

NEWCASTLE BRIDGE CLUB

Committee Meeting

Date: 12th March 2014

Time: 8:30am

Attendees: T Wagstaff, R Broughton, J Hill, A Morris, P Peterson, P Robinson, K Wilks and G Rummey.

Apologies: A Stiller and B Webster.

Minutes

Agenda item: Minutes 12th February 2013. **Presenter:** G Rummey

Discussion: Ken moved that the minutes be taken as read and be accepted. Alison seconded the motion and the minutes were accepted. Tony signed the minutes as being a true record of the previous committee meeting.

Agenda item: Minutes 19th February 2013. **Presenter:** G Rummey

Discussion: Rosalie moved that the minutes be taken as read and be accepted. Peter seconded the motion and the minutes were accepted. Tony signed the minutes as being a true record of the special committee meeting.

Carry over items:

Club Webpage progress. **Presenter:** R Broughton

Agenda item:

Discussion: Rosalie could report that the Shane Weldon had presented a prototype design for the webpage in line with the agreed schedule. That would be discussed and finalised in sub-committee for eventual presentation to committee for approval. Presentation to Roy Low had been successful.

Conclusions: Press on with final design.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Finalise webpage content.	R Broughton	9/04/14

Rules & Regulations - Substitutes. **Presenter:** G Rummey

Agenda item:

Discussion: Graham had circulated an updated version of the relevant paragraphs to amend in the Rules & Regulations. Anita had raised the fact that the statement allowing a variation of the rules by the Tournament Director and/or Director being acceptable had been duplicated. The pertinent paragraphs had be redrafted and were tabled for acceptance - copy attached.

Conclusions: Unanimous acceptance of the changes.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Insert the amendments into the Club's <i>Rules & Regulations</i> .	G Rummey	9/04/14

Volunteer schedule. **Presenter:** R Broughton

Agenda item:

Discussion: Rosalie tabled the redrafted schedule for approval - copy attached.

Conclusions: Schedule unanimously accepted.

Action items:

Responsibility:

Deadline:

✓ Nil.

Lesson sub-committee terms of reference.

Presenter:

T Wagstaff

Agenda item:

Discussion:

The terms of reference had been finalised - copy attached.
Janet could report that work was progressing in accordance with the brief.

Conclusions:

Continue working towards presenting a final report by July.

Action items:

Responsibility:

Deadline:

✓ Ongoing.

J Hill

9/07/14

Strategic Plan Initiatives:

Presenter:

T Wagstaff

Item:

Front fence replacement.

R Broughton

Discussion:

The style of replacement fencing was discussed. Thoughts were to replicate the style of fencing to the frontage of 10 Young Road.

Conclusions:

Bruce to be asked to investigate and report back to committee.

Action items:

Responsibility:

Deadline:

✓ Committee to consider further options.

All

9/04/14

Item:

Session announcements.

T Wagstaff

Discussion:

Tony had considered options available for maintaining a consistency in how announcements were made at the start of each session. At the moment presentation was ad hoc.

Conclusions:

Review options to obtain a consistent approach.

Action items:

Responsibility:

Deadline:

✓ Work on keeping a clipboard for upcoming topics.

T Wagstaff

9/04/14

Presenter:

G Rummey

Correspondence Register:

Discussion:

Graham tabled the correspondence register of mail received since the last committee meeting - copy attached. He responded to queries raised on specific items.

Regarding the NSWBA seeking additional contacts at the Club, committee determined that contact to a specific recipient via the webpage would be preferred that way avoiding unauthorised information being put out.

The increased price from the cleaning contractors was accepted in an amount of \$170 plus gst.

Conclusions:

Completed.

Action items:

Responsibility:

Deadline:

✓ Nil.

Presenter: J Hill

Treasurer's Reports:

Performance: Janet could not table a printed copy of her report and instead commented on the current position. Table fees were 2.5% lower this year compared to 2013 with only Tuesday and Monday afternoon session up on attendance.
Overall, the operating profit was around \$20,000, \$7,000 down on 2013 figures.

Conclusions: Completed.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Nil.		

Finance: A financial summary printout was also not available. However, Janet reported that the overall financial position was showing assets worth \$98, 861.36.

Conclusions: Ken moved acceptance of the reports, seconded by Pam and these were unanimously accepted.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Nil		

General Business:

	Presenter:	
GNOT rule changes	K Wilks	

Agenda item:

Discussion: Ken presented an analysis of changes to this year's GNOT rules of qualification - copy attached. He spoke to those changes and the implications regarding costs to the Club depending on the number of qualifying teams it submitted. Committee agreed that the maximum number of teams possible should be encouraged to compete to the next round and the Club would bear that cost.

Ken pointed out that the maximum number of teams in the regional final would be limited to 30, and that he would decide which teams to exclude should the entry exceed that number.

Conclusions: Completed.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Nil		

	Presenter:	
eNews.	G Rummey	

Agenda item:

Discussion: Anita had been asked by John McIlwrath to publicise his production of the NSWBA eNews letter.

Conclusions: Noted.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Insert item in next "What's Trumps".	G Rummey	9/04/14

	Presenter:	
2014 Congress.	A Stiller	

Agenda item:

Discussion: Anita had confirmed that Matthew was available to direct the Congress.
In Anita's absence the level and amount of prize money being offered at this year's congress were discussed. The Club wished to encourage more entries from novice and restricted players. Second prizes for Restricted and Novice categories would be retained. However, greater numbers might be enticed to attend if the fields could be split into two categories, those of Open and Restricted/Novice.

Conclusions: Review opportunities to split the field at this year's congress.

Action items:	Responsibility:	Deadline:
✓ Reschedule the prize list in accordance with discussion.	J Hill	
✓ Consult with Matthew McManus regarding splitting entries.		12/03/14

Date for the next committee meeting to be 9th April 2014.

Meeting concluded at 10:10am.

Confirmed to be a true record of the meeting.

Tony Wagstaff
9 April 2014