



Committee Meeting held June 13th, 2024

Present: Lee Walters (in the Chair), Richard Bland, Kevin Grundy, Janice Johnson, Judy Allison, Neil Ruddell, Olive Dent, Tel Hudson, Kim Thomas, Nancy Beck.

Minutes of the Meeting of May 9th, 2024

Richard moved that the minutes of the last meeting held May 9th, having been circulated, be recorded as a true and correct record, seconded by Olive; Approved

Matters Arising: Under General Business

Correspondence:

Inward

Invoices:

- Office Products
- Smart Office
- Marsh Insurance
- Engraving Systems
- Super Liquor

NZ/Regional Bridge:

- Notice of Regional Committee Members
- Jane Stearns re lessons and registered players update
- NZB Newsletter
- NZB Board Minutes
- Notice of June Invoices

General:

- Emma Russell re her lost black jacket
- Sue Hunt with a sign-up sheet for Kerikeri's 60th.
- First Domains notification of price increase.
- David Gordon, possible new member.

Outgoing:

- Thank yous to Tait's Realty and 100% Barrels (From last month)

Kevin moved that the inward and outward mail be received, seconded by Nancy; Approved

Finance:

Neil presented the monthly financial statement. Neil noted that all the grants we received have been spent. He moved that the financial report be accepted, including that accounts that have been paid totalling \$13819.98 be confirmed and accounts to be paid totalling \$2614.18 be approved. Seconded by Olive; Approved

General Business:

Judy: Judy encountered Paul Newman recently and he confirmed that he will be back to playing in the club once his recent move has settled.

Richard: Tuesday morning lessons will end next week and the Monday evening sessions will wrap up the week after, June 24th. There will be a small social event that evening. Last Monday night had 3 tables of learners and helpers while there were 2 tables on Tuesday. Many of the current class seem quite keen to start playing in the club.

During preparation of the history booklet for the birthday celebration, it became apparent that we should perhaps keep better records for the future. It might be appropriate to keep an archival folder of results, financial records and trophy winners. It was suggested that the current newsletter would serve that purpose. Lee and Olive also noted that they have kept records going back many years.

Kim: Kim updated the meeting about the process for re-registering the club as an incorporated society. This process need not be completed until 2026 so we have ample time. NZ Bridge is undergoing the same process of reviewing and updating their constitution. They hope to provide a framework for clubs to follow. When we see what they provide, we can proceed to modify our constitution and register following approval at the AGM or a special general meeting. There is no cost to this process.

Neil: June 30th is fiscal year-end. Olive will do all the banking by then and Neil will sort petty cash and stock taking.

Kevin: Kevin is going away for 3 weeks and will not be available to update the membership list prior to June 30th. The list is largely accurate now and we should be able to cover any changes.

Janice: Kudos to Alan Pumfleet for taking on the job of washing our laundry.

Nancy: We have bought 145 badges, so 42 remain. The current crop of students are welcome to purchase them on a first-come, first-served basis. With the amount already spent from the grants received and with one invoice to come, we have successfully spent all grant monies acquired for the men's bathroom.

Olive: Since the last meeting we have held 3 tournaments with the following results:

McGoldrick Law Jr/Int Tournament:	Sponsorship \$400
	Estimated profit of \$600
	Cost per head of \$11.75
Yovich and Co Open Pairs:	Sponsorship \$500
	Estimated profit of \$1170
	Cost per head of \$28.60
Paihia Open Swiss Pairs:	Sponsorship \$0
	Estimated profit of \$890
	Cost per head of \$29.85

Olive was gratified by the number of volunteers that helped out but noticed that the Regional events will require even more help. Tel complimented Olive on the amount of work that she does during a tournament, which is much more than meets the eye.

Given that we will be using tablets for the birthday bridge, we will need the names of the non-active players participating to be entered manually.

The Regional events will require 2 morning teas from local participants. Kim will look into perhaps getting a food truck from Waipu.

Lee: Lee has looked into updating the Honours Board with 20 names. The choices are \$40 per name in gold leaf or half that for gold coloured vinyl lettering. In her opinion, the vinyl lettering looks awful.

Motion (Lee/Judy): That Lee be authorised to update the Honours Board in gold leaf for a total of \$800. Approved

Lee also asked for permission to approach the finance committee for a subsidy for the birthday celebration. The subsidy needed for the bridge component is at \$12.50 per head. The subsidy for the dinner is harder to estimate until firm numbers are available, although \$5000 should cover everything.

Motion (Lee /Nancy): That Lee be authorised to ask the Finance Committee for \$5000 in support of the 70th birthday celebration. Approved

The rooms have been rented for a birthday party on July 13th and a chess competition on September 24th.

At the next meeting, we will have to begin preparing for the AGM on August 25th. We need to decide on the levels for subs and table money, given the increases passed on by NZ Bridge. Lee announced that she will be stepping down as President so we should all be looking for candidates for the various committee positions.

Two quotes for painting the exterior of the building have been obtained; \$20K (6 months ago) and \$22K (current). The best time for doing this would be December and January while the club is more or less idle. This seems like a candidate for a grant, which Nancy will look into.

The meeting was called to a close at 10:43 am.

The next meeting will be on July 11th at 10 am.