 10.01.25).
- Subs for 92 members remain unpaid (\$9,264). A reminder email was sent 11.01.25

### FINANCIALS (as emailed to committee)

At the end of our first financial quarter for 2025, the financials are tracking nicely with a Year-to-Date Net Profit of \$4,953 - a direct result of subscriptions collected over December totalling \$6,845.

### Key YTD Results:

- Income \$24,871 with all income lines tracking to budget.
- Expenditure \$20,687 and although overall this is within budget, some line variances are noted:
  - NZ Bridge - Master Points: over budget by \$632 due to the carry-over of last year's tournaments points charged after our 2024 year end.
  - Prizes & Presentation: over budget by \$1,358 due to engraving costs of \$1,100
- Interest Income \$769
- Net Profit \$4,953 against a budget of \$4,775.
- Grant money received includes GST (paid 6 monthly)

Moved and seconded acceptance of Financial statements

Jane / Leo

### CLUB EVENTS

- Dave has discussed Improvers Lessons with Chris – suggest repeat of last year's 3 lessons
- Feedback required – we will change or repeat.
- Possible start late February.
- Also lessons on – Doubles – Defence to Pre-empt openers – Scoring.

## TEACHING & PUBICITY

Re BBQ at Bunnings

- Peter advised sausages at 50c each and frozen onions will be purchased from Mad Butcher Glen Innes.
- 20 loaves of sliced Norths Bread from Warehouse at \$1.50 loaf.
- Therefore – white bread, sausages, onions, sauce, mustard.
- Peter has permission to purchase 350 sausages and will be reimbursed for all expenses
- Personnel, Peter McLean, Leo Sim, Bill McKinnon + rostered members to be organised (letter)
- Chilly bins and Ice
- Lesson material to be handed out plus NZB kit, our flag etc.
- Rose advised, excellent photo of Anne Sim on video advertising lessons.

## REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

Toilet enhancements

- Meeting with contractor Regency who will update pricing as changes have been made.
- Downstairs urinals first on agenda and will take about 2 weeks.
- Upstairs start date – Regency checking availability of some items and will advise.
- By February 2026 Leo will write report to Lottery Commission advising how much money spent and what it was spent on.
- Committee committed to spend , 2/3 Grant, 1/3 Club, but very aware and mindful that our 1/3 spend is 'clawed back' to a commitment not over and above what is manageable for the club's finances.
- Rose expects subcommittee to keep all on committee informed at all times.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Nats generous donation acknowledged by a grateful committee.
  - Dave discussed Nats suggestions for 2 new cups to be funded from Nats donation. When awarded, each cup will come with a small personalised award which the recipient can keep permanently.
  - **'Howick Bridge Club Player of the Year'**
  - Only members who have been continuous members for 10 years at 1 January are eligible to win this trophy.
  - Based on the same calculation as the Points Cup, but aggregating all regular weekday sessions.
  - Points for any particular session only count if the player has played with 6 different partners in that session.
  - **'Howick Bridge Club Veteran's Trophy'**
  - Only members who have been continuous members for 25 years at 1 January and have not previously won the trophy are eligible to win this trophy. (Can only be won once).
  - Based on total C points earned at regular club sessions.
  - Dave will check 'Honours Board' status with Nat

Moved and seconded acceptance of Nats donation

Dave / Rose

2. Rose asked for Magnetic fly screens for windows, Leo says easy to fit

Moved and seconded acceptance to purchase fly screens

Rose / Leo

3. Keys for Geraldine and Lana (Lenice)
4. Donation board needs to be updated
5. Designated jobs list – Pat will email current list to all

Meeting closed at 9:00pm

Our next scheduled meeting is Sunday 9 February 2025 at 3pm