

Committee Meeting Summary

10th June 2015

Coffee Machine

A trial of having a coffee making machine was not a success and the machine has been returned. The reasons for not going through with its installation are twofold. When the machine became inoperable the response by the supplier did not encourage the Club's retention of that facility. Secondly, when members were solicited to look after keeping the machine in a clean, working order the response was rather lacking.

On that basis, and from the general reaction of members when it appeared, Committee took the decision to dispense with its services.

Clubhouse Maintenance

Maintenance of the Club's premises is becoming an issue that needs to be considered in the very near future. Several ideas have been floated in committee meetings for items to be addressed but before the staging of specific tasks can be considered an programme of overall works has to be determined.

Items on that programme include but need not be limited to the following:

- replacement of the double doors at the entry to the main hall;
- reglazing the main hall windows;
- removal of the existing awning and its replacement with a structure not prone to being damaged when parking; and
- repainting the entrance foyer and the main hall.

Should you be able to contribute any ideas towards this programme please do not hesitate to talk with a committee member.

Fence Repair

Repair of the fence damaged during the recent storms has been looked at but expenditure on that item will not be beneficial without removal of the tree stump right alongside the fence line. Its removal needs to be discussed with the neighbour and its resolution will require delicate negotiation.

Removal of the stump is clearly a responsibility of the neighbour. However, if their response is negative the Club may well be required to enter a financial agreement in order to effect the desired outcome.

Congresses and Lessons

Member's attention is drawn to the following congresses and lessons on offer:

- a novice tournament at Bathurst Bridge Club on Saturday 31st October and Sunday 1st November;
- Maitland Bridge Club has cancelled its novice congress;
- Joan Butts will be holding two lessons at Maitland on Sunday 14th July commencing at 10:00am;
- NSWBA is running a State championship this year for players with a ranking below 100 masterpoints. Janet Hill will be co-ordinating qualifying events for those members wishing to participate.

Floater

Not the meat pie sort but members who are prepared to volunteer their services and be available for a Tuesday or Friday session should members be encouraged to turn up without partners. Janet will be canvassing members prepared to do this and more will be announced on the topic.

This will be one way of bringing in new players and maintaining session attendance.