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**MINUTES OF THE TAURANGA BRIDGE CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE CLUBROOMS, ON  
TUESDAY APRIL 15TH, 2025 AT 7:00PM**

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

**Apologies:** Rebecca Taylor, Hugh McAlister. **Accepted.**

**Minutes:** That the minutes of the previous meeting held on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 be confirmed.  
**KT/DG Carried**

**Matters Arising** nil.

**Correspondence**

- a) Kiwi Rail Lease -will await clarification on insurance cover options before signing off.
- b) COA -finally completed with TCC, all up cost has been 2.5K.
- c) Bridge Mate quote -we will need 2 servers, so get requote for grant application.
- d) Insurance re current cover. Do we need to get a re-evaluation of building value?  
Cost of re valuing? Cost to increase cover to 2 million?

**Matters Arising.** Karyl believes more signage required on leased land. KA and DF to meet with Mike Bailie to discuss further.

**Membership.**

Resignations received: Margaret Wham, Karen Glover, Grant Bush, Jude Prattley, Robyn Phillips, Meg Murray, Keith Kietzmann, Richard Arnold.

Accepted

Members leaving will be asked if they wish to be placed on the mailing list of a new grouping to be created in Hello Club. (Mike will create).

Beginners who continue on will be encouraged to purchase the blue name badges.

2 current members yet to rejoin for 2025 to be contacted by Kate and David by phone.

Kate believes NZ Bridge are working on ways to retain membership.



### **Health and Safety nil**

**Etiquette**- notice board is rotated regularly- to be announced periodically on Convener notices.

### **Conflict of Interest**- nil

### **Financial Report**- presented as

- a) March Profit and Loss.
- b) KPIs.
- c) Account balances on March 31st, 2025
- d) Flow chart table numbers for March.
- e) Profit and Loss to date-5months. Taking into account GST and Asset payments there is a current profit of 11K approx. **BUT** we have upcoming large payments which will wipe this out.

### **Program Committee**

Rebecca O. has suggested that the Women's Tournament will be Online for 2025 and is looking at the 2026 Charity event being held over 3 Tuesday afternoons in May.

**Sponsorship** Jones and Co.-part payment has been made.

**Future Club Options** nil to report.

### **Tournaments**

Jackie had summarised the planning for the upcoming tournaments -see attached page.

### **Regional Committee.**

1. The Directors/Scorers' Forum will be held at Rotorua Bridge Club rooms.
2. The next Bridge Teachers' Conference will be in Wellington in October. In the past the Tauranga Club has supported Mike to attend this important conference. Hugh believes we should resolve to do the same again, if he intends to attend. Financial subsidy should be available from the NZ Bridge Foundation.
3. There may be a Regional Championships trial for the Intermediate Division, possibly for the Seniors too. It is unlikely there will be enough numbers for the Open or Women's Divisions.



## **Club Captains Report**

Fun Over the Bridge was very successful with 20 tables.

Members had donated a tremendous spread for afternoon tea at completion of play. We should encourage more savoury than sweet in future.

With a scoring issue the competition was called a tie, meaning Tauranga retains the Trophy meantime.

Wednesday players are being encouraged to attend lesson recaps and are being more proactive in finding partners. Very pleasing to see Dale back.

## **Grants**

Cathy reported:

- 1) Car Park. 2 quotes for resealing the carpark-approx. \$87K and \$70K and suggests that due to the size of the cost they be done (and applied for) in 3 batches.
- 2) Repaint Wall. One quote for resealing the suspect wall from Mark Knox \$5K and seeking a second quote.
- 3) Bridge Mate replacement. Quote received from Jan Spaars \$14,500 will now include 2 servers.

After discussion the following motions were put and **carried unanimously**:

**“That The Tauranga Bridge Club Inc applies to Bay Trust for a Grant of up to \$4,500 excluding GST for Repainting the car park facing wall of the club rooms.”** Cathy Parker/Deidre Gunn.

**“That The Tauranga Bridge Club Inc applies to Pub Charity Limited for a Grant of up to \$14,500 excluding GST for Purchasing 40 new Bridge Mate III units plus 2 servers.”** Muriel Banks/Kate Terry

## **General Business**

### **a) Constitution.**

This needs to be progressed if we are to present at a July SGM.

### **b) Teaching/Lessons.**

Beginners' numbers settled at 17. Friday response disappointing but Kate wishes to retry Fridays.

Sundays could be an option.





Improvers lessons will be from May through to October/November -the second Tuesday each month. Cost at table money. Could "return to bridge" be another option?

Keryn impressed by signs and will obtain further information. Also need to check TCC regulations

c) **Bar.**

The second list of licenses has been approved.

Fridays and FOB have been promising to date.

The number of wine options could be reduced.

d) **Fundraising Function.** Given the financial position of the club, Keryn suggested a "fundraiser" to be arranged. Ideas to be sought, a tentative date of Sunday August 10<sup>th</sup>. Possibly used to fund inside redecoration of rooms. If so, use a professional interior designer?

e) **Printer.** Has been replaced under warranty.

f) **Alarm.** A false alarm had occurred at 3am on Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup> cause unknown in the kitchen area. Cost to club \$100. Noted. We should be emailed promptly of such occurrences.

Check who are the phone contacts -Rebecca and Kate happy to be listed.

g) **Honour Boards** -need updating + photos of Kate and Mike.

h) **Room for Hire.** Mike Bailie has replaced the "Room for Hire" sign with an updated version.

i) **Solar Panels.** Initial enquiries by Mike have shown that the club would still need to find the funding. Thus put on back burner as other issues are more urgent.

Next meeting May 20<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting closed at 8.39 pm.

Confirmed a true and accurate record.

CHAIR Michael Hart DATE 20 / 5 / 25