Minutes of the Committee Meeting held in the Ashburton Bridge Clubrooms on Wednesday 8 Oct 2025

Present: M Holdaway (Chair), L Wackrow, J Shearer, M Buckland, S Reid, S Durry, D Fisher, B Oakley, S Rosevear, H Sim, A Watson

Apologies: None

Declaration of possible conflict of interests: None

Minutes: Minutes from Committee Meeting of 10 Sept 2025 were accepted as circulated. Heather/ Amanda

Matters arising: (Action list)

1. Chattels list will be finished shortly.
2. There was a long discussion about the bar and office renovation. Moved that the subcommittee have another meeting and come back to the next meeting with definite plans. Sue/Leigh
3. Bidding pads – order 300 bidding pads from BridgeNZ, after checking with Sonia that she wants to have sponsorship printed on them. Sue/Shirley
4. Check with Lyn Bridge re advertising in program.
5. Check with Sonia re advertising in program.
6. Mugs have been bought – 25.
7. Website – try to have photos on homepage scrolling when viewed on a phone.
8. Picnic table – readvertise if a member has an unused one they can donate. Otherwise look at buying one nearer our next tournament.
9. The cleaner contract was clarified. Moved that the living wage be paid now, and in future wages be increased as per the living wage from 1st September. Heather/David
10. Strategic plan – moved that the suggested changes to the Strategic Plan be adopted. Leigh/Heather.

Correspondence:

Moved "that the Committee receive the inward correspondence and approve the outward correspondence" John/ Amanda

Matters Arising:

Finance:

The report for the month of Sept 2025 has been circulated. Income was $5,041.50 and payments totalled $2,680.65. The balances in the bank at 30 Sept 2025 were:

- $17,214.44 (current account)
- $37,312.10 (term deposits).

The report also listed accounts totalling $2,379.14 scheduled to be paid on 20 Oct.

The financial report was accepted, the payments made were ratified and the payments due were approved. Sheryl / Amanda
The term investment due soon to be reinvested for six months. Sheryl/Sue

$10,000 from the current account be put into a 6 month term deposit at Heartland. Bronwyn/David

Sub Committee Reports:

Match: Promotions – to be in general business
Social: None
House: None
Buildings and Grounds: None
Computer: None
Health and Safety: None

General Business:

1. County Lions to be offered 1st or 8th June for their Mahjong tournament.
2. Waireka to be offered 19th June for their bridge tournament, and 14th August for their Mahjong tournament.
3. Methven to be asked if they want to choose a date for next year.
4. Program. To be printed once details are finalised. Cover to be Kermit green.
5. Pens – we are short of pens on the table. Sponsorship to be sought for pens.
6. Interclub teams. Current selection policy to be used. (Ratings plus A points)
7. Moved that clause 2.1 of the Disputes Resolution Policy to be altered to refer to Rule 14 in the current 2025 constitution, rather than Rule 10 of the previous constitution. Mary/Leigh
8. It was agreed that the entry fee for next year's tournaments be the same as this year's.
9. It was agreed that 22 tables be the maximum number for a tournament.
10. It was suggested that people who have entered our tournaments be emailed two days before the tournament to be reminded of paying their entry fee online.
11. The promotions policy online, and also on the noticeboard, be updated and clarified.
12. It was suggested that we investigate the possibility of having bridge lessons in winter school holidays, and also at the Methven Summer School.
13. Members to be reminded about the possibility of getting hard-plastic name badges from Ashburton Engravers.
14. Cancer Society to be allowed to sell raffle tickets for a limited time at the club.
15. Adverts will not be allowed on the bridge Facebook page.
16. Promotions:
    - Bronze to Silver: Eva Berther-Lindmeier, Marilyn Cross
    - Silver to Gold: Bernie Jopson, Bronwyn Oakley, Fiona Williamson

Meeting Closed: 9.36 pm **Next Meeting 12 Nov 2025**

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