

Committee Meeting held 9th June, 2021

Present:

Lee Walters, Helen Brodie, Yvonne McKinnon, Janice Johnson, Richard Bland, Neil Ruddell, Kevin Grundy, Olive Dent, Kim Thomas, Glenys Barrow

There is an amendment to the minutes of the last meeting held 12th May, 2021

NZB and the grading system: This should read "NZB may use the British handicapping system. Feed back from some UK players has been that the system can act as a deterrent to playing with lower graded players."

On the thanks to Lyn: This should read: "A big thanks to Lyn for her organising of the Library team and the time consuming task of following up on all those interested parties."

Helen moved that the amended minutes be accepted as a true and correct record, seconded Janice; Approved

Correspondence:

Outward

- Letters of thanks to Wally Yovich for sponsorship, to Jane Mander for pens, St Johns for the AED
- Grant Jarvis re \$300 reimbursement for advertising
- Richard Solomon and Candice Smith re Main Centre Teams
- Hubands re air conditioner check to be postponed until 9th July

Inward

- Grant Jarvis re Advertising money
- Grant Jarvis re Cambridge Sixes
- Chilltech account
- Sutherlands account
- Hubands re air conditioner
- Richard Solomon and Candice Smith re entries
- Sue Brown re Main Centre Teams

Glenys moved that the incoming mail be accepted and the outgoing approved, seconded Janice; Approved

Finance:

Neil moved that the accounts that have been paid totalling \$3560.02 be confirmed and the accounts to be paid totalling \$5229.55 be approved, seconded Olive; Approved

General Business:

Nancy Beck has decided she would like to sit the Director's exam. Janice is to give her a rule book. Bruce Thom should also be given a rule book as he will be directing.

Regular Tuesday night play finishes at end of this month. Olive will continue to direct on Tuesday nights as long as there are at least three tables playing, month by month. Please announce this in the newsletter.

Prepared tickets are in the bag Olive brings to the Cruising Club

Profit from the Yovich tournament is estimated at \$1500. The sponsorship was \$750, catering \$12 per head and points \$2.62 per head.

Insurance of the building has fallen due. Should we increase the insurance to cover inflation? Lee will contact Marsh and ask them what they feel the building is worth.

Richard is owed some money for materials for lessons. Please have an invoice before the end of the month.

Richard has found a sign writing firm who will stick on vinyl lettering in gold for the honour boards. Lee and Richard are to take in one of the honour boards and have it printed to see if it can be read from a distance.

Richard is prepared to run an education day for people interested in directing. These are not for those sitting exams although they are welcome to come. It is mainly for those who wish to direct in the club. Dargaville have some interested parties and Richard may offer to have learners from Paihia and Kerikeri as well. This will probably be sometime towards the end of July. It was suggested he charges people for this course as he would be doing it for the Northern region.

Lessons: There are 21 attendees on Monday evenings and 16 on Tuesday. Two people have paid but are not continuing. One person, Jo Martin attended the 2 free lessons, paid her sub but was then unable to continue with the lessons. Jane is to make and give her a voucher giving her free lessons next year, stating that she has paid for these in advance. The number of learners has more than covered the cost of the advertising. We are on target to get 4 more tables once these beginners have finished lessons. Retention is the key. We will have a buddy system for three weeks after they graduate and then we want to encourage other members to come to play on Monday nights and make it a fun night. We will work up to playing 20 boards on a Monday night. The people who are buddies will get vouchers to play but everyone else will pay \$2.00 on a Monday evening.

The grant from the Pub Charity must be used by the end of June. If we are having difficulty finishing the job by then, please give Jane some warning and she will ask for an extension. We have had the first invoice from Paradise Quarries and they seem to be on track to finish on time. Lee has a folder of things to be done for the Pub Charity. The accounting requirement needs to go to Neil and this needs to be highlighted in the bank statement. Ask Paradise Quarries for a

second invoice before the 30th, if possible.

Film night showing "Dirty Tricks" is 9th July at 7pm. Byo drinks and \$5.00 per head for pizzas.

There will be crayfish raffles in June. We need to have two good raffles for the big weekend in July.

Len Dent has donated an excellent Swamp Kauri bowl to be auctioned on the Sunday during the Main Centre Pairs. Ian Johnson will be the auctioneer. Glenys is to write to Len and thank him for his very generous donation.

Main Centre weekend: We need to be able to accommodate 32 tables on both Saturday and Sunday. Entries will be \$30.00 per person on Saturday and \$40.00 on Sunday. There will be no food except a little afternoon tea.

Kim is to ask his friend Peter, who owns a Mr Zippy, if he would like to set up in the parking area on those two days and take the profit.

Smart Office Cleaning have a new price list. Price increases coincide with a big increase in services.

The Backgammon club meet every second Wednesday evening in our rooms. Charge will be \$20.00 per session.

Meeting closed at 3.40pm