



Minutes of Meeting - 20th January 2020

PRESENT: Karen Cowley Jane O'Brien Megan Eddy Francey Rolls Dave Halliday
Alison Saville Bridget Willcox Mike Callahan Tony

APOLOGIES: Julian Herbert

PREVIOUS MINUTES: of 18th December 2019 meeting as circulated.
Approved as a true and accurate record - Jane/Karen

MATTERS ARISING - update

- Insurance update – Crombie Lockwood's annual fee is \$3,345.00 - \$400 up on previous year. They are not sponsoring anything. Mike will get 3 quotes in the future for next year for the Committee to consider..

Correspondence

In

- Mini shakers – Denise Ohlen suggests local clubs decide 2020 dates at the CD meeting in Feb – deferred to the ECCDBC meeting in February..
- RBM – Denise Ohlen has resigned from this position
- Doris Chapman – re Directors position Thursday night
- NZB Minutes etc
- ECCDBC meeting – changed to Sunday 16th Feb in Napier – replies Karen, Alison can't be there. Francey & Jane going to meeting. Megan and Dave will make up the four to play.
- Companies Office -Mike granted authority to file Club financial statements
- Accounts: Clark Products, Almak, Contact, Spark, Pak'n'Save; NZB; Insurance; Office Products
- NZCT – information re applying for grants in 2020
- Insurance quotes and emails re decisions (status quo kept) circulated amongst Committee.
- Membership – see below
- Jennie Turbitt: advising Linda Kirby will be Website manager from beginning of 2020
- HB Security: confirming updated list of contacts for security callouts
- Crombie Lockwood – request and refusal of sponsorship for Restricted Pairs Tournament
- Barry Wilson – Wilson Electrics – advising of his retirement and business taken over by Compass Energy
- Response from members to TBC arrangements: Positive – Doreen Nunn, Alison Ritchie, Paul Entwistle; Linstead Castle-Allen

- Response from members to founding new Club: Positive – Cath Halpin; Rachael Knight.
- Query re pros and cons from Janice Willoughby
- Marie Bymolt – high cost of bidding pads – suggested Marie get quotes.

Out

- Taradale Bridge Club – re lessons at NBC on Monday nights and inviting their Mon night session to join our Tuesday night (their Table money to go to TBC); acknowledging their response turning down our request; advice of monthly fee remaining the same this quarter; proposal that a new Club be founded from the combination of Napier/Taradale Bridge Clubs
- Thanks to members responding to Club emails as above

Inward/outward approved: Alison/Karen

FINANCE:

Copies of financial report circulated.
Accounts adopted and approved by Mike/Dave

Jane mentioned she needed a float for the Bar. Mike will arrange.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Resigned: Alison Hucker; Carolyn Yeomans; Ruth Spittle
- Judy Tiffen changed to Napier as her Home Club
- Jo Hayes changed membership to become a full member
- Joined as Associate: Kyoko Hashizume; Trish Murphy; Mike Smith, Mary Simonsen

Alison sending our reminders to those who have not paid subs and will ask them to advise if they wish to resign.

ALMONER: Anne Crowfort continuing in Cath Halpin's absence.
Barbara Twyford

FUNDRAISING & GRANTS:

SPONSORSHIP: Update from Alison/Jane.

✕ Karen has written to the HB Airpôt to see if they would be keen to provide sponsorship – No reply as yet.

Dave to approach Tremain Real Estate and Big Save for possible sponsorship.

TARADALE BRIDGE CLUB : Update – more keys required.

MAINTENANCE: Issues with the men's loo. Convenors need to advise players that before they leave they hear the men's loo flush – it is on a sensor

TOURNAMENTS:

- **Restricted Tournament** - 9th February update. Tony has everything under control Still looking for a sponsor. Lyndsay doing the catering; Francey directing; Arthur will set up the boards; Jane & Alison the raffle; Julian the bar. Room will be set up on the Saturday.
- **Charity Tournament** - suggestion that Dementia HB be the recipient – Megan to follow this up. They provide afternoon tea and raffle.

LESSONS/BEGINNERS/RETENTION: Dave gave an update. Lessons starting on 4th May 2020. Need to consider advertising and if NZ Bridge could sponsor. Alison to email Francey at Central Districts and she will on-send. Further discussion at next meeting.

WEBSITE/SOFTWARE:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- **Building security** during playing session – Taradale had an incident at their Wednesday night session where some youths entered the rooms and helped themselves to biscuits. When apprehended they took off. Lengthy discussion had as to how to resolve the matter. Suggestion made to lock the door however this could only be in the afternoon session as the persons on duty in the evening needs to come into the building for coffee/loo. Napier security working ok. Email Taradale re ways suggestions of security assistance.
- **Tournament Schedule for 2021** – Went through the years Tournaments for scheduling. Discussion as to whether we hold Zelda Morris – not this year however happy to hold NZ Wide Pairs this year.
- **Restricted Tournament v Multigrade** – numbers are down for entries this year. The reasons for the Restricted was to mix players up and supposed to be a fun and relaxed tournament.
- **Bidding boxes** – this was discussed as a replacement for bidding pads at the table and Karen gave us a demonstration. It would reduce recycling and reduce costs. Francey mentioned that tablets would be introduced in the future. It was mentioned that the bidding boxes had been previously trialled and most players were not comfortable using them. We will think on it.

Meeting closed at 6.45pm

Next Meeting 10th February 2020 at 5pm

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