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For meeting held Tuesday 13/06/2023



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Location:	Newcastle Bridge Club	Date:	13/06/2023
Chair:	Jeff Biddlecombe	Time:	1.25pm
Attendees:	Jeff Biddlecombe, Les Brien, Caroline Carey (Minute taker), Ailsa Kearney, Vincia Martin, Ken Wilks, Peter Peterson		

AGENDA ITEM

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Jeff opened the meeting at 1.25 pm. Apologies: Angela Jeffs, Julie Butel

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (09/05/2023)

Ailsa moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted, and Vincia seconded the motion, which was supported by all. Jeff then signed the Minutes as a true record of the meeting.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Letter of resignation from the committee by Rosalie Broughton.

3.2 Jim Thatcher re his mobility scooter.

The Club will allow Jim to use this device when he visits the club for the Congress

4. FINANCIALS (Les)

P & L/ Treasurer's Report/Investments (see attached)

P&L for 11 months to May 2023 shows a result of \$2321 (loss).

Table Fees

There has been a slight increase in the weekly average to the end of May

Investments

Following on from May's meeting, it was agreed that these be disposed of and those funds be placed in a term deposit after placing some funds in the Online saver account as a buffer.

The returns are poor compared to those available from term deposits.

Janet Hill has been appointed by the Club to effect this action as approved.

Draft Report for the AGM - Les has prepared this.

Funds on hand:

Cheque account \$11528 Online saver account \$5319
Term Deposit \$70,000 (Greater Bank, 12 months at 4%) Investment \$86,930

Peter moved that the reports be accepted and Vincia seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

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5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE AND PREVIOUS MINUTES

The committee expressed its thanks to Rosalie for her tireless work on the Club's behalf

5.1 Christmas in July

In light of the subdued financial report it was decided to not have Christmas in July this year and Angela will be asked to coordinate planning for a Christmas Party on 2 December.

5.2 June Congress

Vincia reported that all is well for the Congress with 17 entries on both days.

5.3 Australia-wide Novice Pairs

Four teams entered for this event (25/5/2023) which was run as a separate section on that morning. All teams expressed their liking for this event and it is to be hoped that it will expand in numbers next year. Winners were Les Brien and Patrick Dunkin with an impressive 70.28%

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Suggestion box - no suggestions

6.2 Club Teams

This event was cancelled through lack of enough entries. It was decided that 6 teams should be the minimum needed to run an event. Ken suggested we nominate 3 teams for the Regional Final in November and that the event for this Club be rescheduled for early November.

6.3 GNOT Qualifying - 2 July 2023

This event has been advertised to members via email. At least 6 teams are required. Discussed were ways to encourage players to take part. It was suggested that the acquisition of 'gold points' be explained for newer members.

6.4 State wide Pairs

This will run in August if entries are sufficient and Ken will offer this to the Tuesday session. There is a cost of \$4 per head.

6.5 Quotation Corner

Chris Dibley provided a bridge quote by W Somerset Maugham and this has been put on the Club's Facebook page with good viewing numbers. Any Bridge quotes discovered by members will be accepted by the committee.

6.6 Handicap Prizes

Every 3 week event has a handicap prize awarded

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Best day for Committee Meeting

It was agreed to change the meeting day to 1st Tuesday afternoon of the month

8. NOTES FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

8.1 Replacement of chairs (AGM)

It was decided to recommend replacement of chairs as needed maintaining the black/grey colour scheme. Ailsa suggested buying in lots of 4 might be the way to go. Les as treasurer said that the \$ buffer would be adjusted accordingly.

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9. <u>NEXT MEETING</u> Tuesday 4 July commencing at 1.30 pm
10. MEETING CLOSE: The meeting concluded at 2.15 pm

CONFIRMED TO BE A TRUE RECORD OF THE MEETING

Moved by:	K WILKS	
Seconded by:	A-Wassen	
Signed by:	Je Ldulle	
Date:	4.7.23	