

Minutes: Ballarat Bridge Club Committee Meeting Monday October 14, 10.00 am, 2024.

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

Apologies: Ian Gunn

Minutes of previous meeting: Secretary Kaye McFarlane

Acceptance of previous minutes (September 9 2024): moved Kaye McFarlane, 2nd Geoff Dwyer. Carried.

Reports:

President's Report Anne Beck

President's Day : attended by Anne Beck and Clare Beer, 12th October, RACV Club.

Approx.. 100 attendees

The morning program explained the roles of the Victorian Bridge Association, Bridge Victoria, Victorian Bridge Centre.

Bridge Victoria is a new legal entity that manages finances. (Previously the Victorian Bridge Association.) Includes Capitation fees; Deposit from sale of the Poath Road facility (- a deal that collapsed).

Victorian Bridge Association now is the body looking after bridge in Victoria.

Victorian Bridge Centre is a new legal entity set up using funds from the deposit from sale of the Poath Road facility (- a deal that collapsed). This bridge Club is sited at Dendy Park

The afternoon sessions (delivered in the style of speed dating) were attended by participants divided into groups of ten.

The topics were

- Teacher development and support
- Director development and succession planning
- Vic Festival of bridge and proposed New Gold Point Event
- Youth bridge
- Culture and behaviour
- Communications / website

Some ideas that might be beneficial to the club included targeting university students as a recruitment campaign for the involvement of youth

Anne Beck and Clare Beer were thanked by the Committee for giving up another day for the development of the Ballarat Bridge Club

Acceptance of President's Report moved Anne Beck, 2nd Annette Pearce. Carried

Treasurers Report September 30, 2024

The Financial reports for 30/Sep/2024 shows a Loss of -\$343.69
resulting in a profit of \$1,863.66 ytd

Monthly Expenditure \$ 1,348.58

Exceptional expenses :

No exceptional expenses \$ -

Monthly Income \$1,004.89

Exception Income:

Bank Balance acc: 143932572 as at	30/Sep/2024	4722.34
Balance Term deposit acc: 14452879	30/Sep/2024	66822.94
	Total at Bank	\$ 71,545.28

Fees paid in advance @	30/Sep/2024	\$ 1,446.00
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Term Deposit reinvested till 14 Nov24 @ 4.75%

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report: moved Trish Farney, 2nd Anne Woods. Carried

Correspondence: Kaye McFarlane

Incoming:

1. Martin Wilcox accepted March 15 to direct Ballarat-Bendigo Ashes event
2. Australian Bridge Federation - Australia wide - Restricted Pairs
3. Online maintenance contract: \$66.00
4. President's Day October 12: Program
5. Telstra: due 03 October \$137.47
6. Telstra (dongle): \$2.50
7. Gary Brown: Bridge holidays 2025
8. Bridge Victoria October Bulletin
9. Bridge Victoria October Update
10. Masterpoint Centre Reports: Invoice Jul-Sep \$222.75
11. Invoice Nationwide Pairs Jul-Sept: \$144.99
12. Australia Bridge Magazine October 2024

13.VBA Special Councillor: nominations close November 11

Outgoing:

1. Invitation to full members to attend AGM October 10
2. Andrew Slutzkin
3. Notification of club closure to Club members: September 28
4. Welcome letter to John Freimanis

Acceptance of Correspondence: moved Kaye McFarlane, 2nd Geoff Dwyer. Carried

Reports: Committee

- Kaye McFarlane - submitted Ballarat Bridge Club's Annual Statement to Consumer Affairs. Fee \$49.00
 - Anne Beck –
 - Bruce Morley - Names not appearing on Bridgemates – issue still not resolved
 - Leigh Dunne – Request to City of Ballarat disposal of rubbish. Photographs provided. – Reported dry rot in wall of toilet off bridge playing room – no response. Activity at City of Ballarat slowed due to election process.
 - Geoff Dwyer – Security alarm sensors too sensitive – have been adjusted
 - Brian Hassett -
 - Annette Pearce –
 - Ian Gunn –
 - Clare Beer – purchased second hand pie warmer \$50.00 on behalf of club
 - Margaret Whitefield –
 - Anne Woods –
- Acceptance of Reports: moved Anne Beck, 2nd Leigh Dunne. 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. Masks available.
2. New committee for 2024-25: no changes.
3. Fee for Supervised Play session
Anne Beck moved that \$2.00 be paid by beneficiaries of the session (this will contribute to cost of refreshments and club playing facilities). 2nd Kaye McFarlane. Carried

New Business:

1. Matters arising from AGM
Suggestions made by attendees at AGM were considered.
Limitations that must be considered including the number of active playing club members and interest expressed were observed.
*Having someone available to play with a member without a partner. Committee members will be allocated a day to attend and play if a partner is needed. Plan to commence October 24.
*Targeting the universities in the new year for potential members
2. Review of Club's Task Allocation to members
List was reviewed and adjusted
3. New member endorsement: Peter Quinney
Moved Bruce Morley, 2nd Leigh Dunne. Carried
4. Christmas function? Monday December 9. Annette Pearce to investigate The Grand. \$10.00 subsidy pp from club
5. Cup Day function? Notice to be placed on notice board for expressions of interest. \$25.00 pp
6. Drinks after Bridge play (Thursday and Saturday) will resume. Support will determine member interest.
7. Friday Night Pizza will recommence if sufficient interest is shown by members. Check notice board for more information

Business for next meeting:

Next meeting: Monday, November 11, 2024, 10.00 am

Meeting closed: 12.10 pm