

## **Committee Meeting Summary**

### ***16<sup>th</sup> December 2015***

Before dealing with committee items Roy thanked Kay for her efforts organising successful Christmas celebrations at all but the Tuesday session. Tuesday was capably managed by Jill Blenkey with able assistance from Sue Foggett and the Roaches. Thanks to everyone for helping and participating.

Meetings are now scheduled on a bi-monthly program commencing from Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2016.

#### **AGM Issues**

One item raised at this year's AGM remained to be answered.

- **Event Prize Money**

Tony's investigation into the query as to why prize money awarded during the 2014/15 calendar year appeared to be lower than the previous year had arisen due to an accounting anomaly. He could show that prize monies awarded for the two years were commensurate, the discrepancy was a book-keeping problem.

#### **Building Maintenance**

The next phase on the maintenance schedule was approved to commence at the beginning of February. That work entails minor repairs to the external fabric of the building, installation of a new shed and painting the external surfaces. Committee accepted that brickwork rendering was an unnecessary expense. The work is not expected to affect bridge sessions but member co-operation and support whilst the work proceeds would be appreciated.

#### **Session Attendance**

Falling attendance at sessions is still of concern. The introduction on Tuesdays and Fridays of a stand-by player to team up with any player who for whatever reason arrives without a partner has been a great success. Member suggestions on how to encourage increased attendance are still welcomed.

#### **Promotion of the Game of Bridge**

Jeff has made a concerted effort to promote Wayne's next block of bridge lessons. He has arranged to set up an information desk within the Kotara Fair complex on 24<sup>th</sup> January. He hopes to generate public interest in the game and perhaps to sign up new learners for the lessons.

Flyers providing details of the lessons are available at the clubhouse for anyone to take and distribute to friends or work colleagues.

#### **2016 Membership**

At the last count, 156 members have renewed their memberships for 2016. Memberships for the following year are due from the end of December. Early payment would be appreciated. The cost of membership is either \$35, \$30 (pensioner), or \$25 (associate).

#### **Emergency Contact Details**

Committee will shortly be asking members to provide the Club with specific details regarding who should be alerted in the event of an emergency situation relating to that member. Provision of those details will be purely voluntary for use strictly by the Club on the appropriate occasion. The details are not considered essential but having them recorded could prove extremely beneficial, saving time and effort at what could prove to be a crucial time.