

# Thames Bridge Club

## Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 11am on Monday 3 February 2025

Expected: Carol, Sue, Greg, Ted, Karen W, Barbara, Louise, Barbara, Judith, Sabrina

Apologies: Barbar "Accepted" Moved: Greg Seconded: Carol

Minutes of the previous meeting on 4 November 2024 had been circulated and are on our website.

Moved: That the minutes of the Committee Meeting held 4 November 2024 are a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Sue Seconded: Lpraine

### Matters Arising from Previous Meeting on 4 November

- 1. Greg will contact WBBC re changing of date of Christmas Tournament 2025 from 5 October to 2 November – DONE
- 2. Festival 2025: Report was discusseed
- 3. Thames Christmas Tournament: Sunday 17 November – Report was discussed
- 4. Draft Constitution was adopted at the AGM, sent to the Registrar of Incorporated Societies, and approved by them. We are now governed by the rules of Constitution of the Thames Bridge Club Inc. 2024
- 5. The Committee unanimously recommended that Carol Crowfoot be appointed as a Life Member in recognition of pre-eminent service to the Club over a long period of time. This was forwarded to the AGM where it was adopted by acclamation.

### Matters Arising from Previous Meeting on 25 November

- 1. Club Captain – Ted Cliffin appointed
- 2. Consent and Certificate of Officer forms are being kept by the secretary
- 3. Programs Printed – late and with some typos.
- 4. Honours Boards - painted
- 5. Donation to Bob Fearn – paid.

Moved: ' That the minutes of the Committee Meeting held 25 November 2024 are a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Karen Seconded: Sue

### General Business

- 1. The Schedule of our tournaments for 2025-26 is

THAMES RESTRICTED PAIRS	7 September 2025	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	8B
THAMES CHRISTMAS PARTY	2 November 2025	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	8B
THAMES FESTIVAL WELCOME PAIRS / EVENING SESSION 1	9 January 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	3A
THAMES SUMMER FESTIVAL	9 January 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	All grades	
THAMES FESTIVAL BARCLAY OPEN SWISS PAIRS	10 January 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	5A
THAMES FESTIVAL WELCOME PAIRS / EVENING SESSION 2	10 January 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	3A
THAMES FESTIVAL JOHN ELDRIDGE OPEN TEAMS	11 January 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	5A
UNCONFIRMED THAMES RESTRICTED PAIRS	6 September 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	8B
UNCONFIRMED THAMES CHRISTMAS PARTY	4 October 2026	Thames	Waikato Bays Region	Open	8B

Moved:"The secretary to request via WBRC to shift the date of the Christmas Part for 4 October 2026 to 1 November 2026"

Moved: Ted Seconded: Carol

- 2. Asset Register: - Karen W was thanked for her work, and Louise and/or Karen will work out a current valuation of our assets
- 3. Notice of Motion: To be moved by Ted that: "No one pair can play more than one session in an "Individual" event." This topic was discussed at length and strong concerns expressed by members of the Committee that the current practice of a few senior members of the Club were not following the spirit with which the rules for "Individual" competitions are offered, and the outcome for many Club members is that (a) they believe these player are skewing the legitimate results achieved by the rest of the field, and/or (b) The holding of "Individual" Competitions is to give ALL players the opportunity to play with some of the best players in the Club. The Motion was withdrawn for the time being by the mover.
- 4. Club Director: NZ Bridge has introduced two initiatives to encourage Club Members to become confident in directing at their Clubs. Details of

- i. A Short Course leading to a Certificate of Achievement, run on- line fortnightly from Saturday 22 February to Saturday 3 May, and then by an Online 90 minute quiz, which will be available from Sunday 4 May until Sunday 18 May. There will be no charge for participants and no examination is involved
- ii. This will be followed by 2 Practical sessions on Saturday 10 May and Saturday 17 May. For those who continue and obtain qualifications as Club Directors.

More details are available from your Club Secretary.

5. **Compass Scoring.** Is being rewritten by Bob Fearn, and some members of the NZ Bridge Community are assisting with the testing and implementation.. The test runs of the new version are very impressive – clearer, simpler, and quicker. We look forward to hearing more.

#### Finance Report:

A finance report for the period 1 November 2024 to 31 January 2025 was provided

**Moved:** *“The Treasurer’s Report be received, that Louise be thanked for her work, and that payments of the following accounts received be approved”*

Moved: Greg      Seconded: Karen

#### Payments to be approved for payment

Donna Davenport – cleaning (2)	140.00
Genesis – Electricity (2)	381.29
Spark – Phone & Internet (2)	151.34
Festival Expenses	1,791.07
Festival Prizes	3,440.00
Club Exps:    Phone	101.56
Power	250.13
Stationery	218.67
General	429.62
Pak n Save (1)	382.82
Pak n Save (2)	590.80

**Total Payments from 1 August to 31 August 2024**

**\$7877.30**

**It was decided:** *“To transfer some of the cash in our cheque account - \$2000 to our On-Call Saving account, and \$5,000 to a term Investment Account”*

Moved: Judith      Seconded: Sabrina

**Next Meeting: 3 March 2026 at 11am** – Apologies in advance from, Judith, Karen and Ted

**Meeting Closed: 12.30**