

WELLINGTON BRIDGE CLUB INC.

		Action
	Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 8th April 2013 at 5.45pm	
1	Present: Kevin Walker (Chair), Derek Snelling, Ruth Brucker, Bridget Willcox, John Wilkinson, Jenny Delany, Christine Haronga, Brad Tattersfield Maureen Pratchett.	
2	Apologies: Peter Barker	
3	Previous Minutes: The minutes of the Committee Meeting held 11 th March 2013 should read in para 6 “ <i>Consensus was that the few times we may require more <u>does not</u> warrant</i> ” Otherwise the minutes were confirmed: <i>Derek/Kevin</i>	
4	Matters Arising: Bridget to check we have 36 Bridge Pads F.A.Q. Maureen to implement as questions arise. Locks Bridget to sort. .	Bridget Maureen Bridget
4	Correspondence Inwards: NZ Bridge – Board Election - successful candidates Shirley Newton & Murray Wiggins NZ Bridge Magazine requesting club advertising in NZ Bridge Magazine. NZ Bridge – Arrangements for 15A Tournaments and IP Championships. (Arie Geursen) David Stevenson - Bill Hughes Simultaneous Pairs Patrick Carter (email) re Main Centre Pairs. Outwards; Thank you to Keiran Yates Victoria Bridge Club. Re interprovincial finals.	Bridget to respond
6	Directing and Scoring Main Centre Pairs; De-briefs from Allan Joseph and Maureen Pratchett. Maureen’s recommendations. (see separate report) Request received from Dinnie Hall for us to host the Centre Island Teams on the 10 th and 11 th of August. <i>All agreed</i> Jenny’s Budget. We wanted to charge \$40 for the Main Centre Pairs however the WRC wanted to keep to \$35.00. We require guidelines from Regional Committee for hosting such events. Bridget to check with Dinnie Hall. Kevin/Maureen Jenny and Bridget to plan for Centre Island Teams Dealing; Maureen talking to Duncan regarding training a back-up dealer.	Bridget Jenny Kevin Maureen
7	Financial Report: The financial reports were tabled. Accounts payable were approved: <i>Kevin/Brad</i> Table money figures appear light. Bridget to check out playing numbers in relation to table money.	

	<p>Bridget to check minutes from last year relating to amount given in travel subsidies.</p> <p>On-line Payments – Paypal was the cheapest option with charges of 6%, Float-a-cash charges even higher. Payments can be made on-line. Decided that the fees/costs too high, easier for members to be provided with our bank details and to pay directly to our account</p>	
8	<p>Managers Report: The manager’s report was tabled.</p> <p>Entertainment books sales steady. Defibrillator installed, just need signage from Wgtn Free Ambulance and to organise a time for training.</p>	
9	<p>Members and Lessons: Good turn of 7/8 tables.</p>	
10	<p>Tournaments and Social;</p> <p>Main Centre Pairs. A profit of about \$107.60. Issues with tidying of the playing room after each session.</p> <p>Novice tournament to be held, date to be organised, advice to other clubs and beginners. To be called a “New Players competition. Nan Wehipeihana has offered to sponsor a Novice Tournament.</p> <p>With our lessons coming to completion in May perhaps we could have a Victoria and Wellington combined beginners night (a one-off). Could include beginners from other clubs currently conducting lessons. Check with Victoria, Lower Hutt and Kairangi – would they want to “host” such an event or we could run at our club.</p>	
11	<p>Interclub. 54 teams in the competition this year.Six of the nine playing nights will be hosted at Wellington Club as we have 13 teams entered.</p>	
12	<p>IT: Nothing to report</p>	John
13	<p>PR and marketing:. Brad had 5 players at Social bridge, some are now playing Tuesdays</p>	
14	<p>Property: More investigation and work required for a report regarding the roof, some information is still to be located. Kevin and Bridget to report next month.</p> <p>Derek commented that there is a need to repaint and replaster the exterior of the building. If the roof repairs are to be delayed are we able to progress other maintenance issues.</p>	Kevin/Bridget
15	<p>General Business:</p> <p>Premier Teams. We propose to apply for the Schneideman Premier Teams to become a 5A metropolitan Event in 2014 Under NZ Bridge rules each region has the ability to hold 6 metropolitan events. Currently the Poppy Roberts 5Aand the Suzanne Duncan5A fall under this category. Wellington Regional Committee is in support. Substitution rules will need to adhere to NZ Bridge Rules. All agreed.</p> <p>We propose to ask the membership (via the newsletter) if they are in support of this change. The application need to be submitted to NZ Bridge before the end of the month.</p> <p>Table costs – to be discussed at a later date.</p>	

	<p>Tuesday Nights, Is there a problem? Maureen’s view that perhaps we could hold a lesson before the hand trophy Pairs. Perhaps Kerry Geertson (or some-one) Grade Captain to be asked for the Tuesday perspective and any feedback on what the club/committee could do to bolster numbers on a Tuesday. How to integrate new players, once they have completed lessons. Do we need a Tuesday player on the committee? Carparking; Improving Bar Takings; Improving.</p>	
	Complaints Sub-Committee. Nil	
	Meeting closed 8.20pm – next meeting Monday 13th May	

Action Items from previous minutes

1	Martin Reids “Par Contest” evening. Look at running this.	Jenny
2	Premier Teams: Currently the winners of the Premier Teams receive a free membership to the club for one year; they do however pay the NZ Bridge Levy. For the future we need to look at the possibility of sponsorship.	????
3	Novice Tournament Ruth to organise when current set of lessons is completed.	Ruth