

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
WAVERLEY BRIDGE CLUB INC. HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS
ELECTRA AVENUE, ASHWOOD ON
Tuesday August 12th, 2008 at 6.00 p.m.**

PRESENT: I. Carling, D. Lavers, M. Elson, B. Campbell, D. Jacobs, J. Quirk.

APOLOGIES: Peter Buchanan, Sue Battley

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on July 1, 2008 were agreed by all present and signed by the President.

1. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 1.1 Gavin Wigginton has a copy of the Club constitution and is looking at it. Doug said that certain mandatory changes will need to be made, and Gavin has requested that the Committee suggest other needed changes. The Committee will list provision for email posting of Club papers and a change to the Club subscription year from July 1 – June 30, to January 1 – December 31. Gavin will report back in 2 or 3 weeks.
- 1.2 The Interclub competition will be held in November and Quentin Van Mary Abbe has agreed that Friday Nov 14 and Monday Nov 17 are likely dates.
- 1.3 Action on barcoded vouchers is ongoing.
- 1.4 Player reaction to the recently held Croft Teams was not favourable. Joan, Diana The venue was too small, scoring was a problem, the format was not appropriate for the event and questions were raised about the handicapping system used. A letter will be written to the FABCV expressing our concerns.
- 1.5 Mary spoke to Jan Jay who expressed her pleasure at the Committee suggestion that an event be named after Denis Jay, our Club founder. A morning event, probably a Swiss Pairs, will be chosen, and included in the 2009 calendar.
- 1.6 A letter was sent to Franci Halmos regarding the incident during the running of the Seniors Heat on April 19. We consider that this is now the end of the matter.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards: VBA regarding events for 2009
Pat Nottle regarding provision of biscuits

Outwards: 26 letters welcoming new members
168 letters regarding payment of subscriptions
Jan Jay regarding naming of event
Franci Halmos regarding incident on April 19 2008

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

1. Diana will speak to Martin about event planning for 2009. Diana
2. The committee discussed provision of biscuits to players. It was decided that the Club's long habit of providing snacks was an important part of the Mary

atmosphere and social fabric of the Club and the Club would suffer if it was discontinued. A request will be made to members to confine themselves to taking one or two biscuits.

Mary will write to Pat Nottle and pass on the Committee's decision.

4. REPORTS

Reports were presented and accepted for:

Attendance	June 2008
	July 2008
Accounts	June 2008
	July 2008
Manager's report	July 2008

Doug has requested a printout of the Assets register and all depreciation in order to complete the annual accounts. This will be done before the end of the week. The auditor will be receiving the books for 2007 – 08 shortly. Mary

MANAGER'S REPORT JULY 2008

Collection of subscriptions is nearing completion. A 168 reminder letters were recently posted. This is close to the number sent last year, when 151 were sent. A second letter will be posted in two weeks.

A heat of the Australia Wide Novice Pairs was held at WBC on July 25. We received entries from 28 pairs, and 27 pairs turned up on the night. A good time was had by all, and the players enjoyed the supper provided while they waited for the results. Attendance at the Friday morning Supervised class suffered somewhat, but overall it was well worth the effort. Club members Judith Steinberg and Dell Macneil distinguished themselves by scoring over 73% and a photo with a couple of hand analyses has been sent to Australian Bridge, which we hope may publish the material.

I believe that we should consider running a semi-regular novice event, possibly with a variety of formats, on Friday evenings, which are not very well attended at the moment. A mix of formats would give new players experience in all forms of play, and provide a non-threatening venue.

Beginner's classes have started. I was concerned that enrolments were low – one reason being that the promotional material intended for the Waverley Leader was not printed as requested. However, a total of 29 students have begun classes and there will be 5 or 6 more joining in as the course progresses. While not up to the 52 enrolling for the last course, it is still a respectable number.

Vouchers ran out during Martin's absence for the ANC and a substitute was used. Just on 1000 sheets have been sold since October last year.

My congratulations to Paula Schroor who was a member of the victorious Women's Team at the Queensland ANC just finished.

Iris said that email contact can be made with local papers with information for printing. Mary
Mary will get more information.

5. NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications have been presented to the Committee and accepted for:

Irene Scott, Coral Vercoe, Samuel Bell, Anne Walshe, Maree Pawsey, Sue Casey, Mary Allison, Thomas Kowalczyk, Norm George and Jill George.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Doug Lavers, Iris Carling and Ray Anderson attended a meeting with the new Manager of Corporate Services, Carolyn McLean, Danny Wain, Manager Financial Services, Marilyn Kearney, Director Corporate Planning and Finance and Miles Davine, at which payment of GST on Club contributions was discussed. Doug
Mary
Mary will ring the ATO to request information on refund of GST,

and Doug will engage an accountant for advice.

A contract will be prepared for our inspection shortly. It is expected that we will need to hold a Special Meeting to discuss our agreements with Club membership.

2. Mary left the meeting while the Committee discussed cost of living increases to her salary. It was decided that 8% should be awarded to cover cost of living since Mary began work in November 2005, and 5% for session work. It was also decided that \$5 per session be added to directors' fees.
3. Iris enquired when Mary would be using her recreation leave. Mary replied that she had taken more than 2 weeks last November and anticipated taking a substantial amount of leave early next year.
4. A regular Novice event – under 35 MP – will be trialled in November, on Friday evenings. A variety of formats will be used to acquaint newer players with all forms of the game. It is hoped that this will not have a negative impact on other sessions.

The meeting closed at 7.10 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 9 at 6.00 p.m.