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**MINUTES OF THE TAURANGA BRIDGE CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE CLUBROOMS, ON  
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18TH, 2025 AT 7:00PM**

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**Present:** Mike Newton (Chair), Hugh McAlister, Muriel Banks, Keryn O'Brien, Rebecca Osborne, Rebecca Taylor, Cathy Parker, Deidre Gunn, Karyl Anderson, David Fornusek.

**Apologies:** Kate Terry. **Accepted.**

**Minutes:** That the minutes of the previous meeting held on January 14th be confirmed.  
**RT/CP Carried**

**Matters Arising**

- a) COA- we have now completed filing and await feedback from TCC.
- b) KiwiRail lease-we await terms. There is a pothole in need of attention.

**Correspondence**

- a) NZB require club views on the Regional Championships. Following discussion Hugh is to take our views to the upcoming Regional Meeting.
- b) NZ Bridge Foundation and TECT re Grant applications -handed to Cathy.
- c) Charities Reminder- but our Reviewed Accounts have since been filed.
- d) Bridget Hannaway re hosting National Swiss Pairs-Jackie Blue has in hand.

**Membership.**

Resignations received: Monica Goulden, Laurel Mehaffey, Jean Morris, Sharon long, Stu Dumbleton, Judith Regnaud, Lorraine Murrie, Lynn Corbett-Foy, and Helene Paterson. **Accepted.**

A list of members unpaid for 2025 was tabled and after discussion it was decided DF to send out a friendly reminder now, then possible verbal contact where appropriate, prior to removal from NZB before March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Hardship- a discussion on members in maintaining membership. A very difficult subject due to privacy considerations. Best assessed on individual circumstances if such a situation presents. DF to speak to the member who raised the issue.



**Health and Safety nil**

**Etiquette**- notice board rotated regularly

**Conflict of Interest**- nil

**Financial Report**- presented as

- a) January Income and Expenses
- b) KPIs.
- c) Account balances on January 31<sup>st</sup> 2024
- d) Flow chart table numbers-will recommence from February.

Cathy suggested that ideally Profit and Loss and Budget reports should also be presented.

Mini-Congress will show a satisfactory profit of \$1200-1500 once Masterpoints are paid.

Annual Accounts 2024 have been successfully reviewed.

**Program Committee** nil to report but a replacement needs to be found for Rebecca Osborne

**Sponsorship** 3 invoices outstanding + Jones and Co. Keryn to check with Kate on the latter.

**Future Club Options** nil to report

**Tournaments**- Jackie had addressed the meeting at the beginning.

**Fun Over the Bridge**- 1<sup>st</sup> leg set for March 30<sup>th</sup> at home. Start publicising now. Bar will be open.

**National Swiss Pairs**. – July 5th

Jackie and Hugh will be part of the Match Committee.

Norm to assist with a budget which Jackie would like approved by our committee prior to sending to NZB. Afternoon teas to be allowed for.

Billets -contact those available from Mini-Congress.

Karyl available to Caddy.

Dealing Machine to be serviced prior.



Mini-Congress- Good atmosphere, bar justified, clean-up crew needed on the Monday evening/Tuesday morning if our cleaner not able to service the rooms post congress. Sign up sheet required for kitchen duty. Booklets to be printed commercially in future. Need to stress the correct bank account for entry fees.

### **Regional Committee**

The Regional Champs are open to anybody, but there has to be a commitment by entrants. The club needs to communicate this better.

A meeting is to be held next week to discuss the Championships.

The Committee is pursuing options to upgrade the education of Directors and Scorers.

Gillian Corbett is the new secretary.

### **Club Captains Report**

Table numbers for this year have been slow but steady.

Flyers will be placed on the notice board to promote events such as 1+3 teams, with an emphasis on boosting Monday nights.

On Wednesdays, once a month etiquette could be covered for 10 minutes of a session.

### **General Business**

#### **a) Constitution.**

The rewrite is under way.

#### **b) Open Day.**

Poorly attended and held at wrong time. It needs to be about 2 weeks before lessons commence.

#### **c) Teaching/Lessons.**

Numbers unknown at this stage but lighter than 2024. Discussion ensued on advertising- leaflet drop, billboards, paper advertising, better signage, flags, social media as options.

There is a? mark on helpers available for afternoon sessions.

The timetable for both beginners and improvers will be flexible at this stage.

#### **d) Trophies**

With Norms help, Hugh will trace the origin of named trophies.



**e) Bar License.**

The support for opening the bar more regularly needs to be assessed along with the options and requirements to do so.

Wine prizes are to be given while stocks last.

**f) Suggestions**

Diana Foster had forwarded a number of suggestions -all of which showed merit in exploring:

Monthly Themed Raffles

Retirement Village vans for daytime sessions.

Colour Scheme -gold ice cream containers to be sought from members.

Finding a partner- discuss with Dale.

**g) Grant Applications**

A "wish list "was created:

Car Park resealing.

External wall coating

Canopy for back door

Toilet block overhaul especially lino replacement.

Operating Costs covered.

Bridgemate replacement

Bar Fridge??

Cathy outlined the process involves obtaining quotes, a minuted resolution by the committee and other relevant data to put together an application for a grant.



Tauranga Bridge Club

Next meeting March 18<sup>th</sup>

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Confirmed a true and accurate record.

CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_