

Meeting Minutes



Meeting Name	Committee meeting
Location	Cambridge Bridge Club Clubrooms, 14 Fort Street, Cambridge
Date	Wednesday 11 February 2026
Time	5:15 pm
Chair	Clare Coles
Minutes	Raelene Taylor
Attendees	Clare Coles, Kim Grounds, Anna Singlewood, Anne Tankard, Karen Payne, Kevin Whyte, Michael Neels, Raelene Taylor, Robyn Pell, Rod Fox.
Apologies	Rod Fox – arrived at 6:15pm, Mikayla Lewis

Item	Details	Owner
1	Welcome Clare welcomed everyone and noted a special thanks to Ian Millward who has resigned from the committee.	
3	Matters Arising None	
3	Outstanding Actions	
AQ	<p>50th Anniversary – Saturday 4 July</p> <p>Karen reported:</p> <p>Anniversary sub-committee have met. Following are recommendations and suggestions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Branding: Very important. “Little Club with the Heart of Gold”. On T-shirts; pens; posters; plus a significant banner for inside the Clubrooms. Showed mockups – black and gold. All thought very impressive. 2. T-shirts and pens would be available for members to purchase. T’s approx. \$20. 3. Robyn to source pens and branding options. 4. Interior club decorating to feature gold hearts on walls to complement the banner. 5. Interior themed decorations ashtrays, fake cigarettes, things from the 70’s. <p>Clare proposed a budget of \$200 for initial decoration purchases. Raelene seconded: Carried.</p> <p>Proposed format for the day. All at Clubrooms with a 70’s theme for the day.</p> <p>Commence 12 noon. Lunch. Iconic 70’s food – yet to be decided. Sausage rolls, cheese and pineapple on sticks, etc.</p> <p>After lunch PowerPoint presentation of club history. Bob providing content. Bob and Mikayla developing the presentation.</p> <p>Cake cutting – oldest and youngest member to facilitate (to be decided)</p>	Karen

	<p>Speeches (to be decided)</p> <p>Play bridge – draw for partners. A few “old” style boards to be played.</p> <p>Drinks and conviviality with a finish time at 4pm (approx.)</p> <hr/> <p>Canvas for original members – numbers?</p> <p>Original members to be invited – no charge</p> <p>Maximum member numbers (including originals) 80.</p> <p>Suggested cost \$20 per head. To be discussed and confirmed.</p>	
BC	<p>Funding application</p> <p>Application made to Pub Charity for Power Board upgrade. Karen advised more info had been given – now awaiting decision.</p> <p>New cards and / or new boards. Cards approx. \$200 per box; 3 sets of boards \$210 (32 boards). Revisit next meeting.</p>	Karen
B	<p>Report to Charities Commission</p> <p>March deadline - WIP</p>	Kevin
C	<p>Alternative printing options for future printing needs investigated – WIP.</p> <p>Discussion – unless doing a complete redesign perhaps best to retain current state.</p>	Mike
D	<p>Bridge in Garden – 15 February – 1:30pm for 2:00pm</p> <p>44 members to attend.</p> <p>Subcommittee: Kim, Mike, Clare will work with Linda Farr</p> <p>Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meat – Clare and Kim Drinks – Club Provides Salad / deserts – members via Clipboard BBQ and van – Anne. Anne asked for extra gas bottle – Mike will provide Tables – Paul will collect Friday. Glasses etc. – Clare and Iant to meet at clubrooms at 11:30am to collect and transport. <p>Extras discussed and needed – chilly bins, ice, sun umbrellas. Need one or two more.</p> <p>Scoring: Mike</p> <p>Directing: Clare</p> <p>Linda Farr’s address: 2/568 Maungatautari Road, Karapiro</p>	
I	<p>New World – authority cards</p> <p>Clare reported that NW keep no record on who has authority cards.</p> <p>Register to be set up of current card holders</p> <p>Kevin requests all dockets to be named and signed at the checkout</p>	<p>Anna</p> <p>Raelene</p>
K	Dispute resolution – Conflict resolution management	

	Proposed policy discussed and with minor changes was accepted. Discussion to be had with Vicki regarding a specific Policy and Procedures folder in Dropbox for only the current version of these. Old versions to be transferred to an Archive folder	Clare Raelene
4	2026 Planner – not discussed	

5	Treasurer's Report Kevin tabled report Extensive discussion regarding power prices and comparisons that were tabled. Contributing factors to increased costs: More sessions being played; renovation work; general increase in power pricing. Kevin suggested remaining in the current situation for at least this year to gauge more normal usage and market conditions. Session catering expenses of some concern. More sessions being played may account for increased costs. Anna to do a small sample (one week) of consumption. Cleaner expenses: Much discussion regarding costs and requirements. Clare proposed hours increased to 2 hours weekly to enable a more, full clean of non-regular cleaning (windowsills, skirting, etc). Seconded by Anna; Carried. Proposed Treasurer Report be accepted: Kevin / Mike: Carried.	Anna
6	Playing committee report Karen reported. Junior tournament: Director Pam; Scorer Mike. \$30 per Junior as last year. Robyn has agreed to be Tournament Secretary going forward. Sixes: Different Directors for 2026 – local ones only. Waikato Interclub: 21 June. CBC has offered to host. St John's have been booked for this. Pam will advise Nick Saunders of details. Jan to score. Donation to St John post event. Monday morning sessions: More handicap sessions to be included for 2027. (2026 have 4; 2027 to have 8). Director Training: Pam has underway. Tossing for seating: Coins to remain in containers for use in each session Tuesday Banter and Bridge: Request was made for an experienced player to be present at each session to partner various members to facilitate extra learning. Beverley Morris has offered to do this. Accepted with much thanks. Note for Newsletter: Monday night sessions are not appropriate for inexperienced or new players.	Karen

7	New Members Applications New Member process and protocol Policy discussed, and with minor amendments was accepted. To reinforce this Policy the following motion was put: Motion: That all prospective new members, whether transfers from another club (sometimes direct by NZB), or joining as an affiliate or from lessons, must be approved by the committee at the committee's next meeting. If the prospect is unknown they must play three club sessions before their application can be considered." Moved Clare; Seconded Raelene: Carried.	
8	Health and Safety – review in March Anna asked that the 27 January incident be discussed. Health and Safety - regular inspections and report	Anna Raelene
9	Correspondence Inwards: Resignation letter received from Ann Maclure. Letter received from Ian Millward resigning from Club Committee Email from David Sergeant – discuss in March Allison Vince - Alma: Card to Juie Rope Outwards: Acknowledgement letter to Ann Maclure	
10	General Business	
11	Any Other Business Discussion regarding costs of all completed building remedial works. Clare reinforced the requirement to obtain quote(s) as required, and then approval from the committee (or delegated sub-committee) prior to confirming go ahead with supplier.	
12	Close Meeting Clare closed the meeting at 6:45pm. Next meeting Wednesday 18 March; 5:15pm at clubrooms.	