

Agenda: Ballarat Bridge Club Committee Meeting Monday 13th November, 10.00 am, 2023

Attendance: Anne Beck, Bruce Morley, Trish Farney, Kaye McFarlane. Clare Beer, Annette Pearce, Ian Gunn, Margaret Whitefield, Leigh Dunne, Anne Woods, Geoff Dwyer, Brian Hassett.

Apologies: nil

Minutes of previous meeting: Secretary Kaye McFarlane

Acceptance of previous minutes (9th October 2023) : moved Anne Beck, 2nd Clare Beer.
Carried

Reports:

President's Report Anne Beck

1. Random Free Day: Thursday 12th October
2. Cup Day Event: \$25.00 pp (\$10.00 food, \$15.00 betting). 22 participants
3. Beginners Lessons commence 21st October, previous participants invited. \$25.00 pp. 5 participants
4. AGM Minutes distributed
5. Members contact details 'Black Book' to be edited and published after Annual Membership fee payment closes 31st March 2024
6. 5th workshop with Martin Wilcox 14th November

Acceptance of President's Report:

Treasurer's report 31st October

The Financial reports for 31 / O c t / 2 0 23 shows a Loss of **-\$6,821.54** resulting in a loss of **-\$5,525.16** ytd

Monthly Expenditure \$ 10,591.65

Exceptional expenses :

Solomon Flooring %0% dep on new flooring 7991.00

Monthly Income \$3,770.11

Exception Income:

EGV- rent July-Sept 1750.00

Bank Balance acc: 143932572 as at 31/Oct/2023 16715.94

Balance Term deposit acc: 14452879 31/Oct/2023 64876.64

Total at Bank \$ 81,592.58

Fees paid in advance @ 31/Oct/2023 \$ 1,698.00

Term Deposit matures in 14 Nov 23 - advice with current rates should arrive in mail soon.

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report: moved Trish Farney, 2nd Ian Gunn. Carried

Correspondence: Kaye McFarlane

Incoming:

1. Director's Course, hosted by the Geelong Bridge Club, on the weekend of November 11th & 12th.
2. Victorian Bridge Association, Viv Darcey (Company Secretary): Nominations for Special Councillor position invited. To be submitted by 13th November
3. Australian Bridge Federation Statement: \$467.84; Ballarat Congress \$229.00, charges \$229.15
4. Annual Statement sent to Consumer Affairs: paid \$63.00 service fee
5. Australian Bridge Federation Magazine October edition
6. Telstra invoice: due 02 Nov 2023 \$132.20
7. Bendigo Bank: time for term deposit review
8. Victorian Bridge Centre Congress flyer: Nov 25-26
9. Australian Bridge Federation: reports Congress and promotions MP's
10. Election of Bridge Victoria's Operation Committee & BV Bulletin for November
11. Brett Anderson, Facilities Team/Maintenance, City of Ballarat: Response to Leigh Dunne's email identifying maintenance issues
12. Central Highlands Water: Invoice \$432.56 due 4th December
13. Colin Jasper, My Australian Bridge Federation: notification of software developed for Bridge Clubs running on line events

Outgoing:

1. Congress dates request October 12th & 13th 2024 to Laurie Kelso
2. Welcome letter sent to Fay Mitchell and Peter Milne
3. Signed Copy of Sub Lease with Embroiderer's Guild Victoria (Ballarat Branch) sent to Nicholas Venville, (Property Manager, City of Ballarat)
4. To Nicholas Venville from Leigh Dunne: Notice of maintenance issues; outside down pipes broken, removal of old spouting rubbish, boundary fence is collapsing, pot hole/road maintenance. Confirmation of request for the removal of gas stove in kitchen

Acceptance of correspondence: Moved Kaye McFarlane, 2nd Anne Woods. Carried

Reports: Committee

- Kaye McFarlane – Financial Report to Consumer Affairs. Minutes of year 2022-2023 filed/stored.
- Bruce Morley -
- Ian Gunn –
- Trish Farney –
- Brian Hassett -
- Annette Pearce – Has updated online and received accreditation for ‘Safe Food Handler Certification’
Is collecting \$25.00 pp for Christmas Lunch Monday 4th December
- Leigh Dunne – Will contact Nicholas Venville to set up removal of gas stove in readiness for new vinyl installation on wet areas
- Clare Beer – Cup Day event was very successful. Club subsidy to be determined with event costing
- Margaret Whitefield –
- Anne Woods – aims to increase member usage of web site. Will look into setting up a ‘Social Page’ with member interaction.
- Geoff Dwyer -

Acceptance of Reports: Moved Geoff Dwyer, 2nd Annette Pearce. Carried

Business arising from previous meeting/general business:

1. Evaluation of face-to-face play with COVIDSafe Plan:
Unprotected coughing is causing concern. Members to be requested to employ the recommended protocol for coughing safely: cough into the elbow; use a clean tissue; dispose of tissues in the bins provided at each table immediately; sanitize hands.
2. Ballarat Congress 2024 and Other Competition Events
Many issues are associated with the delivery of these stand alone events:
Some being -

- * limited member interest in participating;
- * insufficient physical support with set-up, maintenance of physical resources through the event duration and consequential clean-up;
- * limited physical capacity/mental endurance for commitment required

‘That a request be made for expressions of interest from the members to form a Competition Sub-committee that will report to the General Committee.’ Moved Anne Beck, 2nd Bruce Morley. Carried

It was noted that if a Sub-Committee cannot be formed the future of such events is in doubt

3. Floor coverings wet areas. Deposit paid \$7991.00 to Solomon Flooring. Booked for Thursday 18th-21st January
4. Bendigo Ashes 2024: Ballarat Bridge Club will suggest to Bendigo Bridge club that the Bendigo Ashes remain as a Pairs Event, commence at 10.00 am and be held Saturday 15th March. Confirmation not received

New Business:

1. Task allocation committee and club members. List was discussed for upgrading
2. Christmas closure. Close December 21st December. Reopen Tuesday 9th January. New Years Eve Pizza and Play Sunday 31st December
3. Term deposit: investment terms.
‘That the Ballarat Bridge Club accept the Bendigo Bank 4.75% interest for a 12 month term for \$64,876.64 currently at term deposit’ moved Trish Farney, 2nd Geoff Dwyer. Carried

Business for next meeting:

1. Competition Sub-committee nomination results
2. Task allocation
3. Removal of oven

Next meeting: Monday, December 11th 10.00 am

Meeting closed: 12.12 pm