

# PARKES BRIDGE CLUB

**MEETING TYPE:** GENERAL

**DATE:** 19 July 2018

**TIME:** 11:30

**VENUE:** Parkes Leagues Club

**CHAIR:** Rosemary Morris, President

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## **Present:**

Bev Laing, Keith Fiedler, Rosemary Morris, Isabel Orange, Dawn Phipps, Joan Reilly, Margaret Hawken, Jan Freeman, Anne Berkeley, Greig Ball, Robyn Sheridan, Beth Symington, Jenny Freeman, Suzie McNamara, Peter Quin, John Quin, Fay Shaw

## **Apologies:**

Val Worthington, Stephen Morris, Beryl Twardy, Ingrid Stephenson, Warren Blatch, Nancye Blatch, Barbara Hughes, Wendy Andrews, Margaret Powter, Liz Matthews, Jan Latter

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## **3 Review Action List**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>BY WHOM</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
Develop asset log etc	Robyn	Completed
Report on trial of Saturday Bridge	Keith and Greig	Keith noted that there are a regular group of 8 players only and this is insufficient to cover costs. Loss still made with 3 tables. Greig suggested we cease the trial at this point. Members agreed. Rosemary thanks Keith and Greig for their efforts in trialling the Saturday sessions.
List of invitees for silver anniversary to be provided to Robyn	All members	No recommendations received by the secretary. Celebration with cutting of cake on playing day closest to the anniversary occurred. Cake cut by Audrey Somers and Julie Dearden (longest serving and newest members present on the day).

## **4 General Business:**

### **4.1 Discuss Partners/Mentors for new players**

Suggestion was made to allocate a mentor to each new player and that this person would be the only member to provide playing advice to the new player. It was noted

that new players receive a lot of differing advice at each table which becomes confusing and undermines confidence. Members agreed that this would be worth trialling.

#### **4.2 Grand National Open Teams (GNOT) Qualifying Rounds**

Parkes Bridge Club members could choose to participate in the regional qualifying rounds of the GNOT. Keith spoke to David Reddell and there was still time to participate. Need to run 2 qualifying sessions at a fee of \$12 per table. Best players from these rounds for Parkes would attend the regional finals in Orange on the 16 September. Costs for the finals would be \$200 per table. Sessions must be a Mitchell movement. Rounds to be held in Parkes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays in August. Consideration to be given to sponsoring the attendance at the regional finals from the Club funds.

#### **4.3 Date of Muriel Waddell Teams Day**

A suggestion had been made to move this day to another warmer month next year due to poorer than usual attendance in 2017. It was noted that other Clubs are only getting 12/13 tables on team's days as well. Keith checked calendar with David Reddell and it was found that the calendar is too full in other months to warrant the movement of this day. To remain in August.

#### **4.4 Bringing in New Members**

Suggestions that we contact Parkes Library to provide a demonstration session/s, Rotary Club, View Club and Quota. Any members who participate in these organisations (or others) are encouraged to raise Bridge as an opportunity for people to participate. Robyn to contact the Library.

#### **4.5 Life Memberships**

A suggestion has been made that we consider giving Life Memberships as part of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Discussion about what criteria should be met to be eligible for life membership and implications for Club if many members were eligible. Suggested criteria and nominations to be given to Robyn. Will be referred to a Committee meeting for further discussion. Suggestion that it would need to be included in the Constitution.

#### **4.6 Xmas Party 2018**

Agreed by meeting to hold the party at the Parkes Leagues Club. Dawn to obtain a quote. Bev asked to consider organising the entertainment. Break up day for 2018 will be the **20 December** and party will be held that evening after Thursday bridge session.

#### **4.7 Muriel Waddell Day**

Dawn said quote was for \$18 per head for food. Increase of \$3 per head since Agnes Hewett day. Cost to be set at \$35 per head. Robyn has sent out flyers but got a bounce back on email to Narromine. To re-send.

## **5 Business Without Notice**

**5.1 Elvis Bridge Session** – suggestion that the Club run a Bridge session during the Elvis festival for visitors to the town. Bridge cannot occur at the PLC as it is fully booked at this time. Further discussion to occur on whether we can locate a venue with correct sized tables.

**5.2 Minutes of meetings** – Joan asked where minutes are made available. All minutes are placed in the grey display folder on the desk at each playing session. All members have access to all minutes also via the website.

**5.3 Donation to Cancer Care West** – discussed with members about commitment of \$500 again this year to CCW. Motion to continue this arrangement for 2018 Moved: M Hawken. Seconded: McNamara Carried.

### **5.4 Thank you to Isabel Orange**

Isabel has retired from the Committee. Isabel has given many hours of time and service to the Club for which the Club is extremely grateful.

**Meeting Closed:** 12:30    **Next Meeting:** to be advised

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>BY WHOM</b>	<b>BY WHEN</b>
Donation of \$500 to be sent to Cancer Care West	Robyn Sheridan Dawn Phipps	Completed
Consider Elvis Bridge session venue with appropriate tables	Rosemary Morris	Next meeting
Re-send flyer for Muriel Waddell Day to Narromine	Robyn Sheridan	Completed
Obtain quote for Xmas party from PLC	Dawn Phipps	October
Give suggested criteria for life memberships to secretary	All members	October
Contact Library regarding Bridge demonstration days	Robyn Sheridan	Completed
Raise Bridge lessons/club with other organisations eg Rotary, View etc	Any members of PBC and other organisations	Next meeting
Organise GNOT sessions for August	Keith Fiedler	Completed
Action the allocation of partners/mentors for new members	Val Worthington Rosemary Morris	Pending