Summary: Committee Meeting held 28th March 2019

2019 Congress

A follow up visit was made to the new venue. A potential issue is the lack of heating. We will visit the hall closer to the date to assess if we need to arrange some heating.

We will be calling for volunteers to assist with the Congress shortly. Opportunities include helping in the kitchen, baking goods for morning and afternoon teas, setting up and packing up, and MORE!

Publicity

Caroline is planning to have the Winter Newsletter ready by 01 June. A more cost-effective option for printing the newsletter has been found.

PowerPoint slides are being prepared on a regular basis to keep members informed of upcoming events.

Membership

The cut-off for membership renewal (31st March) has passed. The membership of unfinancial members will now be cancelled.

Vouchers for Restricted Players

Preparations have been completed and the program will commence in the first week of April.

Catering Roster

A list of events that require catering throughout the year has been prepared. Volunteers are now being sought to fill the spots.

Cleaners

Requests for quotes were sent to three businesses. Only one responded and quoted \$693/week (the current cleaners' price after the increase is \$220/week). The cleaning schedule has been changed from Monday/Thursday to Monday/Wednesday. Subject to approval by the Treasurer, there will be an additional clean of the men's toilets each Friday for an additional cost of \$55/week.

Management Plan

A follow-up meeting will be held Thursday 4th April to discuss the draft document and agree the next steps.

Bridge Education

A number of options are being considered. These include a Refresher course for Beginners and a series of lessons on Defence (suitable for Beginners and Intermediate players familiar with the fundamentals of bidding).

Short informal sessions to be held once/month after Tuesday evening Supervised Play are also being considered.

Club Teams Championship

The Club Teams Championship event has been re-scheduled to Sunday 21st July (currently 17th November in the Program Booklet). The change was made to avoid a clash with the State Open Teams Finals. Members have been notified by email.

Financial Reports

The YTD Profit of \$12867 is slightly below budget and last year.

Table numbers are 3.4% above budget YTD but table fees are up by only 1.5% YTD. The difference is due to the cost of the standby program, which wasn't allowed for in the budget. The cost of the program has now been included in the full year update.

Subscriptions are in line with last year.

Compared to last year, consumables are up by \$1295, rates by \$923 and State/National Competitions by \$1321. These increases have been partly offset by Repairs and Maintenance being lower by \$2643.

Wednesday Session

The number of tables at Wednesday night bridge has continued to decline making it difficult to set movements. As a consequence, a decision was made to change the session time to 10:00am - 1:30pm effective 1^{st} May. The decision was communicated to players at the Wednesday session on 3^{rd} April. Members will be advised by email, and the details will be posted on Facebook and the website.

Next Committee Meetings

Management Planning meeting: Thursday 4th April at 1:20pm

Committee meeting: Thursday 9th May at 1:20pm.