



**WHANGAREI**  
**Bridge Club**

**Whangarei Bridge Club Inc.**

**Minutes for the Committee meeting 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2026 held at the club rooms at 10am.**

**Present were** Lee Walters, Alan Pumfleet, Jayne Broome, Mandy Bax, Neil Ruddell, Richard Bland and Janice Johnson.

**Apologies received from:** Olive Dent, Kim Thomas.

Moved by Jayne that the apologise be accepted. Seconded Janice. Carried.

**Minutes of the last meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of September 2026:**

Alan moved that these be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded Janice. Carried.

**Inwards and Outwards Correspondence:** presented for the period 9<sup>th</sup> September to the 6<sup>th</sup> of October 2026. There were 81 items of correspondence including 23 items related to our accounts. A record of all correspondence is available on the minute Masterfile. Alan moved all correspondence be accepted. Jayne seconded. Carried.

**Matters arising:** 3 letters/items were moved to General business for discussion.

**Finances:** Neil presented the revenue and expenses statements for the month of September 2026 and asked for questions. None were forthcoming. Net income \$6598.00 with expenses of \$23,847.00. Operating deficit (\$17,249.00). A copy of the accounts is available on file. Neil moved that the financial report be accepted. Seconded Alan. Carried.

**Around the Table/General business:**

**Jayne:** Asked Neil for an invoice to be presented to MWIS for their tournament sponsorship. Jayne also reported back on a potential new sponsor in MetLife. Jayne is reviewing two options with them. It was also noted that the Property Brokers tournament planned for February will need to be moved as the club is under repair in February.

**Janice:** Questioned the wisdom of only playing 24 of the expected 27 boards on Wednesday. Janice felt it was not a level playing field when many boards are not played by all. There was a general discussion, and it was agreed that the directors made this call and that all movements had their challenges.

**Mandy:** Reopened the discussion about Stanley's behaviour when several members reported to Mandy that he was being unkind to his partner. After a general discussion and in the absence of any written complaints it was suggested that Richard make an

announcement next Wednesday restating the NZB Fair Play rules and remind all members that if they are subject to any matters contained that they should call the director immediately for it to be dealt with promptly.

**Neil:** Noted that several term deposits were/had matured and the proceeds were to be transferred to the general funds for the upcoming roof and aircon costs.

**Richard:** With the forthcoming roof and aircon works happening in January and February that Lee and Richard have been busy seeking temporary accommodation for club play.

The solution to date is that January Holiday bridge will be played at the Women's Institute on Rust Ave for January on Mondays and Fridays. Club play in February will be split with Monday play at the Women's Institute and all other days will be played at the Cruising Club. Lee and Richard to confirm these booking with both.

Richard has compared pricing for 5 new tablets and has recommended the TCL brand over Lenovo as better deal. Richard is authorised to purchase 5.

Richard also commented that the upcoming daytime teams being played next Tuesday had only attracted 3 and a half teams at this stage.

#### **Matters arising from correspondence:**

**Roof quotes** accepted and a deposit of \$19,627.00 has been made to MBH Builders.

**Lee reported** that AirZone have asked to requote after information about the roof repair became known. They wish to relook at their design. This matter was being dealt with through the finance committee.

**The club app** has been well received with 66 registered members, Ron has presented his contract and invoice. Lee confirmed her wish to move forward with the app and would arrange payment once the payment terms were clarified. Jayne also confirmed that this was another excellent sponsorship opportunity and she would commence her process.

**Lee:** Noted that lessons for 2027 would need to be moved to a later start date as the clubrooms were not available for the usual start month of February.

The meeting closed at 10:51 am

Alan Pumfleet  
Secretary