

MINUTES

SUNNYBANK BRIDGE CLUB INC

Committee Meeting at 69 Nathan Road Runcorn

Opened at 1:35pm 19th January 2022 by the President Doug Matthew

Present: Doug Matthew (Chair), Jane Whelan, Alice Edwards (Secretary), Bernice Cooper, Janet Price, Col Seed, Cora Taylor, Michele Thorne, Di Robinson, Robyn Chippindall

Apologies: Kenneth Clem, Jenny Andrews (Treasurer)

Minutes of previous meetings

The Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting on 15th December 2021 are a correct record of the meeting.

This was moved by Alice Edwards, seconded Col Seed. CARRIED

Business arising from Previous Minutes

Bridgemates

Michele Thorne reported that the new keypads had been received so that bridgemates can be repaired as required.

- Michele Thorne to organise the repairs as required.

Club Rules

Robyn Chippindall moved that “the number of tables required for a Club run competition be brought in line with the corresponding QBA regulation for a congress which is a minimum of four tables”. The motion was seconded by Alice Edwards. CARRIED.

Jane Whelan advised the Committee that as per the circulated email, there was nothing in the ABF or QBA rules which would prevent the Club Rules from allowing any invited pair or team to compete in a Club run competition under the same conditions as any other participating pair or team.

Jane Whelan moved that the Club Rules be clarified so that “any invited pair or team may compete in a Club run competition under the same conditions as any other participating pairs or teams”, seconded by Alice Edwards. CARRIED.

- Alice Edwards to publish the updated Club Rules
- Michele Thorne to update Club’s “Code of Conduct”

Membership Renewals

- Alice Edwards / Jenny Andrews to coordinate the timing of reminder notices
- Alice Edwards to send an ‘unpaid members’ list to Michele Thorne

Directors

An email was sent seeking interest from members to become a Club Director. Unfortunately no responses have been received to date.

Photocopier

Alice Edwards advised the committee that a quote has been received from FUJI and one has been requested from KONICA.

- Jenny Andrews / Alice Edwards to investigate options for replacing the photocopier

Single Use Defibrillator

Michele Thorne advised that there was now a single use defibrillator that was commercially available for \$299.00. Some Committee Members expressed concern over the Club's legal position if one was used incorrectly or if one was not used when it was available and should have been.

- Michele Thorne to investigate

Beginners Lessons

Thank you to Catherine Mahoney for distributing the beginner's lessons flyers around the Runcorn area.

Air-Conditioner

A sign asking Directors not to change the temperature on the air-conditioner was put up after the last meeting but this has resulted in complaints from members about the temperature of the club room. Doug Matthew has agreed to get some advice on what else might be done to improve the uniformity of temperature throughout the room. Col Seed suggested that the tables used for normal sessions should be moved one row over so that the air might circulate more evenly. The Committee agreed that this should be trialled.

- Doug Matthew to seek advice on air flow in club room.

Christmas Decorations

Michele Thorne advised the Committee that she had not found any worthwhile decorations and the Committee agreed that this could be raised again closer to next Christmas.

Honour Board

Col Seed advised that the Honour Board has been updated and that he has requested a quote for a new Honour Board which will be required later in the year.

- Col Seed to obtain quote for new Honour Board.

Correspondence In

28-12-2021	QBA	Mask Update
28-12-2021	QBA	Update to Clubs
28-12-2021	Cora Taylor	Resignation from Committee
30-12-2021	QCBC	January Graded Pairs
30-12-2021	Kenmore Bridge Club	January Congresses
02-01-2022	QBA	Face Masks
09-01-2022	QBA	Club Update
10-01-2022	QBA	Covid
11-01-2022	QBA	COVID-19 Close Contact Rules
11-01-2022	Salvation Army	Receipt / Thank you letter
12-01-2022	Fuji Film	Photocopier
14-01-2022	QBA	KBC Congress Cancellation

Correspondence Out

10-01-2022	Alice Edwards	Sue Ross	Life Membership
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Motion that Inwards and Outwards Correspondence be accepted was moved by Alice Edwards, seconded by Di Robinson and CARRIED.

Business arising from Correspondence

Nil

Reports

Treasurer's Report

The Profit and Loss shows a loss of \$5796.06 for the month and a ytd loss of 4602.21. This is reflected by subsidizing the Christmas Lunch (\$1925.00) Building Insurance (\$3904.00) and Free bridge coupons given to volunteers at the Christmas Party (\$1020.00), a total of \$6849.00 that we normally do not spend in one month. These figures will change before the AGM after the auditor puts through this year-end adjustments for depreciation etc,

Doug Matthew moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted, seconded by Alice Edwards and carried.

Teacher's Report

The beginners' lessons commenced on Saturday 15th January. Seventeen people attended and there are an additional six people who, for a variety of reasons could not attend this week, should join the lessons for the second lesson.

Thank you to the members who have volunteered to assist with the lessons. Your help is very much appreciated.

Jane Whelan moved that the Teachers Report be accepted, seconded by Janet Price and carried.

Convenor's Report

The Convenors reported that there had not been any competitions since the previous meeting, The Summer Pairs will be held in February and the Moore Trophy also begins in February.

Jane Whelan moved that the Convenors Report be accepted, seconded by Robyn Chippindall and carried.

General Business

New Memberships

The Committee would like to welcome two new members - Kelly Hill and Jenny Nunn

AGM

The Committee agreed that the audited reports for the AGM would be emailed to members prior to the AGM giving members an opportunity to read the reports and ask questions at the AGM. A small number of printed copies will also be available at the AGM.

- Alice Edwards to email members with relevant reports

Storage

Michele Thorne asked the Committee to consider finding a storage location for the excess chairs and tables as these are only required during congresses. Michele pointed out that the excess furniture makes it difficult for members to move around the room and access the coffee station.

- Doug Matthew to approach Dennis Lee to see if the Taiwanese Womens League would be able to assist.

Membership Register

Jane Whelan advised the Committee that, as a result of updating Pianola, there are a number of members for whom a residential address is not currently available even though this is required under the Club's Constitution. The Committee agreed that the Membership Application form should be updated to include both the postal and residential address.

- Alice Edwards to give a list of members without residential address to Michele Thorne
- Alice Edwards to update Membership Form

Compscore3

Jane Whelan reported that a new version of Compscore had been released and asked the Committee whether or not the club’s current software should be updated for a cost of \$75 in the near future. There are outstanding updates for the firmware for the bridgemates which will also need to be updated if the CompScore software is updated.

Jane Whelan moved that “if her investigation showed that upgrading to CompScore3 was worthwhile, she could organise the upgrade at a cost of \$75”. The motion was seconded by Alice Edwards. CARRIED.

- Jane Whelan to investigate whether the CompScore3 software is stable and whether other clubs have upgraded.

Covid Update

Jane Whelan commended club members for complying with the State Government’s mask wearing mandate without fuss.

The date and time of the next meeting will be advised after the AGM on 12th February 2022.

The meeting concluded at 2:45pm.

President

Secretary.....