

Thames Bridge Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting held 11am on Monday 2 September 2024

Expected: Carol, Greg, , Karen W, Barbara, Sabrina, Judith

Apologies: Louise, Lorraine, Sue, Ted

Accepted

Moved: Greg

Seconded: Karen

Minutes of the previous meeting on 12 August 2024 had been circulated and are on our website.

Moved: *That the minutes of the Committee Meeting held 12 August 2024 are a true and correct record of that meeting.*

Moved: Barbara **Seconded:** Carol

Correspondence:

1. **Pub Charity Ltd – Approval of Grant.** Secretary to send thank you letters to Pub Charity Ltd to contributing Organisations in our area – namely Admirals Arms Hotel, Smitty's Sports Bar & Grill, The Rocker Box and Whangamata Sports Bar.

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

1. **New Lights** – Fully Installed - Big Improvement!
2. **Review of Constitution** – Judith will obtain a copy of the Draft Constitution produced by the Matamata Bridge Club, and if it has been approved by the Registrar of Incorporated Societies, it could be used as the basis for our new Constitution.
3. **Festival 2025:** Many helpers will be needed – especially on the 10th, 11th and 12th January. Planning has started. Entries are open. School Hall is booked. Scorer is booked. Director will be Norm Silcock.

General Business

1. **Scorers.** Carol and Lorraine are getting acquainted with Compass – yippee!
2. **Thames Restricted Tournament.** September 8. 10½ tables so far.
3. **NZ Wide Pairs.** 15 November – poster on the board. Need director (Michael Ware?) and scorer (Josie?) If we have insufficient entries we will cancel. Decision at 4th November Committee meeting.
4. **Thames Christmas Tournament:** Sunday 17 November – need Director and Scorer. Greg to contact Ella Gray, and to advertise on the WB Directors' Forum
5. **Disposal/Storage of surplus chairs.** The High School do not want any. It was decided that we would offer them for sale for \$10 each. Carol to set up advertising on social media.
6. **Planning for AGM** – 25 November at 11am.
7. **Program 2025** – Ted has prepared draft programs for Mon, Tues and Friday. He will send copies to Committee members. At the next meeting (7 October) the committee will finalise the program book – including any changes wanted for advertising, Compa\$\$ information, references to WB Bridge Club,
8. **On-Line Entries 2025** – Our current system, based on our website, is not as useful as it could be. Is there a better way? Secretary to contact Milan. Judith to Contact Bob Fearn.
9. **New Member** – Christine Meinhold's membership was approved
10. **Membership forms for New Members and Officers:** Judith to update to meet the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

Finance Report:

A finance report for the period 1 August to 31 August

Moved: *"The Assistant Treasurer's Report be received, that Louise be thanked for her work, and that payments the following accounts received be approved"*

Moved: Judith **Seconded:** Karen

Payments to be approved for payment

Donna Davenport – cleaning (5)	350.00
Engraving	160.50
Books	64.67
Bridge Dues & Levies	744.97
Genesis – Electricity	131.64
Spark – Phone & Internet	45.00
Microsoft 365	129.00
Web Site	192.00
Travel to IP's	70.00
Club Expenses	54.75

Total Payments from 1 August to 31 August 2024 **\$1,887.78**

Meeting Adjourned: 12.30pm

Continuation of meeting on Thursday 5 September at 4.30pm

Attendance: Ted and Lorraine joined the meeting

Club Delegate to NZBridge AGM: *We approve **Ted Cliffin** to be our delegate to the AGM to be held in Mt Maunganui on 27 September.*

Moved: Greg Seconded: Carol

Prizes for Restricted Tournament to be:

1st overall \$70 each

1st Each strata \$40 each

2nd Each Strata \$35 each

Maximum of one prize per person.

Next Meeting: 7 October at 11am

Meeting Closed: 4.46 pm