

CAMBRIDGE CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB (INC)

Minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday, 13th July 2023 at 16h25 at the Clubrooms, Fort Street, Cambridge.

Present: Paul (Chair), Allison, Bill, Ailsa, Michael, Ian, Anna, Mary

Apologies: Barb, Kevin, Bev

1. Welcome Paul welcomed those present to the meeting

2. Confirmation of Minutes – Thursday, 15th June 2023 (Proposed Paul, Seconded Ian)

3. Matters Arising

Jan Spaans not going to NZ Bridge AGM. Cambridge will not field a delegate.

4. Treasurer's Report

Motion accepted to ratify the purchase of the new dealing machine \$7,208. (Proposed Kevin, Seconded Ian)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- **Inwards:**

25/06 NZ Bridge – Communications, Marketing, Relationships appointment – Mel Auld
Follow up to Ian's message to Waikato Clubs. Hamilton has a problem with scoring. Jan would step up to do this, but only if event was in Cambridge.

- **Outwards:**

6. MAINTENANCE REPORT

Bridge Tables – last two repaired tables are back. Any issues with tables into the future should be brought to the attention of Bill.

Lawn mowing – Kevin and sub-committee are engaged with the Council re a lease. The lawn cutting will be an issue to consider.

Bill's grandson will continue to mow the lawns under Bill's guidance until Kevin has concluded the lease of the building with the Council.

Fire Extinguishers – have been serviced (Geoff).

Roofing – spouting to be cleaned.

7. Health and Safety

A fire drill once every six months needs consideration.

8. Sixes

Planning is on going and all appears under control.

Vicki is tidying up teams.

Paul/Bill to fetch stuff from Hamilton.

Quiz. 4 lots of 6. Ian. Sport themed.

Introduction of Teams – Clare

Sponsorship gifts – Mary

Raffles – Bev with Anne

9. Club room/Council Lease

Wednesday, 26th July. Sub committee meeting with Council Representative. Vosper Law is Club attorney.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

a) **Beginner lessons – 7 June** 16th August is the welcome night.

b) **WhatsApp Communication Platform** – working well

c) **Commence planning for 2024 programme – Paul** will take over sponsorship from Mary in 2024. Teams event suggested as at Matamata \$8 table fees. Outside players. Monday night in September.

Kevin bought a printer. What to do? Keep both or only one? To be decided.

Next meeting: 10th August 2023

a) **B2F Teams.** Went well.

b) **WAP in Cambridge – 21 May** Went well.

c) **Hamilton Club/ Dealing machine.** It was felt that clubs help each other. No further action other than a card of thanks need be taken.

d) **Fairlands Trophy – 11 June** 14 pairs enrolled

9. Sixes

On going organisation. Ailsa to book Directors into Cambrian Lodge and to send a confirmation email to Murray and Caroline. Dinner at Onyx booked. Posters for décor coming in.

Food/lunch underway.

Club captain to call for raffles donations and soon a call for morning and afternoon tea “treats” and helpers will be put out. Bev taken on raffles in Anne’s absence.

Other

Agreed that: Club Captains report and Health and Safety should be on every Agenda.

Paul advised:

- i) NZ Master fees to increase from November (for tournaments)
- ii) NZ Bridge are looking for a Marketing Manager.
- iii) The AED arrangement with St John’s needs to be tidied up and communicated to members. Action: Paul

Michael said that some clubs struggle with the individual event each year. His solution is for clubs to reserve e.g. the first playing date of each month as a Pair Partnership. The remaining weeks can be played with individual partners or as a partnership series. The best individual score is taken at the end of the year as the individual winner.

It was agreed that we look at this before next year’s book is printed.

Monday morning play is played as a gross result. The handicap was omitted from our current book in error. Next year this can be changed/corrected.

The meeting closed at 5:25 pm

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