



Canberra Bridge Club

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Minutes –Thursday 12th April 2018 at 5.00 pm

Attendance: Pam Crichton, Val Carmody, Richard Hills, Mary Tough, Trish Arnold, John Brockwell, Ian Robinson, John Hemenstall, Perelle Scales.

Apologies: Sue Pillans, Neil Garvey, Cathi Bywater, Patricia McDonald, Claire Hughes.

1. **Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 8 March were accepted. Proposed Perelle Scales, seconded Richard Hills.

2. **Business arising from previous minutes**

Solar power investigation – John H is in contact with ACTEWAGL to progress the use of electricity usage monitors.

Wednesday morning - Bruce Crossman as Director made an announcement about the need to maintain fairly evenly sized sections and advised that as Director he may move people if there were no volunteers when the need arose.

3. **President's Report:**

3.1 The President and Treasurer are holding discussions with Lend Lease about the possibility of sponsorship which may take the form of transporting players in from Lend Lease properties or of sponsoring a special teaching session.

3.2 The Managers are to place a sign on their door, advising that they will be available for member queries, consultations for 30 minutes before and after sessions. The President stressed that this restricted access was essential to allow the managers to complete their work.

3.3 U3A classes will commence on 13 April with Jodi Tutty in charge

4. **Managers' Report:**

The Managers are still waiting on a quote for the engraving.

5. **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer reported that the Club finances were in a sound state.

6. **Directing Report:**

6.1 Ian Robinson reported that directing going reasonably well at the moment.

6.2 Jodi Tutty commenced directing on Thursday 12 April.

6.3 Progress on installing new dealing software (Big Deal) slow.

7. Sub-Committees:

7.1 Membership and Promotions:

No report this month

7.2 Tournament & Calendar:

7.2.1 Neither CBC nor BFACT will accept the WBF's invitation to run a heat of the 2018 Worlwide Pairs Contest.

7.2.2 CBC has acquired a new sponsor for the Southern Tablelands Teams on 20 May – the Australian Bridge Magazine

7.2.3 Bridge for Brains will be held during the afternoon session on Friday 11 May. Envelopes for donations will be available all week and directors will make appropriate announcements before each session.

7.3 Employment & Contracts:

Emily Inglis has commenced as Co – office manager.

7.4 House:

7.4.1 Regrettably BFACT declined to assist with resurfacing of the car park

7.4.2 Carpets in front corridor and up to Olive Lott room have been cleaned.

7.4.3 John H to rotate the paintings in the Barry Turner Room to give e “new” look.

7.4.4 Placing the cones seems to have stopped parking in the area for emergency vehicles.

7.4.5 John and Neil are to re-paint yellow lines in the car park.

7.4.6 Sealing of roof flue progressing.

7.5 Congress and Social:

Planning for Trivia Night well underway. Entry sheet in Barry Turner Room. It was decided that there would be small prizes for any particularly amusing answers. These will awarded at the sole discretion of the marker.

7.6 Education:

7.6.1 The Committee received a comprehensive report from the Co-ordinators of the club's novice Player programme. The retention rate from beginner lessons to club membership and continued play continues to be impressive. This year an additional supervised session is being offered on a Friday morning after lessons on that day. This decision was designed to help alleviate the congestion on a Thursday morning. At this stage the co-ordinators will continue to hold a lesson before Thursday session until the end of June when it will be reviewed.

7.6.2 The Co-ordinators have developed a new 4 week course, Competitive Bidding and Defence, which will be run twice during 2018, with the first time commencing in May. The CBC recommends a fee of \$15 for each 2 hour lesson and \$55 for all four lessons

7.6.3 Perelle reported that the Skills Development Workshops with Laura Ginnan and Peter Hollands (28 and 29 April) are proving to be very popular with both CBC members and also others from regional clubs who were invited to attend.

7.7 BFACT:

Pam reported that BFACT has agreed to pay CBC \$2768 for dealing boards for the ANC and \$1000 towards the cost of the Skills Development Workshops.

7.8 Evening Players:

No report this month

7.9 Website sub-committee:

No report this month.

8. Correspondence:

In:

Out: Letter to ACT Transport re Consultation for one way Scheme for Duff Place, agreeing that one way northbound bound with entry from Macgregor Street would be suitable

9. Other Business:

9.1 Pam Crichton moved, seconded by Perelle Scales that the December 2017 motion re table fees for players under 25 be rescinded and replaced with the following:

That table money for members of the CBC on Tuesday and Thursday nights is \$13, and that table money for concession holders be \$2 less;

That table money for players less than 26 years of age, and not in full time employment, be 50% of member rates in any CBC event;

That players less than 26 years of age and in full time employment pay full table money.

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9.2 Bridge4Kids, to be held 17th April, Patricia McDonald, Elaine Leach and the Crossmans to supervise.

The President asked committee members to try to support the Friday morning bridge session to continue to help it grow.

9.3 Ian Robinson and John Hempenstall sought and obtained approval to conduct an informal survey about the likely support of members for a recycling project to raise funds for CBC

10. Next Meetings:

Committee Meeting Thursday 10 May 2018 at 5pm

AGM Tuesday 25th September 2018 at 5.30pm

11. Acton Items and Members responsible:

Action item 1: Pam Crichton to send new table of fees to Claire Hughes for promulgation on website.

Action Item 2: Pam Crichton to canvass committee members to clarify sub-committee memberships.

Action Item 3: John Hempenstall and Neil Garvey to paint new yellow lines in car park.

Action Item 4: Pam Crichton to discuss proposed fees for May classes with Barb Toohy.

12. Long Term Agenda Items:

Partnership promotion

Meeting closed at 6.50pm