

Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Held 9th August 2018

Newcastle Bridge Club's 50th Anniversary (19th August)

Numbers are finalized, and 89 people are attending our 50th Anniversary lunch. Roy Harding and Ian Walker will enlighten attendees with some history and reflections from the past 50 years.....and Jeff Biddlecombe will test your knowledge with his Trivia competition.

Replacement of the Old Dealing Machines

The Club has purchased two new dealing machines as replacements for the old ones. While one machine wasn't very old, it was decided to replace both at the same time. The benefit is that they will both have the same version of the BOS software and will operate the same. The total cost will be partially offset by the trade-in of the machines.

2019 Congress

Following this year's Congress, the option of holding next year's Congress at our Club over two weekends was considered. One of the main reasons was to simplify the logistics, i.e. the need to transport everything to / from the venue. However, we've now agreed that this isn't feasible, due mainly to the limited space available. The Committee will now begin the search for a suitable venue with the aim of locking something in ASAP.

Tablecloths

Some members have commented that our tablecloths are starting to look a bit tired. The Committee has asked Rosalie Broughton to investigate the purchase of suitable fabric, to a budget of \$300.

Financial Report for FY ending June 30, 2018

Our Treasurer Tony Wagstaff advised he is hopeful that the full report from Lambourne Partners will be available by the end of August. Tony has also discussed with Lambourne what alternatives to Term Deposits (which currently have a low interest rate) are available. Tony agreed to request a firm quote for them to do a limited review / recommendation for presentation at the AGM.

2019 AGM

The AGM is scheduled for 22 September. Notices will be emailed to members 21 days prior. As is the custom, the meeting will be followed by a BBQ.

Drought Relief Appeal

Following enquiries from a few members if the Club would donate to a Drought Relief Appeal, it was agreed that the established policy of the Club is not to support appeals apart from Bridge for Brains.

Next Committee Meeting

There is no Committee meeting scheduled for September due to the AGM. The next meeting will be convened once the next Committee is finalized.