

PARKES BRIDGE CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Date: 27th July 2023

Venue: Parkes Lutheran Church

Opened: 11:30am

PRESENT: Greig Ball, Tim Baker, Kevin Robinson, Barbara Hughes, Jill Peterson, Beryl Twardy, Laurie Keane, Dawn Phipps, Margaret Hawken, Joan Reilly, Rosemary Morris and Susie McNamara

APOLOGIES: Beth Thomas, Peter Dearden, Jennifer Freeman, Vicki Burke, Stephen Morris, Nancye Blatch, Warren Blatch and Lee McCabe

CHAIR: Tim Baker

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING (17th NOVEMBER 2022)

Rosemary read the minutes of General Meeting.

Accepted as read.

No business arising from the Minutes.

COMMS: (ROSEMARY)

Electronic

Rosemary advised most correspondence arrives by email and she distributes to who appropriate.

Question raised if Joan Butts emails to continue to be distributed to all members and meeting agreed.

Post

Outward

27th July 2023: ATO – Request for Refund of TFN Withholding Tax taken on IBD's.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Tim

Tim mentioned he was inaugural Bridge Club President for a short term. He is happy to take advice.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer report circulated to members by Jill by email prior to meeting.

A request was made on impact of reducing fees back to \$5 per playing session.

Budget calculation was made with approx. \$3K loss and would mean accessing invested funds.

Members felt reserve funds needed.

Motion moved by Suzie McNamara fees remain at \$7 per playing session.

Second Gai Baker.

Carried.

BUSINESS ON NOTICE	ACTION BY
<p>1. Mini Congress in 3 weeks 20th August 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coventry Room organised. • 3 tables at this time – Kevin will follow up for more out of town. • List on board for locals • Rosemary has approached quota for kitchen – expecting response anytime now. Nancye has provided detailed list of catering requirements – Barbara/Gai & Rosemary to organise. • David Reddell (Director) to be advised of table numbers by Thursday 17th August Mob: 0488260002 	<p>Kevin</p> <p>Rosemary</p> <p>Rosemary</p> <p>Rosemary/Gai/Barbara</p> <p>Tim</p>
<p>2. Xmas Party 17th December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutheran church or Golf Club Golf club \$30 per head Gai will approach Pastor James for a quote. 	<p>Gai</p>
<p>3. Sponsorship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 places available on Web Page to promote sponsors. Already have Cammeray wines and A A Blatch • Greig Ball advised TBIB Insurance has great travel insurance available to ABF members. They have indicated willingness to sponsor us for \$200. 	

GENERAL BUSINESS	ACTION BY
<p>1. Lack of Members Attendance at General Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joan Reilly expressed concern at lack of members attending general meetings and communication not getting through to members. • Jill suggested next General meeting be incorporated with Thursday social drinks. • All Meeting Minutes available on Parkes Bridge club Web Page under About Us tab – then publications • Ensure each before each bridge session mention is made • of upcoming & recent events. 	<p>Tim/Steve/Jill/Kevin</p>
<p>2. My ABF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greig spoke of MY ABF, encouraging members to sign up. It gives you a personal ABF account you can login to. Over time this will grow to be your main online interaction for all your bridge activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Manage your personal details II. View your masterpoints III. View, enter, and pay for bridge events IV. See announcements from the ABF, your State and your Club. V. Participate in bridge discussion forums VI. Run a “Bridge Credits” account with the ABF which you can put money into to pay for your bridge entries 	

<p>VII. View your results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For clubs Manage a bridge event and accept online entries and payments:<ol style="list-style-type: none">I. Generate a webpage listing for your eventII. Manage online entries from playersIII. Manage payments (online and offline) from players.IV. Online payments are made via the ABF “Bridge credits” system which removes the need to set up your own facility to accept online payments. Entry fees are credited to the club’s own “Bridge Credits” account which are then reimbursed to the club from the ABF (less a charge for transaction fees)	
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Meeting closed 12.10pm

Next General Meeting 16th November 2023 11.30am

Next Committee Meeting FOR Mini Congress & Xmas Party Discussion Thursday 3rd August 11.30am