

Minutes of the 81st Annual General Meeting Wellington Bridge Club Inc. 30th October 2015

Kevin Walker welcomed everyone - a great turn out. He declared the meeting open at 6.00pm and welcomed the members present.

In Attendance; Kevin Walker John Wilkinson, Derek Snelling, Bridget Willcox, Chris Bolland, Ken Betteridge, Gary Hanna, Damian Palmer, Jocelyn Grainger, Jenny Delany, Ann Tyrie, Lorraine Inglis, Pam Hancox, Rob Hunter, Jolene Zink, Isobel Ross, , Peter Benham, Alan Grant, Stephanie Smith, Toni Izzard, Tereska Knap, Patrick D'Arcy, John Davidson, Brad Tattersfield, Charlie Cahn, Maureen Pratchett, Christine Haronga, Peter Barker, Sue Johnstone, Vivienne Cannell, Margaret Curnow Liz Baker, Graham Potter, Simon Louisson, Glenn Bush, Sue Brown, Pauline Murtagh, Mike Murtagh, Julie Balance, Wayne Nicol, Susan Peacock, Matt Sutherland, Terry Neal, Ira Wickremesekera, Haley Fenwick, Amanda Hillock, Joan Waldvogel, Max Wigbout, Sandie Lepper, Tegan Bennik, Denise Barnett & Robyn Steele.
(Prue Barker as observer)

Apologies:

Bruce Ivamy, Allan Joseph, Gloria Crabbe, Allan Black, Ruth Brucker, Cheryl Scott, Phillippa Gardiner, Sue Green, Simon Dixie, Brenda Young, John Elliott, Anthea Black, Ross Tanner, Annie Fleetwood, Mary Weatherley, Julie Carter, John Miller, David May, Donna Upchurch, Pam Skogstad & Ruth Gotlieb.

*It was moved that apologies be received.
Kevin Walker/ Chris Bolland*

CARRIED

Confirmation of Minutes of 80th Annual General Meeting 31st October 2014
The minutes were circulated; they have been accepted and confirmed as a true and correct record

Toni Izzard/Charlie Cahn

CARRIED

Matters Arising.

No matters arising

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

As the Annual Report had been previously been circulated, they were taken as read.

Presidents Report – The Club continues to do well, current Membership at 423 with good numbers of new players from the lessons given by Alan Grant and assistance from Margaret Curnow. Playing nights are relatively steady. Property - External painting has been completed so the building is now presentable and water proof. A number of items still require upgrading. Well done to all Tournament Success. Thanks to directors, Club recorder Pat D'Arcy and all who have helped throughout the year.

Financial Report. Presented by John Wilkinson.

A good year with a small loss due to the exterior painting being completed with this year \$23,600 more on maintenance, generally a slightly better result across the board.

Bar – Controls have been put in place with great improvement to the gross profit. We continue to check monthly.

Building – Details of the Valuation, insurance and Rating Value are included in the financial report.

Questions/Comments from the floor-

- a) Querying the need to be GST registered. (As we have T/O exceeding \$60,000 a requirement to be GST Registered.
- b) Expenses – cost of “Club Manager” should be included with other personnel, directors and dealing costs to maintain privacy.
- c) Charitable Entity – is there benefit to the club – donations received are tax deductible.

Kevin Walker. Proposed that the Annual Report and Financial Statement be accepted seconded by Tereska Knap **CARRIED**

Election of Officers and Committee Nominations received

President	Mindy Wu
Vice President	Brad Tattersfield
Treasurer	John Wilkinson
Committee	Jenny Delany
	Maureen Pratchett
	Graham Potter
	Margaret Curnow
	Jocelyn Grainger
	Toni Izzard
	Derek Snelling
	Damian Palmer

Kevin asked if there are any other nominations for the committee. There being no further nominations those proposed were **duly elected**.

Election of Hon. Auditor and fixing of Honorarium

Subject to confirmation Kevin Walker proposed to ask Nikki Shone to continue as Auditor and the incoming committee to set the Honorarium

Kevin Walker/ Toni Izzard

CARRIED

ENTRANCE FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Kevin advised that it was proposed increase has been circulated. The Committee proposes an increase from \$90.00 to \$95.00 for ordinary members.

There followed some discussion on the pros and cons of a small increase. .

Observation that smaller increases often are preferable to larger ones occasionally. Query from the floor regarding a budget for the coming year – one has been prepared.

Following discussion it was agreed that the annual membership subscription be increased from \$90.00 to \$95.00 for an ordinary member and the table money remain unchanged for 2016 year.

No remits

General Business

Building Maintenance - a building Maintenance Schedule has been formulated the priority is the kitchen in particular the hob that needs replacing and replacement parts are unavailable. A kitchen upgrade is considered a priority. The committee will look at options to fund this and will consider either a one-off levy or asking for a donation along with fundraising. Also grant funding would be sought.

There followed discussions around these various options, specifically the difference between a levy and a donation, and if either were tax deductible. Also if the levy would be compulsory or optional inviting members to donate/contribute.

General discussion with no decision or consensus. Kevin proposed that the meeting let the incoming committee decide on the funding options.

Kevin gave special thanks to retiring committee member, Christine Haronga

Brad – vote of thanks to Kevin Walker for his presidency over the past three years and noted the improvements made in the finances and the building maintenance in particular.

Meeting Closed 7.05pm.