

**Minutes:** Ballarat Bridge Club Committee Meeting Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, 10.00 am, 2024

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

**Apologies:** Brian Hassett

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Secretary Kaye McFarlane

Acceptance of previous minutes (18<sup>th</sup> March): moved Anne Beck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoff Dwyer. Carried

**Reports:**

**President's Report** Anne Beck

1. Random Free Day: Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April
2. Beginners Lessons: commenced Saturday April 13, x5 participants (plus x1 absent)
3. WRBA AGM Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April
4. Kim Fraser VBA Council, Country West Special Councillor - Responsibility for Bridge across Victoria and the Victorian Bridge Centre.  
John Walsh, our representative on Bridge Victoria.  
'In a strategy to make the operation of those two functions separate and transparent, including in terms of finance, last year the Council put in place two operating committees: Bridge Victoria, which "embraces the activities associated with running bridge for affiliated clubs in Victoria"; and the Victorian Bridge Centre which looks after the operation of the club'.
5. City of Ballarat: thank you for fixing pot hole on Eyre Street. Request that the parking bays (x3) be marked for use

Acceptance of President's Report: moved Anne Beck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Leigh Dunne. Carried.

**Treasurer's report:** March 31st Trish Farney



(Deferred to next meeting when computer will be functioning)

**Correspondence:** Kaye McFarlane

Incoming:

1. Online printer contract: invoice March quarter, \$ 66.00
2. City of Ballarat, Facility Management Project Officer, John Schreuders: notice for Planned roofing repairs commencing 26/03/2024
3. Western Region Bridge Association AGM: Zoom meeting 8<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 am

4. Telstra invoice: pay by April 02, \$137.19
5. Bridge Victoria bulletin: April edition
6. Bendigo Bridge Club congress: Sat 25<sup>th</sup> & Sun 26<sup>th</sup> May
7. Nationwide Pairs Invoice: \$150.00
8. Masterpoint Centre Quarterly update: includes invoice Capitation fee 84 full members, \$1,680; green points \$100.23
9. Kim Fraser, VBA Council representative as Country West Special Councillor . John Walsh is Western Region Bridge's representative on Bridge Victoria.
10. Minutes Western Region Bridge Association AGM 8<sup>th</sup> April
11. QuickPrint: Quote for 115 membership booklets, \$188.00

#### Outgoing:

1. Ray Beacham, Richard Giles, Barb Ross, Lynne Taylor. Apology
2. Richard Giles Western Region Friendly Pairs 2024
3. Laurie Kelso: request that Ballarat Bridge Club congress be removed from VBA list of congresses
4. Request to Neil Ewart to remove Ballarat Bridge Club from 2024 program.

Acceptance of correspondence: Moved Kaye McFarlane, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annette Pearce. Carried.

#### **Reports: Committee**

- Kaye McFarlane - 87 full members, 4 associate members; Ballarat Bridge Club Membership reference booklet being printed; Problem with room ventilation/heating.
- Bruce Morley - congratulations to improving members; membership education re: role of the director
- Ian Gunn – Badges now \$15.00 each
- Leigh Dunne – request to City of Ballarat that utility service outlets to be tidied up after removal of stove and dishwasher – contact again
- Geoff Dwyer – garden maintenance ongoing; Front – inside door: Upgrading of ramp access for mobility aids; Removing rough corners of kitchen bench exposed by removal of old dishwasher.
- Trish Farney –
- Brian Hassett -
- Annette Pearce –
- Anne Beck –
- Clare Beer –

- Margaret Whitefield –
- Anne Woods – see 2. Business from previous meeting/general business

Acceptance of Reports: Moved Anne Beck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Whitefield. 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 the bins provided at each table immediately; sanitize hands.
2. Review of comparable bridge club websites compared with the Ballarat Bridge Club website.  
Committee endorsed the current webpage presentation and content;  
Change as alterations present as needed modifications.
3. Conducting regular teams events?  
Possibly be trialled during a Tuesday Supervised Play Session?
4. Bridge skill development program - Martin Wilcox?  
Looking for expressions of interest from membership (see notice board).

### **New Business:**

1. Full Member reactivation: Graeme Bosco: moved Leigh Dunne, 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoff Dwyer.  
Carried
2. Associate member reactivation: David Oon: moved Leigh Dunne, 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoff Dwyer.  
Carried
3. Associate member reactivation: Werner Lau: moved Leigh Dunne, 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoff Dwyer.  
Carried

### **Business for next meeting:**

1. Bridge skill development. Discussion of feedback

**Next meeting:** Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2024, 10.00 am

**Meeting closed:** 11.40 am