Minutes: Ballarat Bridge Club Committee Meeting Monday 15th January, 10.00 am, 2024

Attendance: Anne Beck, Bruce Morley, Geoff Dwyer, Margaret Whitefield, Clare Beer, Ian Gunn, Anne Woods, Trish Farney, Kaye McFarlane'

Apologies: Brian Hassett, Annette Pearce.

Minutes of previous meeting: Secretary Kaye McFarlane

Acceptance of previous minutes (11th December 2023): moved Kaye McFarlane, 2nd Margaret Whitefield. Carried

Reports:

President's Report Anne Beck

- 1. Random Free Day: Thursday 21st December
- 2. Replacement of vinyl in wet areas Floor coverings wet areas. Deposit paid \$7991.00 to Solomon Flooring. Booked for Friday 19th-Sunday 21st January Removal / relocation of refrigerators and contents, dishwasher in affected areas to be finalized Thursday 18th after Bridge session. No Bridge Saturday 20th January.
- 3. No internet since December 21st 2023. Telstra to repair
- 4. Security Sensors are creating false alarms/callouts. Will be replaced by the Club's security provider Neptic Security systems
- 5. Responsible Server of Alcohol Accreditation Certificates have been renewed and will be current for 3 years by: Anne Beck, Clare Beer, Bruce Morley.
- 6. Martin Wilcox: Programme for 2024: a final session. Tuesday 13th February is scheduled

Acceptance of President's Report: moved Anne Beck, 2nd Clare Beer. Carried

Treasurer's report: 31st December

The Financial reports for 31/Dec/2023 shows a loss of -\$1,288.25

resulting in a loss of -\$6,021.77 ytd

_Monthly Expenditure \$ 1,910.38

Exceptional expenses:

Christmas breakup subsidy \$ 333.40 Annual Insurance \$ 355.00 Liquor licence \$ 324.54

Monthly Income \$622.12

Exception Income:

 Bank Balance acc: 143932572 as at
 31/Dec/2023

 Balance Term deposit acc: 14452879
 31/Dec/2023

Total at Bank \$ 81,075.97

14253.03

66822.94

Fees paid in advance @ 31/Dec/2023 \$ 1,434.00

Term Deposit reinvested till 14 Nov24 @ 4.75%



Acceptance of Treasurer's Report: moved Trish Farney, 2nd Geoff Dwyer. Carried

Correspondence: Kaye McFarlane

Incoming:

- 1. Invoice Printer support: \$100.41
- 2. Telstra invoice Dec 2023: \$137.19
- 3. Liquor Licence renewal: \$324.54
- 4. Bridge Victoria: Festive Greetings & report from Colin Jasper re: Bridge Operating Committee progress
- 5. NWP invoice Oct-Dec: \$160.00 (\$1.00/player)
- 6. Master Points reports (includes Invoice for green points plus capitation fee for x3 new members \$112.87; membership list)

- 7. Yarra Valley Congress: Feb 3rd
- 8. Finesse Bridge Holidays 2024: African Safari; Bowral; Nambucca Heads; Airlee Beach; Terrigal; Hobart
- 9. Jenny Leviston, Secretary Ballarat Western Croquet Club: Invitation to Unveiling of Croquet Club refurbishment, 30th January, 11 am

Outgoing: nil

Acceptance of correspondence: Moved Kaye McFarlane,

Reports: Committee

- Kaye McFarlane notice of annual Membership fee payment 2024 (see draft). To be endorsed by committee for distribution (via email to members).
- Bruce Morley -
- Ian Gunn -
- Trish Farney –
- Brian Hassett -
- Annette Pearce –
- Leigh Dunne after removal of dishwasher and stove from kitchen has painted spaces behind
- Clare Beer New Years Eve Pizza night. Pizzas had unexpectedly increased significantly in price since last purchased in 2023. X10 participants
- Margaret Whitefield –
- Anne Woods Updated website with new dates for 2024
- Geoff Dwyer -

Acceptance of Reports: Moved Anne Beck, 2nd Clare Beer. Carried

Business arising from previous meeting/general business:

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 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 by the 12th February 2024 to form a Competition Sub-committee that will report to the General Committee." Moved Anne Beck, 2nd Clare Beer. Carried

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

3. 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 of details not received.

Members wishing to participate please register on notice board

New Business:

- 1. New member: Maxine Hannah moved Anne Beck, 2nd Ian Gunn. Carried and thus accepted
- 2. New member: Tonia Wels moved Anne Beck, 2nd Ian Gunn. Carried and thus accepted
- 3. Anne Beck to attend the opening of the refurbished Croquet Club rooms, 30th January

Business for next meeting:

- 1. Competition Sub-committee: report
- 2. Martin Wilcox session 15th February 2024: possible topics rules, etiquette, use of Bridgemates, leads, Q & A?

Next meeting: Monday, 12th February 2024, 10.00 am

Meeting closed: 11.40 am