Committee Meeting Summary

18th November 2016

Special General Meeting

You will be aware by now of the Special General Meeting called for Saturday 10th December starting at 12 noon at the clubhouse. Sufficient members of the Club submitted a request for committee to set up the meeting. The item on the agenda, and the only item that will be discussed concerns rescinding the decision passed at the AGM to display only percentages achieved as each bord result is entered into the Brtidgemate units.

If you are not available to attend the meeting to cast your vote then you may appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf. Proxy nomination forms have been put out near the sign-in register. Members are reminded that a member can only hold five proxy votes

Additional Stand-by Player Sessions

Jeff had circulated a sheet to collect names of members prepared to attend sessions as stand-by players and be prepared not to play when not needed. Ken would be circulating an email on the same topic.

As an incentive/reward to members Committee agreed that any member who had turned up for a session as the stand-by player and then not played would be given a voucher for a free game to be used at their convenience.

Session Attendance Incentives

Committee is still canvassing ideas on how to increase attendance to the lesser supported sessions. Social functions after bridge on Tuesdays and Saturdays were providing members the opportunity to meet and get to know members. Starting in February similar social functions would be introduced occasionally after the sessions on Monday afternoons and Friday mornings. Initially the frequency of the socials would be monthly and their popularity monitored to learn if they were achieving their desired effect.

Solar Energy

Tony could report that the solar energy system was up and running. He estimated that the Club had made a saving of \$80 in the two weeks the system had been operable.

2017 Programme and Booklet

Next year's programme booklets are with the printers and should be available early in December. A prize schedule had been prepared to cover events in the programme. Events allocated prize money have been determined on the basis of returning money to members in the proportion to income from table fees. Adopting that approach, no particular session is unduly favoured.

Thursday Supervised/Restricted Sessions

These sessions have commenced. Their success will be monitored. Ken has been appointed to direct the sessions as the paid non-playing director. His appointment to that position was endorsed by committee.