

# Committee Meeting held 12th June 2025, 10am.

Present: Lee Walters (Chair), Alan Pumfleet, Olive Dent, Richard Bland, Janice Johnson, Jayne Broome, Kim Thomas, Neil Ruddell, Stanley Abrahams.

Apologies were received from Kevin Grundy and Tel Hudson. Olive moved that these be accepted. Lee seconded. Approved.

## Minutes of the meeting of May 8th 2025

Jayne moved that the minutes of the last meeting held8<sup>th</sup> May 2025, having been circulated, be recorded as a true and correct record, Seconded by Olive. Approved.

Matters arising: There were no matters arising.

#### Correspondence:

Inward:

Invoices: Office Products, Super Liquor (3), Smart Office (3), BridgeNZ.

## NZ Regional Bridge:

AGM materials and Annual report (35 pages).

Call for expressions of interest for Honorary Solicitor.

Reorganisation of Head Director and National Recorder roles.

General:

Notices of online lessons from Joan Butts.

Online beginner ACOL lessons from Jack Stocken.

Advert for Handle (similar to Wordle) from Zeb Stocken.

Hubands.

Niamh re noise.

Roger Bell re copyright letter.

Outgoing: None recorded.

Jayne moved that the inward and outward mail be received. Seconded by Richard. Approved

#### Finance:

Neil presented the monthly financial statement. Neil moved that the financial report be accepted, including that accounts that have been paid totalling \$8470.36 be confirmed and accounts to be paid totalling \$3916.86 be approved. Seconded by Olive; Approved.

### General Business:

**Jayne** reported that her efforts to obtain more sponsors was proceeding well. Property Brokers are very pleased with their sponsorship to date and are looking for further opportunities with WBC and the wider bridge community. Jayne has taken over the development of Harcourts as a sponsor after the initial work completed by Stanley. Jayne also brought up the slowness of the club computer and asked about the committees' thoughts about a possible replacement. Thoughts of second-hand replacements were put to bed by Lee who stated that the solution would need to be a new computer and not taking on second hand problems. All agree but no decision was taken. Jayne further reported that the Ashbury Heights Tournament was still a work in progress.

**Olive** brought up the matter of Open players playing for trophies and cups in what is a Junior and Intermediate playing night. The concern is reflected in the last Tuesday Teams event where the top three teams all had the services of an open player. Olive suggested that for the sake of fair play that Open players while welcome to play on Tuesday night, be made ineligible to play for the trophies and cups. After a general discussion Olive moved that Open players be made ineligible as state. Seconded by Janice, Approved 8 to 1.

Olive also noted that the efforts of the club to recycle paper was not happening and that if it was to continue that members needed to be aware and comply with the efforts of the club. Jayne suggested an entry in the newsletter to increase awareness. Olive also mentioned that she would have Kevin enter the new player coming in from classes into the computer.

Olive was also pleased to report that since the May committee meeting the club had held three successful tournaments and Olive submitted the follow figures for the committees information.

17 May 2025 The Grundy Family Intermediate and Junior Tournament, Income \$2287. Expenses \$1532. Profit \$755.The total expenditure per player was \$21.75.

24 May 2025 The Yovich & Co 5A Tournament. Income \$2287. Expenses \$1532. Profit \$898.The total expenditure per player was \$32.66.

7 June 2025 The Paihia Swiss Pairs Tournament. Income \$3133. Expenses \$2290. Profit \$835.The total expenditure per player was \$30.58.

**Lee** reported that she was looking to upgrade the Property Brokers Tournament from 8B to a 5A. Discussions with NZ Bridge continue.

Lee also reported that the latest lessons would potentially net the club 16 new playing members (4 tables). The learners were due to graduate on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June and they would each receive a club name badge, a member's book and a certificate. Playing buddies had been arrange for July to help the new members assimilate to the club.

**Kim** continued his one-man campaign to bring our constitution into line with the new Societies Act by opening a discussion on the various feedback (circulated prior to this meeting for review) that he had received and the research that he had concluded with other bridge clubs' efforts to achieve the same. After a general discussion it was agreed that Kim would further his work using such guidance from that this meeting offered and would report back when he had inserted or removed the various clauses that were discussed. The ultimate aim, to be able to provide the membership with a working draft for their approval at the next AGM. I am happy to report that Kim remains buoyant through out this process. Kim moved his report be accepted, seconded by Alan. Approved.

The meeting concluded at 10.47am.