Parkes Bridge Club Committee Meeting Thursday 25th May, 2023 at 11:30 Lutheran Church Hall

Meeting Opened: 11:30am

Chair: Kevin Robinson

Present: Kevin Robinson, Jill Petersen, Susie MacNamara and Rosemary Morris

Apologies: Tim Baker, Nancye Blatch and Lee McCabe

Minutes of Last Committee Meeting - 9th February, 2023 read and approved with correction to minutes of name Pauline GUMBY

Business arising:

- 1. Application to hold Mini Congress Teams Day submitted by Rosemary to Pauline Gumby and approved.
- 2. ABF on-line survey completed by Rosemary
- 3. Pencils arrived and in use. Ingrid reimbursed
- 4. Tables and cloths purchased by Kevin and now in use
- 5. Bridge instruction: Susie approached and happy to teach interested people at her home. Jill and Kevin volunteered to assist Susie
- 6. Agnes Hewett Day a success. Nancye Blatch, on behalf of the Que Club, did a wonderful job preparing the food on the day. \$200 paid to the Que Club. Still waiting on accounts from ABF/NSWBA. Jill expected there will be a small loss incurred for the running of the day

Correspondence:

- 1. Rosemary distributed all as appropriate.
- 2. Sympathy cards sent to Wendy Andrew and Anita Metcalf
- 3. NSW Office of Support acquittal form regarding the funds donated for the purchase of the defibrillator almost completed. Jill to get copies of Beth Thomas and her own recent First Aid Certificates to attach to form as proof of trained personnel required. Jill check all information completed and submit.
- 4. Conditions of use Form for the use of the Coventry Room received when Kevin booked the room for our Mini Congress. Copies to be sent to all committee members. Jill volunteered to scan and send as secretary's scanner not working.

Treasurers Report:

- 1. Treasurer submitted bank statements for March and April and Reconciliations sheets for February, March and April. Approved by committee.
- 2. Balance as at April 30th was \$10,636.88
- 3. IBA holding of \$6000 lapsed in mid April as bank didn't automatically roll over. Jill to reinvest with best interest asap.

Business on Notice:

1. AGM to be held on Thursday, July 27th, 2023 at 11:00 in the Lutheran Church Hall. Nomination forms are available from Kevin or Rosemary.

A list of positions will be posted on the notice board.

Kevin to approach all current committee members to check on their interest in continuing on as a committee member.

New members are most welcome and current committee members encouraged to seek out bridge club members interested in playing a role.

Nominations forms need to be received by Secretary Rosemary at least 24 hours before the meeting on July 27th.

2. Mini Congress - Muriel Waddell Teams Day on Sunday, 20th August, 2023

Coventry Room booked by Kevin with Librarian, Kerin Jones. Cost of hire \$35. Form - Condition of Use received as noted in correspondence.

Kevin to approach David Reddel to be the director on the day.

Kevin asked Greig Ball to prepare a Flyer for the Teams Day. Approved with minor adjustments. Greig to send copy of Flyer to the secretary so it can be sent out to other bridge clubs and a copy placed on the notice board.

Kevin proposed a new winners section - a restricted teams (each of the four members must have under 100 points). Prize money of \$60 for team. Approved by committee.

Prize money/gifts for other winning teams - 1st place, 2nd place and best local team yet to be decided.

General Business:

- Kevin suggested the Bridge Club purchase a gas cylinder for the Lutheran Church. The cost of gas is increasing and the Bridge Club is a major user of the gas. The church committee has discussed increasing the rent hire of the room to cover costs but no decision has been made. Committee approved Kevin talk to Pastor James, check cost of a gas cylinder isn't greater than the mooted rent hall hire increase and purchase if cost appropriate.
- Discussion on the value of having a Bridge Club Facebook page. Suggestion approved by Jill that decision be made by all bridge members present at the General Meeting following the AGM Elections of the Committee

Meeting Closed: 12:20

General Meeting to follow AGM on Thursday July 20th at 11:30. Next Committee Meeting to be arranged by new president.